

# An Apple in Modern Eden: The Biblical and Emotional Truths About LGBT Issues & Pornography

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10:00am –The causes of same-sex attraction and gender identity dysphoria

11:00am - The inner causes of porn addiction and the way out

01:30pm - What can parents do?

02:30pm – How can the church truly help strugglers?



# True or False?

1. Homosexual/Transgender feelings are a choice.
2. Homosexual/Transgender feelings can change.
3. There is a Gay gene and a Transgender gene.
4. Addictions are about drugs, alcohol, sex.
5. Early trauma in gender identity can cause Trans.
6. Homosexual Christians were in the early church.
7. LGBT persons are mentally ill.
8. Addictions can be overcome through faith in Christ.
9. Repentant homosexuals are fully accepted in the church.
10. Temptations are sinful.

# Scripture

*1st Corinthians 6:9-11...Be not deceived passage about many aspects of unrighteousness...and “such were some of you.”*

*Romans 1:25-27...The abandonment of natural relationships*

## *Addictions, Homosexuality, Transgenderism*

*What are the underlying issues, the emotional draw to these feelings and the taking on of these identities and addictions?*

*If you don't know these things you won't be able to effectively minister to strugglers.*

## *Addictions...*

What is porn all about?

Why porn?

It's not just men anymore

- **Unhappy marriages**
- **Inferiority/weakness**
- **Immaturity**
- **Powerlessness**
- **Lack of love**
- **Inundation of the world**
- **Unattached parents and children**
- **The power of the Internet**

# Homosexuality

## The Basics – 3 Causes

- 1. Severe Gender Inferiority or Dysphoria**
- 2. Severely Unmet Needs...**
  - Affirmation, Approval, Affection**
  - Early relationship insecurity**
- 3. Sexual Abuse**

# Transgender...The Basics

- 1. Severe Gender Identity Dysphoria...**  
**Intense unsettling family dysfunction**
- 2. Severely Unmet Needs...**  
**Affirmation, Approval, Affection**
- 3. Medical abuse/Media abuse/Activism**

# In their own words...

- I don't have any male role models in my life. I grew up with my father and mother but my father never paid attention to me. I didn't have a good relationship with him. As a little boy, I remember having hatred towards him. That hatred towards him got worse when I got older. Now, as a Christian, I feel a little bit of compassion towards him, and I have been trying to forgive him. I still don't have a good relationship with him because he does not care much about me. I always feel uncomfortable when we have to do something together. My dad is a self-centered man, that just cares about drinking, working, traveling, etc. My father is an alcoholic.
- My dad never paid attention to my mother either, even though they are together. For that reason, my mom overprotected me, spoiled me, and gave me way too much love that it was unhealthy. I spent too much time with my mom as a boy. She took me shopping almost every week. I slept in the same bed with her until I was 13 years old (because my father sleeps in a different room). She used to get dressed and take showers in front of me until I was 16 years old. Therefore, I used to see her naked. I could relate to her. I identified with her. I felt sorry for her. I even wanted to be her.
- Nowadays, we have a healthy relationship because I put boundaries. I no longer feel identified with her. I try not to hang out with her much.

## In their own words.....

- Older sister: I used to idolize my older sister as a boy and as an adolescent. I wanted to be her. I wanted to dress like her. I wanted to have her friends and do girls' things such as sleeping in the same bed, playing dolls, etc. Nowadays, we have a good and healthy relationship. I don't idolize her anymore. I sometimes find myself imitating her, which I hate myself when that happens.
- Younger brother: I didn't get along with my brother when I was younger. I don't know why I used to hate him. Maybe because he was the only person my father cared about. Nowadays, I have a good relationship with my brother but is not intimate. I try to have a more intimate relationship with him, but he lives a worldly life that does not let him hang out with me that often.
- As a boy and adolescent, I felt incompetent, inadequate, insufficient, not enough, etc. I felt that I didn't have what it takes to be a man. I felt that I belong to the group of women since I could relate to girls more. I was never picked to play soccer at P.E, so I had to play volleyball with the girls. Those events at school made me think that I was not enough. I used to feel unworthy and low self-esteem.
- My father never touched me till I was about 13. I had no frame of reference to be affectionate with or how to love a father who I felt annihilated by as a boy.



## In their own words:

- I'm still struggling with low self-esteem. I sometimes feel that I am not man enough. I sometimes feel that I can understand women better. I feel that I have to take care of myself to look prettier so that men would accept me and like me (as a friend).
- My father's best friend molested me when I was 13 years old. This continued until he raped me at the age of 15. And that continued until I got saved at the age of 27.
- I'm dealing with anxiety. I have uncontrollable, intrusive thoughts. I'm constantly worrying about the future. I'm always expecting the worst.
- Whatever the future holds, I know that I will be okay because God is with me.

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## In their own words:

- I never knew what it felt like to be emotionally connected with my father. He would annihilate me with the look in his eyes when angry. Except for whippings, we were treated in ways that one is treated from the pulpit.
- When I was 5 or 6, my 17 year old neighbor took me into his tent in his backyard and sexually abused me.
- Later as an adult, there was so much hunger for male affection and approval that came up for me after repressing all these things since childhood.

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I was raped by a family member as an adolescent. I didn't want anything to do with men for many years. I needed a safe and loving mother, but she wasn't there for me during all these years.

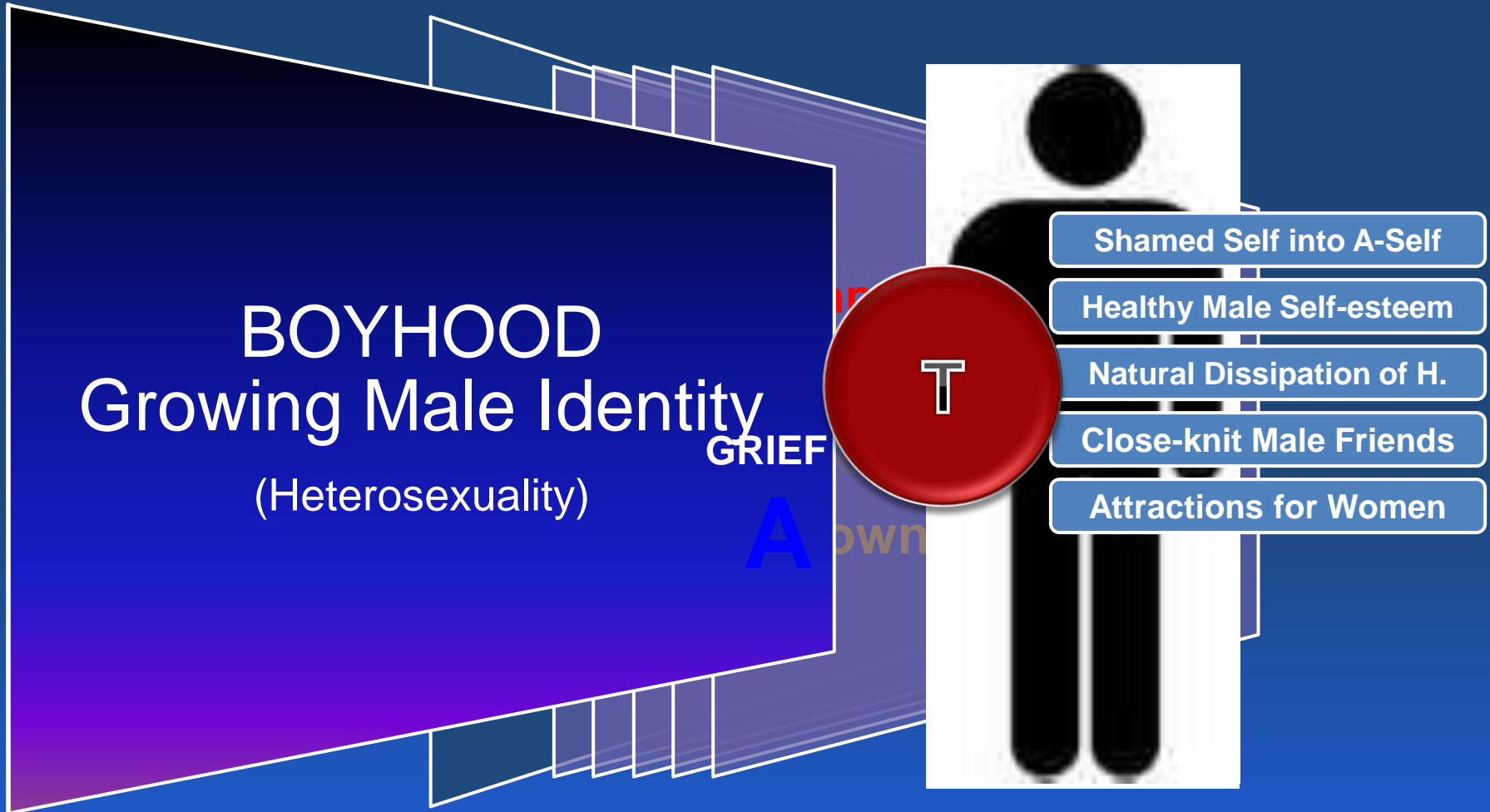
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# The research says...

1. 75% of gender dysphoria persons resolved by adulthood.
2. 20% suicide rate
3. Johns/Hopkins and other countries close transgender clinics or halt care for minors.
4. Current research says “We don’t know” causes <http://thefederalist.com/2016/04/26/7-questions-about-transgender-people-answered/>
5. DSM5 change – Gender ID Disorder to Dysphoria

# Understanding the Root Causes resolving them

Stories at [voicesofchange.org](http://voicesofchange.org)



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# What Can Parents do?!

Role Play:

**You choose and comment on  
the scenario!**

If you don't fulfill needs, other men & women WILL.

# How Do We Help the Struggler?

**The Greatest of these is Love...1 Cor. 13:13**

...Have to talk about it...Reality, scripture, love.

...Demonstrate compassion.

...Learn how shame creates homosexual feelings.

...Educate church members and your family.

...Offer need fulfillment to the needy.

...Get them help, therapy, groups, etc.

...Be a part of their lives...mentorship

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# How Do We Help the LGBT Struggler?

## Authentic Reintegrative Therapy...

...Reflects sound biblical principles

...Is not a “magic pill” and doesn’t “trump” the Word

...Works because it feels and deals with causes

...Reflects compassion (Agape)

God is in it all...He is the great Physician!  
In the New Testament...Love is the answer.

# The Greatest Testimonial – How Do We Help?

**Genesis 5:2...Mark 10:6**

**“...from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female.”**

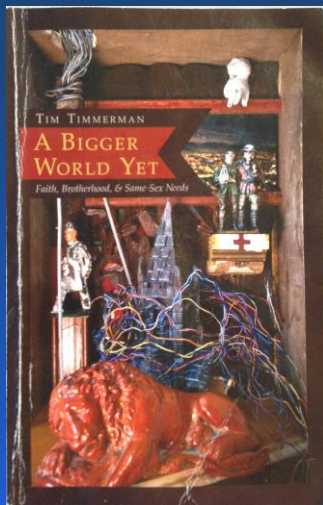
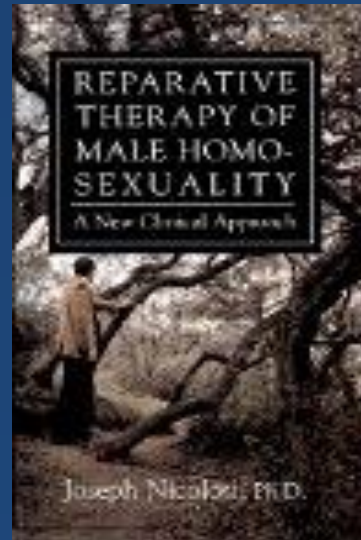
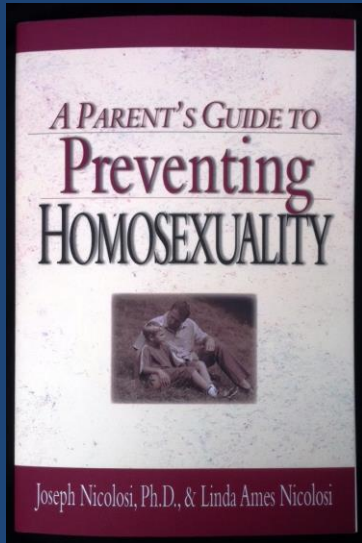
**Truth & Compassion works!**

**Compassion is not compassion without Truth**

**ALWAYS emotional disturbance within the parental and child relationship...intense insecurity, and dissociation to compensate. For example...**



# RESOURCES



[voices-of-change.org](http://voices-of-change.org), [waltheyer.com](http://waltheyer.com),  
[www.davidpickuplmft.com](http://www.davidpickuplmft.com)

<http://www.breakpoint.org/2017/03/breakpoint-the-silent-suffering-of-gay-men/>

[www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/two-minute-clip-homosexuality-every-christian-should-watch](http://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/two-minute-clip-homosexuality-every-christian-should-watch)

[www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/you-are-not-your-sexuality](http://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/you-are-not-your-sexuality),  
<https://youtu.be/ptNHDclmFSE>

# The testimonials...

## 1. Walt Heyer –

- <http://www.sexchangeregret.com>
- <http://www.thepublicdiscourse.com/2015/04/14905/>
- **"Sex Change" Surgery: What Bruce Jenner, Diane Sawyer, and You Should Know** by [Walt Heyer](#) within [Culture](#), [Sexuality](#), April 27th, 2015

*“The dark and troubling history of the contemporary transgender movement, with its enthusiastic approval of gender-reassignment surgery, has left a trail of misery in its wake.”*

# The Greatest Testimonial – How do we help?

Truth & Compassion works!

Compassion is not compassion without Truth

Spiritual compassion, walking *with* a struggler without judgmentalism.

Intense professional therapy...knowing how to reveal the emotional abandonment/dissociation...reset of family structure, also complementary to God's design...Joy to experience wholeness of bio gender.

# **Stand up in your churches...in society**

**For your children**

**For your children's children**

**By revealing biblical truth, the research, the false evidence and compassionate relationships and therapy that works.**

**Most school boards, lay persons and many professionals do NOT know the evidence!**