# What Does the Bible say about Homosexuality?



"I think the ship has sailed and I think that the church needs to just ... this is the world that we are living in and we need to affirm people wherever they are... I think it's time for the church to acknowledge that we have brothers and sisters who are gay and want to share their life with someone. This is a part of life in the modern world and that's how it is."

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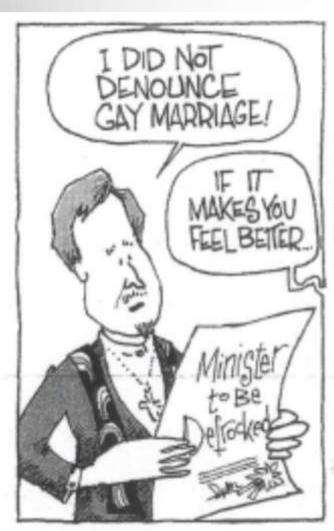
# Truth Love

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Genesis 2: 20...But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. 21 So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. 22 And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. 23 Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." 24 Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. 25 And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

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Romans 1:26 For this reason God gave them over to degrading passions; for their women, exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural, 27 and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error.





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Loving someone is not a sufficient reason to depart from God's commands.

# Love Means Ministering To Others.



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# Love Does Not Mean Condoning Sin.

## All of us need God's Love.