

God's Plan for the Family Does Not Include Homosexuality
(Psalm 127:1)

Introduction:

1. This morning we pointed out from the Scriptures that "God has a plan for the family."
2. A very important principle to keep in mind is revealed in Psalm 127:1a -- "unless we follow the Lord's plan for all that we do, we are wasting our time."
3. This evening we are pointing out from the Scriptures that "God's plan for the family does not include homosexuality."
4. Let us begin our study by showing that . . .

Discussion:

- I. GOD'S PLAN DID NOT INCLUDE HOMOSEXUALITY WHEN HE REVEALED HIS WILL CONCERNING MARRIAGE AT CREATION
 - A. God made Adam and Eve on the 6th day (Genesis 1:26-28; 2:7, 21-22).
 - B. God ordained marriage for a man and a woman (Genesis 2:24).
 - C. God's plan for marriage has not changed (Matthew 19:4-6; Ephesians 5:31).
- II. GOD'S PLAN DID NOT INCLUDE HOMOSEXUALITY DURING THE TIME OF THE PATRIARCHS
 - A. (Genesis 12:1-3) God chose Abraham to be the father of His chosen people [the Israelites].
 - B. The Gentiles had become so wicked that God gave them up (Romans 1:18-32).
 - C. Homosexuality was one of the sins practiced by the Gentiles (Romans 1:26-27).
 - D. The destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah illustrates the wickedness of the Gentiles.
 1. The people of Sodom were wicked when Lot moved there (Genesis 13:13).
 2. Later, the Lord inspected the wickedness of Sodom (Genesis 18:20-21).
 3. Two angels discovered how wicked Sodom was (Genesis 19:1-14).
 4. The Lord destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah (Genesis 19:24-25).
 5. This horrible event is also mentioned in Jude 7 for our benefit.
- III. GOD'S PLAN DID NOT INCLUDE HOMOSEXUALITY WHEN THE LAW OF MOSES WAS IN EFFECT
 - A. The law prohibited homosexuality (Leviticus 20:13; Deuteronomy 23:17).
 - B. Even though the law was very clear, Judah's kings responded to it differently.
 1. Rehoboam disobeyed by allowing sodomites to exist (1 Kings 14:21-24).
 2. The sodomites were expelled by Judah's good kings, including:
 - a. Asa (1 Kings 15:11-12)
 - b. Jehoshaphat (1 Kings 22:45-46)
 - c. Josiah (2 Kings 23:7).
 3. The presence of sodomites was an indication of Judah's moral condition.
- IV. GOD'S PLAN DOES NOT INCLUDE HOMOSEXUALITY IN THE CHRISTIAN AGE
 - A. "Fornication" [illicit sexual activity, including homosexuality] is a work of the flesh that will prevent a person from inheriting God's kingdom (Galatians 5:19-21).
 - B. Homosexuals will not inherit God's kingdom (1 Corinthians 6:9-10).
 - C. Thankfully, forgiveness is available (1 Corinthians 6:11; Acts 18:8).

Conclusion:

1. The Lord's plan for the family has been under attack for a long time.
2. Let us remember the admonition given in Psalm 127:1a.