The Word of God regarding the LGBT Movement Originally written 3/26/2017 and last updated 11/22/2023

Before we get into passages from the Word of God relevant to the LGBT movement, let me state that God offers salvation to ALL who repent of their sins, that is to turn permanently from them and trust Him as their Savior. Jesus Christ shed His blood on the cross at Calvary that there might be forgiveness for ALL sins. There is no sin that God cannot forgive if the person confesses that sin and genuinely turns from it. Jesus, the Great Creator knows each struggling individual personally.

However, there is NO grace that covers sins **that one holds on to**, especially if one lives a lifestyle that involves something that is an abomination to God, While God loves the sinner, He hates sin; if the sinner cannot be separated from their sin, they will bear the consequences for "the deeds done while in the flesh" (2 Corinthians 5:10).

Why is it important to know what is an abomination in God's sight? Those who plan to make it through the soon coming time of trouble, who wish to be sealed, MUST be able to tell the difference between good and evil. They must have discernment. They must hold onto the words of the Creator, his testimony. They must know and obey the commandments of God. They are the ones who turn from sin and have a clean record book before the LORD. They sigh and cry (which means to grieve and lament) over the sins, the abominations of the world, our nation, our states, cities, and even in churches today.

Ezekiel 9 provides details on this sealing or marking process of God's people. Those who are not sealed will lose their lives in the soon coming tribulation. They will **not** be protected by God's angels, nor will they be in heaven.¹

Ezekiel 9:4 KJV

And the LORD said unto him [the man with the marking device], Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and SET A MARK UPON THE FOREHEADS of the men that SIGH AND THAT CRY for all the ABOMINATIONS that be done in the midst thereof.

Only God defines what is an ABOMINATION, not humans nor angels; He alone is the Judge in the end. He is the Creator. His world. His rules. You want to live forever? Then you have to play by His rules.

There are a number of behaviors and attitudes that God considers to be ABOMINATIONS, and among them is SEXUAL IMMORALITY, both of the heterosexual and homosexual type. Without lessening the sinful nature of adultery, this study focuses on the LGBT movement and the Word of God, so that will be what most of our verses relate to.

¹ How important is God's protection? When the nuclear bomb exploded over Hiroshima, between 70,000 - 140,000 people died, and a higher number were injured. I've been to the atomic bomb dome and the Hiroshima Peace Park three times. Yet of God's small church of ~20 commandment keeping people, none died or were even injured, even those 1km away from the blast site. A nuclear blast has no power over God and His will. <u>https://adventistreview.org/the-hiroshima-miracle/</u>

Most of us are familiar with the story of Sodom and Gomorrah. Rampant sexual perversions were common in these ancient cities of the plain² along with the wicked treatment of the poor and travelers passing through.³

When the two angels appearing as men went into Sodom, Lot greeted them and invited them to his home. Later his home was surrounded by a number of the wicked men of the city.

Genesis 19:5-7

And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where are the men which came in to thee this night? bring them out unto us, that WE MAY KNOW THEM [have sex with them]. And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him, And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so WICKEDLY.

The prolific author, Ellen White puts the condition this way:

"In Sodom there was mirth and revelry, feasting and drunkenness. The vilest and most brutal passions were unrestrained. The people openly defied God and His law and delighted in deeds of violence. Though they had before them the example of the antediluvian world, and knew how the wrath of God had been manifested in their destruction, yet they followed the same course of wickedness." {White, *Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 157}

God poured fire and brimstone (burning sulfur) upon the cities of the plain turning them to ash as a sign or example to the world (see 2 Peter 2:6 and Jude 1:7). [I have several sulfur balls from Gomorrah which is the gray area right below Masada.]⁴ Why has not the world learned its lesson?⁵ Because it has chosen to remain willfully blind to the evidence.

² Book of Jasher 18:11-14 In those days all the people of Sodom and Gomorrah, and of the whole five cities, were exceedingly wicked and sinful against the Lord and they provoked the Lord with their abominations, and they strengthened in aging [time] abominably and scornfully before the Lord, and their wickedness and crimes were in those days great before the Lord. ¹² And they had in their land a very extensive valley, about half a day's walk, and in it there were fountains of water and a great deal of herbage surrounding the water. ¹³ And all the people of Sodom and Gomorrah went there four times in the year, with their wives and children and all belonging to them, and they rejoiced there with timbrels and dances. ¹⁴ And in the time of rejoicing they would all rise and lay hold of their neighbor's wives, and some, the virgin daughters of their neighbors, and they enjoyed them, and each man saw his wife and daughter in the hands of his neighbor and did not say a word. ¹⁵ And they did so from morning to night, and they afterward returned home each man to his house and each woman to her tent; so they always did four times in the year. <u>https://www.sacred-texts.com/chr/apo/jasher/18.htm</u>

³ https://www.sacred-texts.com/chr/apo/jasher/19.htm as well as the above link.

⁴ https://www.holylandsite.com/sodom-gomorrah

⁵ Jude 7 ...as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities around them in a similar manner to these, having given themselves over to sexual immorality and gone after strange flesh, are set forth as an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

God through His angel and then to Moses made clear His laws:

Leviticus 18:22

Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is ABOMINATION.

Leviticus 20:13

If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an ABOMINATION: **they shall surely be put to death**; their blood shall be upon them.

Deuteronomy 22:5

The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are ABOMINATION unto the LORD thy God.

The story of Sodom and Gomorrah was not unique. A similar incident happened in Israel in Gibeah of Benjamin. The book of Judges chapters 19 and 20 relate the story of a Levite and his concubine (common-law-wife) who were returning to his town and had to stay overnight in Gibeah a town belonging to the tribe of Benjamin. While receiving lodging from a kindly old man, the house was surrounded by wicked men.

Judges 19:22

Now as they were making their hearts merry, behold, the men of the city, certain sons of Belial [the devil], beset the house round about, and beat at the door, and spake to the master of the house, the old man, saying, Bring forth the man that came into thine house, THAT WE MAY KNOW HIM [have sex with him].

When you read the complete story in Judge 19 and 20, one will find that as a result of the sin committed by the men of that town that night, nearly the entire tribe of Benjamin was wiped out. Why? Rather than reproving the men of the town, the rest of the tribe supported these wicked people and suffered a common destruction. Unrebuked open sin becomes corporate sin with corporate consequences.

There are a number of other texts on sodomites (male homosexual prostitutes)⁶ and other abominations in the Old Testament, but in the interest of time, let's move to the New Testament, to see if there is any lessening of the consequences of people who do these types of behaviors.

Mark 7:20-22

And [Jesus] said, That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man. For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, ADULTERIES, FORNICATIONS, murders, thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness:

Romans 1:26-27,32

For this cause God gave them up unto VILE AFFECTIONS: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: and likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in

⁶ See the verses in the addendum section of this document.

themselves that recompence of their error which was meet. ... who knowing the judgment of God, that **they which commit such things are worthy of death**, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

Note carefully that both the do-ers and supporters are under a common condemnation.

1 Corinthians 6:9

Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither FORNICATORS, nor idolaters, nor ADULTERERS, NOR **EFFEMINATE**, NOR ABUSERS OF THEMSELVES WITH MANKIND,

1 Timothy 1:9-10

Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, For WHOREMONGERS, FOR THEM THAT DEFILE THEMSELVES WITH MANKIND, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine;

ABUSERS OF THEMSELVES WITH MANKIND = THEM THAT DEFILE THEMSELVES WITH MANKIND = homosexual. Whoremonger: a person who has dealings with prostitutes, especially a sexually promiscuous man. Menstealers: kidnappers; whether for ransom, for physical or sexual slavery, human trafficking or other.

While there are more texts, these should be clear. In Revelation, Jesus gives a partial list of those who will and won't be in the New Jerusalem. Notice the continuity:

Revelation 21:7-8, 27 NKJV

He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son. But the cowardly, unbelieving, ABOMINABLE, murderers, SEXUALLY IMMORAL, sorcerers, idolaters, and ALL LIARS shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death." ²⁷ But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or CAUSES AN ABOMINATION OR A LIE, but only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

Revelation 22:12-15 KJV

And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. BLESSED ARE THEY THAT DO HIS COMMANDMENTS, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city. For without [outside] are the DOGS,⁷ and sorcerers, and WHOREMONGERS, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

⁷ Update: While most Bible versions maintain the translation of the Greek as dogs, researching most likely what the angel means by the term "dog" suggests that it is a derogatory term for homosexual (as the Complete Jewish Bible renders it - <u>https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Revelation%2022:14-16&version=CJB</u>), a male who receives it "doggie" style. It thus encompasses sodomites as found in KJV: Deuteronomy 23:17, 1 Kings 14:24, 1 Kings 15:12, 1 Kings 22:46, 2 Kings 23:7; and NKJV 1 Corinthians 6:9, 1 Timothy 1:10). See Appendix A for details.

Through the demonic influence of the powers of darkness, the behaviors of the LGBTQ movement have been pushed onto the minds and lives of people around the world, but especially in what is known as the West.

God's position has not changed. But what has become "politically correct" and acceptable in much of the modern world IS STILL AN ABOMINATION in His sight.

The behaviors the LGBT movement defends and promotes stand in direct opposition to the Word of God as quoted above and thus are not from God but from His adversary, Satan. Let's look at what the initials LGBT stands for and how the Word of God characterizes it:

LG (lesbian or gay)

If a person has sexual relations with a person of their same gender (homosexuality), it is choice, it is an abomination to the Lord.

B (bisexual)

A person who has sexual relationships with both genders sins in both areas: The samesex encounters (homosexuality) are an abomination to the Lord. The non-marital heterosexual encounters are adultery or fornication which are abominations to the Lord.

God considers a person's gender to be fixed shortly after conception as the fertilized egg differentiates into male or female (that is whether they have the XY or YY chromosome). He knows them **in the womb** (see Jeremiah 1:5). Regardless of whether a person "believes" themself to be or choose to identify with the opposite gender, etc., God holds them accountable to act in accordance with their chromosomes (which is essentially their birth gender). Regardless whether a person undergoes a gender change operation, from God's perspective their gender remains unchanged. Surgery does not change the XY or YY chromosomes. Thus, if they have sexual relations with a person of their original gender (same chromosome), it is a homosexual act and an abomination to the Lord.

T (Transgender or Transvestite)

If a transgender person wears the clothing of the other gender or appears as the other gender, it is an abomination to the Lord.

Males who are effeminate, acting and dressing like women will not inherit the kingdom of God. As has been said, "you can put lipstick on a pig, but it's still a pig." ⁸ Cosmetics don't change the chromosomes.

Women who wear men's clothing or the style of men's clothing are also an abomination to the Lord. Let's dig deeper into that frequently overlooked command of the Lord.

Quoting Deuteronomy 22:5 from earlier:

"A woman shall not wear anything that pertains to a man, nor shall a man put on a woman's garment, for all who do so are an ABOMINATION to the Lord your God.

⁸ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lipstick on a pig

In the book, *Creeping Compromise*, by Joe Crews, he quotes from a vision given to God's messenger Ellen White:

"I was referred to Deuteronomy 22:5: 'The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman' s garment, for all that do so are an abomination unto the Lord thy God.' ... There is an increasing tendency to have women in their dress and appearance as near like the other sex as possible, and to fashion their dress very much like that of men, but God pronounces it abomination." *Testimonies, Vol. 1*, p. 457.

Crews continues:

"Please notice that she called it abomination for women to fashion their dress much like that of men. So the issue for us is no longer whether the clothes are actually those of the opposite sex. They might be created for one sex only, but be fashioned like the opposite sex. Thus the influence could be to push the bisexuals or fringe homosexuals over the line into the confirmed camp."

While effeminate attire, makeup and jewelry on a male is obvious, what is less obvious though just as important is God's prohibition on a woman wearing men's style of clothing. Suits with ties is the most obvious one, men's style shoes or wearing short, or the short "Butch" style haircuts often favored by the male-like partner in a lesbian relationship or those with male-like tendencies. ⁹

I cannot speak to whether or not pants worn by themselves fall into male-like attire though more conservative churches and culture prohibit their women from wearing pants at least without a dress or skirt over the top. Again, God's directive is that individuals be distinctly male and female in their attire and roles or functions. In part, it is the blurring of the line between distinctly male and female attire and functions, firstly in the home, then in the church, school and society that is contributing to gender confusion in children. And Satan can easily capitalize on that.

As we read earlier, in 1 Corinthians 6:9, among the list of the unrighteous that **shall not inherit** the kingdom of God are the effeminate and homosexuals. God wants to strongly differentiate between male and female! See Leviticus 12:1-8, and the book of the Law and the Testimony 3:9-14 quoted in the footnote below. ¹⁰

⁹ An "androgynous haircut is a gender-neutral cut, having both masculine and feminine looks to it." ¹⁰ Law and the Testimony 3:9-14 And after Adam had completed forty days in the land where he had been created¹⁰, we brought him into the Garden of Eden to till and keep it, but his wife they brought in on the eightieth day, and after this she entered into the Garden of Eden. ¹⁰ And for this reason the commandment is written on the heavenly tablets in regard to her that gives birth: 'if she bears a male, she shall remain in her uncleanness seven days according to the first week of days, and thirty and three days shall she remain in the blood of her purifying, and she shall not touch any hallowed thing, nor enter into the sanctuary, until she accomplishes these days which (are enjoined) in the case of a male child. ¹¹ But in the case of a female child she shall remain in her uncleanness two weeks of days, according to the first two weeks, and sixty-six days in the blood of her purification, and they will be in all eighty days.' ¹² And when she had completed these eighty days, we brought her into the Garden of Eden, for it is holier than all the earth besides and every tree that is planted in it is holy. ¹³ Therefore, there was ordained regarding her who bears a male or a female child the statute of those days that she should touch no hallowed thing, nor enter into the sanctuary until these days for the male or female child are accomplished. ¹⁴ This is <u>the law and testimony</u> which was written down for Israel, in order that they should observe (it) all the days.

Those who undergoes a "sex change" operation, then wear the clothes of their new gender and engage in sexual relations with individuals of their birth gender sin two-fold.

Satan works through activist "mental health", medical and legal professionals and others to convince participants in the LGBT movement that they cannot change, that it is wrong to change, that their condition is intrinsic to them, that they would be denying themselves. The prince of evil does what he can to outlaw the "rescuing" of homosexuals. And so, he works to bind these in chains of sin.

Let's also address those in the "medical" or mental health fields including organizations such as the American Medical Association, the American Pediatric Association, psychologists, psychiatrists, counselors, surgeons and others who have come out in favor of gender transitions as way to deal with gender dysphoria.¹¹ Children, teens and adults who have gender dysphoria by the nature of these conditions have mental health issues caused by a variety of factors that often leads to demonic harassment or possession. This condition may stem from neglect or violence of some form (verbal, sexual, emotional, physical, psychological) from within the home, school or social settings. There is no mystery as to why these individuals are depressed, suicidal and often become verbally or physically violent to those who question or oppose their lifestyle choices. These are often prone to other addictions, self-destructive behaviors, all in the quest to find inner peace. But inner peace does not come from gender transition, but rather by forgiveness and the expelling of that spirit in the name of Jesus Christ, the Great Healer.

If you are helping or supporting what God calls an abomination, then you are deluded and like Sodom and Gibeah/Benjamin of old, become share in the responsibility for that sinful act. You are sinning and will be held accountable.

Jesus warned:

Matthew 18:6

"But whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were drowned in the depth of the sea.

In the Hebrew understanding, a child reaches the age of accountability at the age of 13. Children under that age are considered to be among the innocents, and the sins of that child are attributed to the adults in their lives, mostly their parents, but it can also be their teachers, doctors, librarians, book authors, drag queens, a pedophile, a molester (often a relative), movie and book producers, those who influence their behavior, etc.

Those who contribute to that child's gender dysphoria, **will be held accountable** by God. As Jesus said, "it would be better for that person if a millstone were hung around his or her neck, and they were drowned in the depth of the sea."

Why? Jesus was saying, "It is better to die or commit suicide than be cast into the lake of fire where you will be punished for all the deeds you influenced or caused others to sin in addition to your own sins."

¹¹ <u>https://www.facebook.com/reel/2003970386608814</u>

Those who are part of or support the LGBT movement either commit or influence the committing of sexual immorality. Unless they repent (turn permanently from their sinful lifestyle) and make restitution as much as they are capable, they will not be saved. How can they sigh and cry, grieve and lament over these sins when they support or acquiesce to the behavior?

It takes time, usually weeks, to develop a good habit, to develop a skill. On the other hand, negative habits seem to form almost instantaneously. Why? Because from a spiritual sense, the powers of darkness watch for susceptible individuals. When they sense a curiosity, a questioning mind, they immediately capitalize on this curiosity and begin convincing the person that they are that way. A thought, a curiosity, an exploration, combined with repetitive thought implantation from dark angels leads the person to their first sinful action. And then the second, the third and so on, until it becomes engrained in the person's psyche.

James 1:14-15 But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.

Society calls this an addiction, but in reality it is a possession by the spirits of that issue. Once the person has "given in," the dark angels have nearly full power and control over that person. That person begins to hate what is good, to hate those who would correct or stop them, and begins to justify and promote their behavior and lifestyle to others. Rather than using reason to justify their positions, they use feelings, emotions, verbal abuse including false accusations¹² and profanity, and political power to enforce their will.

There are those who are more susceptible to the temptation of the LGBT movement, the young, the hurting, victims of abuse or neglect (which is a form of abuse), those born in divided families or families in which proper gender roles are not patterned for them, those who numb their minds with alcohol or drugs and those who are surrounded by glamour-type women (by beholding we become changed).

Right-brain dominant males may think they are homosexual when they are just relationship-oriented creative emotional thinkers. Males with low testosterone levels may question their sexuality. The media and entertainment industry defends evil, displays and portrays these abominations to viewers subconsciously and/or willfully influencing their minds. Viewers are tempted and many succumb, if not to the behavior, then to the acceptance of the behavior. Through repetitive exposure, the sin becomes less sinful in viewers' eyes. Momentum is gained. Satan delights in those who join his cause. They are ensnared, enslaved to a very sad end.

But it need not end that way. There is hope in Jesus Christ and His blood shed on the cross at Calvary.

The **only thing that guarantees our future salvation**, that is our transformation from beings of mortality into immortality, is the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

¹² "Accuse the other side of that which you are guilty of." Joseph Goebbels, chief propagandist for the Third Reich of Nazi Germany. This is demonic and no liars will be in heaven.

Ephesians 4:30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, **with whom you were sealed** for the day of redemption.

Ephesians 1:13-14 When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is **a DEPOSIT guaranteeing our inheritance** until the redemption of those who are God's possession.

How can the Holy Spirit dwell in a person who at the same time has the spirit of an abomination living in them? The Holy Spirit can certainly work on that person's heart and mind wooing them to Jesus, but He cannot dwell in a mind or heart that is already occupied.

HOW TO OVERCOME

Those who are participate in the LGBT community or movement CAN be freed from their enslavement. Jesus, our Great Creator knows everyone personally. Jesus reaches out to them, calling them away from their lifestyle of sin. I have seen and participated in healings a number of times, demons cast out, the lame able to walk, the mute having their voice restored to them. God is still powerful to save!

1. The first step is to realize that THIS IS A SPIRITUAL BATTLE, a battle between Jesus and His adversary Satan. A battle over one's soul and eternal destiny. **One cannot overcome sin on their own. It must come from God.** He's the only one that can deliver a person from the powers of darkness. ONLY GOD CAN REMOVE THE SPIRITS of homosexuality, gender confusion, effeminism, adultery, lust, unforgiveness, bitterness, anger, resentment, etc.

2. The person must DEDICATE THEIR LIVES TO GOD, CLAIMING JESUS AS THEIR SAVIOUR AND LORD confessing their sins and asking for forgiveness.

3. They need to FORGIVE those who have done them harm or evil by intent or neglect: parents, family, a relative, a teacher, a church member, a friend, whoever. They must ASK for the Holy Spirit to assist in remembering who they need to forgive and forgive those completely.

4. The person must IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST AND THE POWER OF HIS SHED BLOOD REBUKE the spirits of the issues they are struggling with. Others may assist him or her with this. One should say,

"In the name of Jesus Christ whose blood was shed for all that will believe in Him and have everlasting life, I command you spirit of ______ to say not a word but depart and never return to me." or

"In the name of Jesus Christ and the power of His blood shed on the cross of Calvary, I command you spirit of ______ to depart this man/woman and never come back!"

As a believer in Jesus Christ, proclaiming Jesus' name and the blood that Jesus shed is the key to what must be spoken. Additionally, prayers to the heavenly Father are to be prayed in the most powerful name in the universe, the precious name of Jesus.

5. They must BELIEVE that God will answer their prayer. Do some act of faith that demonstrates your belief that Jesus heard you. "Pick up your bed and walk." Help the lame to their feet. Teach the mute the name of Jesus. Some are healed instantaneously, others overnight. But God is powerful and mighty to save.

6. They must CLAIM the victory over the besetting spirits TRUSTING that God will fulfill His Word.

7. They must STAY CLEAN. It is highly likely that the spirits won't go without a fight, and they will periodically return, especially during times of weakness or temptation. This is normal. Even Jesus mentioned this in Matthew 25:43-45. However, when the temptation returns, that means the spirits have returned. Quickly, at the first sign of their reappearance, rebuke them again in Jesus' name and by the power of His blood (see above). The simple prayer, "Help me Jesus!" could be all you need. Eventually, the spirits' reappearances will diminish and may end. As long as one stays firm to God's way, obeying His commandments, one will stay clean. If one succumbs which can happen, cry out, "Help me Jesus!" and rebuke the spirits again in Jesus' Name and His shed blood. One does not need to be enslaved by the powers of darkness.

Jesus, the Great Creator knows each person's struggle. He is more than willing to help if you will let Him be the LORD of your life.

Why not choose life?

APPENDIX A

Following are the texts in the Bible on sodomites (not referring to residents of Sodom). The Hebrew terms are *gadesh* (male) or *gedeshah* (female), those who practice sodomy (anal sex) and prostitution in the context of religious rituals. As the translators of the KJV and NKJV translated the original text differently, I've listed both side by side along with the relevant footnotes.

Deuteronomy 23:17, 1 Kings 14:24, 1 Kings 15:12, 1 Kings 22:46, 2 Kings 23:7, 1 Corinthians 6:9, 1 Timothy 1:10

Deuteronomy 23:17 (KJV)	Deuteronomy 23:17 (NKJV)
There shall be no whore of the daughters	"There shall be no ritual ^[a] harlot of the
of Israel, nor a sodomite of the sons of	daughters of Israel, or a perverted ^[b] one of
Israel.	the sons of Israel.
	 Footnotes: a. Deuteronomy 23:17 Heb. <i>qedeshah</i>, fem. of <i>qadesh</i> (next note) b. Deuteronomy 23:17 Heb. <i>qadesh</i>, one practicing sodomy and prostitution in religious rituals
1 Kings 14:24 (KJV)	1 Kings 14:24 (NKJV)
And there were also sodomites in the	And there were also ^[a] perverted persons in
land: and they did according to all the	the land. They did according to all the
abominations of the nations which the	abominations of the nations which the Lord
Lord cast out before the children of Israel.	had cast out before the children of Israel.
	Footnotes: a. 1 Kings 14:24 Heb. <i>qadesh</i> , one practicing sodomy and prostitution in religious rituals
1 Kings 15:12 (KJV)	1 Kings 15:12 (NKJV)
And he took away the sodomites out of	And he banished the ^[a] perverted persons
the land, and removed all the idols that his	from the land, and removed all the idols
fathers had made.	that his fathers had made.
	Footnotes: a. 1 Kings 15:12 Heb. <i>qedeshim</i> , those practicing sodomy and prostitution in religious rituals
1 Kings 22:46 (KJV)	1 Kings 22:46 (NKJV)
And the remnant of the sodomites, which	And the rest of the ^[a] perverted persons,
remained in the days of his father Asa, he	who remained in the days of his father Asa,
took out of the land.	he banished from the land.
	Footnotes:

	 a. 1 Kings 22:46 Heb. <i>qadesh</i>, one practicing sodomy and prostitution in religious rituals
2 Kings 23:7 (KJV) And he brake down the houses of the sodomites, that were by the house of the Lord, where the women wove hangings for the grove.	2 Kings 23:7 (NKJV) Then he tore down the ritual ^[a] booths of the ^[b] perverted persons that were in the house of the Lord, where the women wove hangings for the wooden image.
	 Footnotes: a. 2 Kings 23:7 Lit. houses b. 2 Kings 23:7 Heb. <i>qedeshim</i>, those practicing sodomy and prostitution in religious rituals
1 Corinthians 6:9 (KJV) Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,	1 Corinthians 6:9 (NKJV) Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor ^[a] homosexuals, nor ^[b] sodomites,
	 Footnotes: a. 1 Corinthians 6:9 <i>catamites</i>, those submitting to homosexuals b. 1 Corinthians 6:9 male homosexuals
1 Timothy 1:10 (KJV) For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine;	1 Timothy 1:10 (NKJV) for fornicators, for sodomites, for kidnappers, for liars, for perjurers, and if there is any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine,