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Subject: Is Homosexuality Consistent with New Testament Obedience?

Family,

While it is long, I highly recommend the debate: "Is Homosexuality Consistent with New Testament Obedience?" https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8oV1bStOK3w

If you do anything, please listen to the opening comments by Michael Brown and James White starting at the 29 minute mark for 20 minutes.

Michael Brown, who knows Hebrew well, does a great job on Leviticus 19:18. He also expands on verse 17, which I have also done. I hope you can see his presentation is how real love is manifested.

One of my favorite verses is 1Co6:11, with "and such were some of you." James White defines this verse so clearly that I hope you can see in his exposition the magnificence of the Lord's grace. For obvious reasons I cling to this verse as it gives hope.

One of the joys that I hope you can share is how this debate was humorously referred to as "Brown and White" verses "Black and White". There were two sides that were polar opposites, but there was a cordial dialog. That is a great model. I lament that it is a rarity.

There seems to be a growing dialog about how the PCA is falling apart, how seminaries are abandoning the faith, and how the whole of institutional Christianity is weak to put it mildly. Recently I was engaged in some dialogs with a white racist and then a Roman Catholic who both offered a bit of Scripture and a lot of insults. But at least they offered Scripture. In one case it was easy to refute, in the other it took some effort. In both cases the Scripture is clear. This has become my habit that I most enjoy when it is face-to-face. To "earnestly contend for the faith", especially when the opposing side also wants the truth and not just to win, is a great joy and blessing.

Since there have been numerous years to study the Scripture recently, and all the more deeply, I now can rationally and lovingly contend on racism, Roman Catholicism, homosexuality, the definition of marriage, the institutional church, the tithe, the difference between contentious and contending, reconciliation and love. It is a great disappointment that there are so many in North Carolina that turn to the state rather than the Lord, call the police to shut me up on reconciliation, and plug their ears and hearts to the Lord's command to reconcile. But I press on.

I love you all!

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Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man.

Ecclesiastes 12:13