



Arlington Church of Christ

*"The churches of Christ greet you."
Romans 16:16*

Homosexuality

ELDERS

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Sunday Bible Classes.....9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.*

Sunday Worship.....5:00 p.m.

Wednesday Class.....7:00 p.m.

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Who did Elisha heal of his leprosy by having him dip in the Jordan river seven times?

It doesn't seem that long ago when the subject of homosexuality was looked upon as against the Bible's teaching and a perversion of His intention for the family, and yet society has now done a complete reversal in the fact that most of our citizens now accept and approve of homosexual marriage and the Supreme Court has ruled that they must be 'recognized' as legitimate. We are told that the homosexuals (no, I will not call them 'gay' – but rather what they are) are just people that we Christians must accept and deal with in daily living. To object to their lifestyle is called hypocritical, or bigoted – after all they say, aren't there sinners like gossips, gluttons, liars, and greedy persons in our congregations. And didn't Jesus say in *John 8:7* "If any one of you is without sin, let him be the first to throw a stone..." and aren't we are told to "Love our neighbor as ourselves".

So some Christians begin to cave and say that we should accept homosexuals without requiring that they repent and change as the scriptures say. Perhaps it is because they think of their own life and realize that they haven't really changed much themselves, so how can they demand it of others? But the Bible is clear in its identification of homosexuality as sin - *Lev 18:22* "Do not lie with a man as one lies with a woman; that is detestable." Or in *Rom 1:26-27* "Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged natural relations for unnatural ones. In the same way the men also abandoned natural relations with women and were inflamed with lust for one another. Men committed indecent acts with other men, and received in themselves the due penalty for their perversion."

If we are to 'love our neighbor', we cannot let a neighbor go to hell without making the effort to point out sin. We are called to be salt and light. Salt stops the spread of the spoilage of perversion and light shows the truth of how things really are, not how people think they ought to be. Jesus can forgive and change anyone - *1 Cor 6:9-11* "Do you not know that the wicked will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers nor male prostitutes nor homosexual offenders nor thieves nor the greedy nor drunkards nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. And that is what some of you were. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God."

This sin is called detestable in God's sight, a perversion –It is a sin that called for the death penalty in the Law of Moses and it is a sin that will keep people out of heaven and cause them to spend eternity in hell. If we are to be the people that God wants us to be – to be his ambassadors to a lost world – we must teach all his word teaches - *Col 1:28* "We proclaim him, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone perfect in Christ." We must speak the truth regardless of what society or what 5 of 9 people in black robes playing God have decided about homosexuality.

PRAYER LIST

BIRTHDAYS

*See the caring cards list in the lobby

BUT THE
FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT
IS **LOVE**
joy PEACE
patience
KINDNESS
GOODNESS
faithfulness
GENTLENESS
SELF-CONTROL
GALATIANS 5:22-23

*"The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much."
James 5:16*

8/23 Ashley Williams
9/10 Cathy Gordon
9/11 Cliff Jacobs
9/19 Jeff Nauman
9/30 Kyra Manske

*"For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst."
Matt 18:20*

UPCOMING EVENTS

ANNIVERSARIES

9/3 Sack Sunday (bring donations for pantry)
9/8 Ladies' Class on 2nd Fridays (see Cathy for location)

9/2 Walker & Renee Slater
9/3 John & Terri Bauer

MEN TO SERVE

8/13

8/20

SCRIPTURE READING

Sermon AM/PM	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum
Announcements	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman
Song Leader AM	Jeff McCollum	Jeff McCollum
Song Leader PM	John Bauer	John Bauer
Opening Prayer AM	Jeff McCollum	Joe McCollum
Opening Prayer PM	John Bauer	Ron Hartman
Lord's Table	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman
Assistant #1	Del Pickett	Matt Williams
Closing Prayer AM	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman
Closing Prayer PM	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum
Greeters	Joe & Doris McCollum	John & Terri Bauer
(Wed.) Devotional	(8/16) Jeff McCollum	(8/23) Mike Menard
(Wed.) Song Leader	(8/16) John Bauer	(8/23) Jeff McCollum

	AM	PM
Aug. 13	Ps. 96-98	Rom. 12
Aug. 14	Ps. 99-102	Rom. 13
Aug. 15	Ps. 103, 104	Rom. 14
Aug. 16	Ps. 105, 106	Rom. 15:1-20
Aug. 17	Ps. 107, 108	Rom. 15:21-33
Aug. 18	Ps. 109-111	Rom. 16
Aug. 19	Ps. 112-115	1Cor. 1

*"Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"
Luke 11:28*

PANTRY NEEDS

TRIVIA ANSWER

Over the counter medicines/aspirin	Canned meats— fish, chicken & SPAM
Laundry detergent	Canned Veggies— all kinds
Face soap & Shampoo	Breakfast Cereal
Toilet Tissue & Paper Towels	Fruit Juice— apple, grape, pineapple, etc.
Boxed Potatoes	Peanut butter and Jelly
Small- Flour and Sugar	

A: Naaman, the Syrian general