



Student Template
19-25 February 2023

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT SAME-SEX RELATIONSHIPS?
Matthew 22:35-40

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE(S)

John 15:12
John 13:35
2 Peter 3:15-16

HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS

Throughout Scripture, God is clear on his moral commands pertaining to same-sex relationships. Old Testament passages such as Leviticus 18:22; 20:13 are foundational in establishing God’s view on sex and sexuality. New Testament passages such as Romans 1:26-27 and 1 Timothy 1:9-10 reaffirm the moral commands that God established in the Old Testament about same-sex relationships. Though the Bible has been clear on the objection of same-sex relationships some Contemporary Christians write-off Old Testament Scripture as obsolete and criticize Paul’s teachings in the New Testament as his own sexual ethic. Same-sex relationships continue to be a hot topic in Contemporary Christian culture. It is our responsibility as Christians to learn how to extend biblical love to those in the LGBTQ+ community while affirming biblical convictions.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. If love is the greatest of the seven virtues and you are to “love your neighbor as yourself” (Matthew 22:30), what are the best arguments for LGBTQ+ affirmation and why?

2. Do you think that the non-affirming view has its place in today’s society? Why?



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS *(Continued)*

3. In light of there being a New Testament, the Old Testament still stands as relevant—why and why not?

4. How can the church be empathetic to the LGBTQ+ community while still remaining true to its moral commands and laws of the Bible?

5. What is the Great Commission and Great Commandment and how can they work in concert with regard to the church, society, and LGBTQ+?

WORD OF THE WEEK TO REMEMBER

*“Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord.
Hebrews 12:14 ESV*

PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

Ministries to flow in their three organic ideas.

GROUP DISCUSSION