DOCTRINE OF HOMOSEXUALITY

- I. Vocabulary.
 - A. Hebrew: Un qadesh; noun; temple prostitutes, male cult prostitutes, sodomites. 1Kgs.14:24; 15:12; 22:46; 2Kgs.23:7
 - **B.** Greek: ἀρσενοκοίτης arsenokoites; noun; homosexuals. 1Cor.6:9; 1Tim.1:10
 - C. Other references are clear by examples illustrated in both the O.T. and N.T.
- **II.** Homosexuality is a sin. Gen.19:1-11; Lev.18:22; Rom.1:26,27; 1Cor.6:9; 1Tim.1:10; 2Pet.2:6 cf.Jud.7
 - **A.** As a phallic sin, the WOG labels it as abnormal perversion: Rom.1:26,27 "For this reason God gave them over to dishonorable passions; for their women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural (παρὰ φύσιν para phusin; lit. "against nature"), and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural use of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts (ἀσχημοσύνη aschemosune; lit. "shameful deed") and receiving back in their own persons the due penalty of their error (they reap the error of the homosexual lifestyle, e.g. AIDS)".
 - **B.** It was the principal sin that led to the violent and total annihilation of prosperous Sodom and Gomorrah. Gen.13:13; 18:20 cf.19:1-11; Jud.7
 - 1. This once fertile area (Gen.13:10) has remained a blighted, barren, uninhabited, dry, denuded and hot desert as a warning to all that would practice their perversion. 2Pet.2:6, "He condemned the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah to destruction by reducing them to ashes, having made them an example to those who would live ungodly thereafter."
 - **2.** From this historical precedent and incident came the term "sodomite" (1Kgs.22:46), and the legal term to describe this activity is sodomy.
- III. It was prohibited under the Mosaic Law. Lev.18:22, "You shall not lie with a male as one lies with a female; it is an abomination" (i.e. it is especially disgusting. Remember that when you see thousands of deviates marching in cities during Gay Pride Week!).
 - **A.** The criminal penalty was capital punishment. Lev.20:13 "If there is a man who lies with a man as those who lie with a woman, both of them have committed a detestable act; they shall surely be put to death. Their blood guiltiness is upon them."
 - **B.** Certain kings of Israel are remembered for shutting down the houses of the male sodomites.
 - **1.** Asa. 1Kgs.15:11,12; cp. 14:24.
 - 2. Jehoshaphat. 1Kgs.22:45,46.
 - **3.** Josiah. 2Kgs.23:7.
 - **4.** Compare these reformers' acts with Deu.23:17 that addresses both female and male cultic prostitution.

- An abiding value of the Mosaic Law is to implement its moral laws as civil instruction and enforcement that includes teaching that homosexuality is a crime punishable by death. Cp.1Tim.1:8-10 "But we know that the Law is good, if one uses it lawfully, realizing the fact that law is not made for a righteous man but for those who are...homosexuals (avrsenokoi, thj arsenokoites)...and whatever else is contrary to sound teaching."
 - **A.** We live in an era when society is programmed to consider this perversion acceptable, normal, and non-criminal.
 - **B.** A part of sound teaching is to point out that this perversion is the same evil, before God, as it ever was.
- V. It is listed as gross immorality and the royal chain of command is to expel any believer practicing this sin. 1Cor.5:4-13
- **VI.** Homosexuality is a sin for which there is forgiveness. Mar.3:28.
 - **A.** Christ died for all sins.
 - **B.** The homosexual therefore can be saved. 1Cor.6:9-11.
 - C. The believer that practices this STA vice loses SG₃ (reward in eternity a.k.a. "inheriting"), not salvation. 1Cor.6:9,10.
- **VII.** A part of God's posture against this activity is disease.
 - **A.** Rom.1:27b "receiving back in their own persons the due penalty of their error".
 - **B.** Historically God has judged phallic carnality through social diseases (VD).
 - C. The current epidemic of AIDS among the homosexual population is proof of this.
 - **D.** Principle: "God is not mocked" (i.e. with success).
- VIII. Homosexuality and the last days. E.g., 2Pet.2; Jude.
 - **A.** Enoch first prophesied of false teachers that would advocate this evil as normal, Jud.4,7,12-16; 2Pet.2:1,6.
 - **B.** God is especially out to get them. 2Pet.2:10.
 - **C.** The perverted phallic crowd is described as indulging in "gross immorality" and "going after strange flesh" in Jud.7.
 - **D.** They distort grace into lasciviousness. Jud.4 (e.g., gay so-called churches).
 - **E.** These people are described as dreamers that "defile the flesh (promote phallic reversionism by teaching the new morality, gay rights, lesbian rights) and reject authority (e.g., womens' lib, NAMBLA) and (lit.) blaspheme glories (reject divine essence, creation, angels, hypostatic union, resurrection, SG₃, etc.)". Jud.8; 2Pet.2:10,11.
 - **F.** They flatter and encourage one another in evil. Jud.16; cp. Rom.1:32
 - **G.** Their practice today is seen in the media pitting a pervert against an establishment minded person on some talk shows.
 - **H.** Their judgment:
 - 1. Preceded them. 2Pet.2:3.

- 2. Is not idle (unnecessarily delayed) nor asleep (unnoticed by God). 2Pet.2:3.
- **3.** Is like that of animals led to slaughter (those in America are in the trap of nuclear annihilation). 2Pet.2:12.
- **4.** Will be with fire. 2Pet.2:6.
- **5.** Will not include believers. 2Pet.2:6-9.
- **6.** Has a precedent; the angels of Gen.6, the flood generation, the inhabitants of Sodom and Gomorrah, and the Exodus generation. 2Pet.2:4-6; Jud.5-7
- **I.** The holy angels do not engage in a verbal rebuke of Satan but say "*The Lord rebuke you*". Cp.Jud.9,10 cf.2Pet.2:11
- **J.** We should refrain from verbal attacks and faith-rest them to God's discipline.

IX. Conclusion.

- **A.** Homosexuality (including lesbianism) is a sin, a criminal offense, and an abnormal sexual activity.
- **B.** Divine judgment is seen in disease, authorization for government to administer the death penalty, and the overthrow of whole segments of the human race (societies and nations).
- **C.** Homosexuality and a society's acceptance of it is a major sign that the fifth cycle is near. Lev.26
- **D.** Practically every segment of American society is pro-sodomy (the NEA [National Education Assoc.], entertainment world, courts, adoption agencies, clergy, women's lib, government via its anti-discrimination policy with respect to hiring, military, etc.).
- **E.** The practitioners and promoters of this evil seek to exploit you with false statements. Pet.2:3
- **F.** Stay with what the WOG says on this subject (no matter what some sexologist, doctor, lawyer, talk show host or sodomite says).
- **G.** Remember the exhortation of Jud.17-25 as you await the Lord's return, and take every thought captive for obedience to Christ. Cp.2Cor.10:5