

Project Probe Ministries

Sex, Sexuality and Homosexuality: Engaging the Truth

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The Roots of Homosexuality

Introduction

If we were to peel back the veneer of homosexual conduct and behavior what would we find? An overwhelming amount of personal testimony, psychological profiles and studies would reveal a host of issues which stem from relational, emotional, and spiritual brokenness. Many of the issues are intangibles which over a period of time can be masked by external “perfections”. But when the roots of an individual’s life are poisoned and damaged, no amount of window dressing will resolve the deep issues of the heart and spirit. Homosexuality, like many other manifestations of our fallen world can best be understood and resolved when its roots and origins are carefully uncovered and repaired.



I. What about roots?

A root (in botany) is the generally unseen descending axis of a plant which provides via other sources the ingredients necessary to grow a plant’s fruit. Roots also serve to prevent soil erosion. Similarly, the unseen roots of homosexuality feed the actions, behavior (fruit) of homosexuality. These roots can also act as a prevention agent stifling the spiritual soil of the heart from being broken and receptive to the message of the Christ.

II. Where does homosexuality come from?

Is homosexuality genetic, biological or spiritual? Or is it a combination of the three?

- A. Although attempts have been made to prove that a so called “gay gene” exists, all of the studies have been largely inconclusive. Problems with methodology and predetermined agendas have shown such studies to be little more than social engineering tactics.
- B. Homosexual orientation versus homosexual behavior? Is there a difference and is it applicable in ministering to same sex attracted individuals?
- C. Does homosexuality have a clear spiritual rooting? If so, what do these roots look like?

III. How important is it to understand root issues in relation to homosexuality?

Wisdom is the principal thing, therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding (Proverbs 4:7) God is not the author of confusion, but of peace (1 Cor 14:33).

A Christian has no excuse for failing to seek understanding on the homosexual condition. Any hesitancy for Christians to appropriately understand will allow misguided theories to become embedded in the social and religious fabric of a society. Proper understanding and application also fosters holistic ministry without prejudicial judgment.