

GALENA BIBLE CHURCH

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ORDER OF SERVICE

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Welcome and Announcements.....	Pastor Adam
Opening Prayer.....	Eric Hillary
*Songs of His Power	Mighty to Save Not in Me His Mercy Is More Jesus Thank You
Offertory.....	Satisfied in You
*Scripture Reading	1 Corinthians 6:9-11 (p.955) Benjamin Mock
Message	Hope for Homosexuals (and the Rest of Us) Pastor Gary
*Song of Response	Take My Life (I Am Yours)
*Closing Prayer and Benediction	Pastor Gary

*Please stand if you are able

Child care is available for children pre-school age and younger in our nurseries located at the end of the fellowship hall. Also, a cry room with a window and audio is available for your use adjacent to the sanctuary.

THE GENIUS OF GENDER: GOD'S GOOD GIFT OF THE SEXES – NOTES FROM TODAY'S MESSAGE:

Hope for Homosexuals (and the Rest of Us)

Various texts

Talk about a hot-button and sensitive topic! As the Church of the 21st century wrestles with homosexuality, and deals with the enormous societal pressure to accept it as normal and good, we have come to a defining moment. And it's a defining moment to which our response must be rooted in the gospel.

I. What the Bible says about homosexuality:

- Gen 1-2
- Lev 18:22; 20:13
- Rom 1:26-27
- 1 Tim 1:10
- 1 Cor 6:9-11

II. What we can say to our homosexual friends:

- "All of us ultimately are in the same boat as sinners" (Rom 3:23, 6:23; Jas 2:10)
- "All of us are called to repent, receive God's gift of grace through faith, and live in obedience to His word, as the Spirit empowers us" (Rom 6:23, 8:1, 6:12-14)

III. What we can say to other Christians struggling with same-sex attraction:

- "The Lord knows your struggle and is there to help (and so am I)" (Lk 12:6-7; Heb 4:15-16)
- "We're all groaning as we long for our glorious future" (Rom 8:23)
- "We're not defined by our sexuality, but by our union to Christ" (2 Cor 5:17)

Next week: Does our church culture really see singleness as a "gift", as the Apostle Paul speaks of it (1 Cor 7:7), or more as a curse? We'll try to hone in on a biblical theology of singlehood, with particular focus on two passages: Matt 19:10-13 and 1 Cor 7:6-9.