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Personal Testimony

Dr. Christopher Yuan articulates a biblical view of sexuality through the narrative of his personal transformation from an agnostic gay man to a Bible professor.

Sexual Identity: False Identity

One of the most important things missed when engaging with our LGBT friends is how sexuality has become the core of our being. “Being gay” means “This is who I am.” But if this is incorrect, how does the Bible communicate who we are? Dr. Yuan articulates the correct understanding of personhood through the lens of Scripture – particularly, the image of God and the doctrine of sin – and explains the consequences of an incorrect understanding of who we are.

Homosexuality: Nature or Nurture?

Are there really “root causes” of homosexuality? Are people born gay? There are two camps: nature (biological) and nurture (environmental). Both claim to be right with science to back them up. With his background in the health sciences, Dr. Christopher Yuan reviews the scientific studies related to etiology of sexual orientation. But more importantly, he helps to show how causation and sexuality are better understood in light of biblical anthropology.

Ordinary Parents, Extraordinary Father: When Prodigals Break Our Hearts

Parents often have nowhere to turn when prodigals break their hearts. What will help their child? And what will help parents to persevere? Having survived the difficult years with their own prodigal son, Angela Yuan has learned from her own personal experience and shares practical steps on what helped her through the prodigal years, which can benefit any parent of any child of any age.

Homosexuality: Texts and Hermeneutics

There are six passages in Scripture which touch on the issue of homosexuality and condemn same-sex relationships. And yet some claim they do not. So what does the Bible really say? With a deep understanding of Hebrew, Greek, contextual issues, and biblical exegesis, Dr. Christopher Yuan presents and analyzes the gay-affirming interpretations of these Old Testament and New Testament passages with clarity and compassion.

He Made Them Male and Female: Sex, Gender, and the Imago Dei

As we grapple to wrap our minds around sexual identity, transgenderism has taken many by surprise. Is gender a social construct? Do our bodies matter? Dr. Christopher Yuan explains pertinent terminology and categories as the first step to better understand gender identity.

Holy Sexuality and the Gospel

We all know someone who identifies as gay, lesbian, or bisexual. How can Christians better share Jesus with our loved ones and friends in the LGB community? What have we gotten wrong? How can we improve? Without any compromise of truth or grace, Dr. Christopher Yuan combines his life experiences and his theological and biblical language background to teach a fully gospel-centric approach. This will help us to think right (orthodoxy) before doing right (orthopraxy).