



Dear Precious Friend,

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## **Working That Which Is Unseemly**

Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshiped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen. For this cause God gave them up to vile affections: for even their women changed the natural use into that

which is against nature. And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men **working that which is unseemly**, and receiving in themselves that recompense of their error which was meet. (*Rom.1:25-27*)

In Romans 1:27, God says homosexuality is **working unseemliness**. In the Greek text, unseemliness means a disfigurement (*aschemosune*) or a lack of form (*deformity*). It is like putting a square peg into a round hole. In Hebrew, it means an abomination. Homosexuality is a disfigurement that is an abomination. It is the wrong use of the private body parts that God created for His honor and to reflect His image.

In our day, many are falling headlong into this depravity while others are declaring, contrary to scripture, that homosexuality is acceptable and setting their seal of approval on same sex marriage. Even segments of the Church of Jesus Christ are crying out for tolerance toward same sex behavior. This is not rational. Why would God judge this sexual behavior so severely, declaring it a disfigurement and then suddenly justify it by giving homosexuals the legal right to marry, which in God's sight is union in the proper created order, between two bodies that perfectly fit! The truth is God never gave the right to a man and a man or a woman and a woman to become one in flesh. There is not one example in scripture of God's approval of such deformed sexual behavior. In fact there can never be true oneness in this wrong use of the body and spirit. God says that a MAN is to leave his mother and father and cleave to his WIFE (*heb.isha-woman*) and they are to become one flesh. Only a male and a female can become one flesh by using their body parts in the way they were designed with no disfigurement or shapelessness. God made us in His image and there is divine harmony, order and shape in that creation.

**Crossing gender lines provokes God's righteous indignation more than other sins for it strikes at His core as Creator and Image.**

And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness to the judgment of the great day. Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire. *Jude 1:6-7*

God gave those of such vile sexual passions over to a reprobate mind. This means a mind devoid of judgment. Only the mentally ill do things with their bodies, and with objects, that are completely irrational, and that don't fit with their proper created use. Do we put food into our nostrils or into our ears simply because there is an opening or just because it feels good? Food was made for the mouth because it's connected to the whole digestive system. We were fearfully and wonderfully made! A woman's genitalia was designed for a man's sexual organ and vice versa. There is a whole marvelous creative reproductive system that operates through this union. A man or woman's anus was designed to be part of the process of removing excrement from our human body. Only the mentally ill misuse their body parts and yet today many people, including some who call themselves followers of the Lord Jesus Christ, approve of this improper use of nature. Have we become so devoid of sound judgment that the Lord must instruct us in the basic principles of human anatomy???

As they did not **discern** to have God in their knowledge, God gave them up to an **undiscerning** (*reprobate*) mind. *Romans 1:28*

In the Greek text, reprobate (*adokimos*) also means a mind not approved of by God, even as homosexuals did not approve of God's mind. It is a play on words which Paul often did to make a stronger point in his epistles. It is a mind that cannot discern right from wrong, a terrible disease and judgment. God's word speaks of a day when men will call good evil and evil good. Beloved, that day has come upon us. Only God can heal those of a reprobate mind to receive the sound mind of Christ in order to live as true sons and daughters of the Creator.

Many would argue that homosexuals are born that way. I would agree that they are born as we are, in sin's grip. For this reason, they cannot change, even as we could not, without being born again. It is no different for a homosexual than for any other sinner. Therefore, do we as an individual or as a society approve of this behavior because they are not born again? Do we approve of liars, thieves or adulterers because they are not born again? Do we approve of slave and sex traffickers who are listed along with men that lie with men in I Tim 1:10? Of course not! We don't disfigure our society to accommodate a reprobate mind, but rather we protect those of a sound mind and we heal the others. We as believers cannot approve of those who have been taken captive by Satan to do His will, but rather we draw them to the Lord, speaking the truth in love and demonstrating it in our pure lifestyle.

But you, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost. Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to eternal life. And of some have compassion, making a difference: And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh. Now to him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy. To the only wise God our Savior, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen. *Jude 1:20-25*

For His Glory,

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