

## Sound Doctrine Concerning Same Sex Marriage

### 2 Timothy 3:1–5

**1** But know this, that in the last days perilous (hard to take, troublesome) times will come: **2** For men will be lovers of themselves (KJV their own selves), lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, **3** unloving (without natural affection), unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, **4** traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, **5** having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!

\* **LW – In our re-introduction I read 2 Tim 4:3...And I said, We are in those times...**

\* **We are also living in today's first 5 verses.**

\* **This week Supreme Court made same sex marriage legal in the United States**

\* **Spend some time fulfilling/vision verses of CCSG - Eph 4:12-15...Biblical Worldview**

1. They may be able to change what is legal, but they cannot change the Word of God

\* **Right is right/Wrong is wrong/Sin is sin – Based on what we consider the truth.**

\* **The Bible is the determiner of truth:**

**John 17:17 – (Jesus praying) Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.**

**Psalms 119:151 - You are near, O LORD, And all Your commandments are truth. (160)**

\* **Jesus is truth – John 14:6 – I am the way, the truth and the life.**

2. In redefining what is right/wrong/sin - They have forsaken their God ordained responsibility (it comes with accountability)

**Deuteronomy 16:18–20 - “You shall appoint judges and officers in all your gates, which the LORD your God gives you, according to your tribes, and they shall judge the people with just judgment. **19** You shall not pervert justice; you shall not show partiality, nor take a bribe, for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and twists the words of the righteous. **20** You shall follow what is altogether just, that you may live and inherit the land which the LORD your God is giving you.**

**Deuteronomy 1:16 - “Then I commanded your judges at that time, saying, ‘Hear the cases between your brethren, and judge righteously between a man and his brother or the stranger who is with him.**

\* **2 Chron 19:4-7 – Jehoshaphat establishing godly judges throughout the land**

3. Bible defines Marriage.

**Genesis 2:24-25 - Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.**

**Matthew 19:4–5 - And He (Jesus) answered and said to them, “Have you not read that He who made them at the beginning ‘made them male and female,’ **5** and said, ‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh’?”**

4. The Bible defines Homosexuality as a sin.

**Leviticus 18:22 - You shall not lie with a male as with a woman. It is an abomination.**

**Leviticus 20:13 - If a man lies with a male as he lies with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination...**

**Romans 1:18-27 – woman leaving natural; men leaving natural/burned lust...**

**1 Corinthians 6:9–10 (NKJV) — 9 Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators ( pornos/male prostitute), nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals (those submitting to homosexuals), nor sodomites (male homosexuals), 10 nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God.**

6. We cannot say we can be both practicing homosexuality & in fellowship with Jesus

**Matt 7:21-23 – depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness.**

**John 8:12 - Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, “I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life.” (John 3:18-21)**

**1 John 1:6 - If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.**

Christian Response:

1. Need to understand that the Bible told us this was going to happen:

\* **Jesus in Luke 17:22-30**

\* **Days of Noah – Gen 6:5-8**

\* **Days of Lot – Gen 19; Jude 7 (Sodomites)**

2. We must acknowledge that homosexuality and same sex marriage is sin.

3. Cannot justify (make right) homosexuality by the statement – “We were born that way.”

\* **We are all born with a sin nature!**

**Romans 5:12 - Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned—**

\* **That doesn’t make heterosexual immorality OK, nor stealing, lying, cheating OK.**

**1 John 5:17 - All unrighteousness is sin..., (and there is sin not leading to death.)**

4. We CAN judge homosexuality and same sex marriage as sin.

\* **Don’t fall for the out of context use of Matt 7:1-2! Rightly divide the word of God.**

\* **Have you not read: Matt 7:15-20, 1 Corin 2:15; 5:12**

**John 7:24 - Do not judge according to appearance, but judge with righteous judgment.”**

5. We can disagree and not be Prejudice, Haters & Condemners.

**John 8:10-11 – (Jesus) Accusers/No one condemn? Neither/I/condemn/Go/Sin no more!**

**Ezekiel 18:25-32 – God’s ways are not fair, Is it not sinful man’s ways that are not fair.**

6. Empathize/Acknowledge Heterosexual Immorality is a sin and a lot of other things!

\* **Gal 5:19-21**

\* **Eph 5:3-7**

\* **Rev 21:8**

7. We can/should love...and share the truth in love...because of our love and not hate –

\* **1 Corin 6:11 - And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.**

\* **Ephesians 5:8 - For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light**

8. Can/(Do!) welcome them into this church, into our lives & love them/way God loves them that they may find the love of God and his goodness shall lead them to repentance. (Rom 2:4)

**Romans 5:8 - But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.**

**John 13:35 - By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”**

\* **Eph 4:12-16 – speak the truth in love**

\* **2 Tim 2:24-26 – If homosexuality and same sex marriage is legalized, made not a sin by definition of man, they are buying into the lies & deception of satan because they will not be forgiven of their sin**

9. Jesus came to save us from our sins:

**Prov 14:12 -There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death.**

**Luke 5:32 – (Jesus) “...I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance.”**

**1 John 1:9 - If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

**John 8:24 - Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins.”**

**Romans 6:23 (NKJV) — 23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**John 3:16–17 - For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. 17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.**