

X. We Should Care More About Love and Less About Sex

Attacking the Sexual Ethic of Scripture

A. Progressive

1. When it comes to sex in general or sexual orientation specifically, it's important to demonstrate understanding and affirmation rather than passing judgment
2. Justifying Sexual Sin (5 steps)
 - a) Teach the moral virtues of those who are in sexual sin
 - b) Insist that God has "bigger" things to concern Himself with
 - c) Show the disputed sexual behavior leads to positive results (overall)
 - d) Portray those who stand against such behavior as narrow - cold - harsh - unsympathetic, etc.
 - e) Insist that Jesus is on your side (i.e. . . .)
 - (1) Woman caught in adultery
 - (2) Woman at the well
 - (3) Tax collectors and sinners

B. Biblical Perspective

1. God defines love and gives the context for sex . . .
 - a) Genesis 1:28, 2:18, 23-24
 - b) 1 Corinthians 7:32-34
 - c) Hebrews 13:4
2. Prohibition against the misuse of sex
 - a) Leviticus 18:6-23
 - b) 1 Corinthians 6:12-20
3. This is the standard and it does not change

XI. Life in This World is More Important Than the Life to Come

Minimize the Afterlife

A. Progressive

1. Do not deny the afterlife, but put the stress on this life
2. Functionally, they are Universalists (many)
3. Many deny that a literal Hell exists (Hell on earth)

B. Biblical Perspective

1. Places great stress on the life to come
 - a) Philippians 3:20
 - b) 1 Chronicles 29:15
 - c) 2 Corinthians 5:1-10
 - d) Philippians 1:21
2. Only those who trust in Christ will be saved
 - a) John 14:16
 - b) Acts 4:12
 - c) John 3:36
3. Hell is real
 - a) John 3:17-18
 - b) 2 Thessalonians 1:7b-8
 - c) Revelation 21:6-8