Differing Views on Christian Doctrine, Identity and Homosexuality

Used for discussion purposes. Some authors or organizations may fluctuate between categories.

**Revel**
*(Gay Partnership)*

“God made me this way to enjoy partnership.”

**Identity:** Gay-COMPelled
Determined from feelings and behaviors

**Belief/Response:**
“Open and Affirming” Celebrate gay relationships

**Biblical View:**
Revisionist Pro-Gay theology Liberal sexual ethics

**Origin:**
Born this way, and God designed it this way

**Emphasis:**
Live and let live Gay partnerships/marriage

**Strongly Opposed to:**
Healing/transformation SSA roots and contributing factors

**Proponents:**
Q Fellowship — (Side A)
Matthew Vines: God and the Gay Christian
Justin Lee: Torn
Mel White: Stranger At The Gate
Randy Thomas: Former VP Exodus

**Resist**
*(Gay Identified)*

“I’m choosing to be obedient with my unchangeable affliction.”

**Identity:** Gay-CONSTRAINED
Comfortable with LGBTQ+ label and Identity in Christ.

**Belief/Response:**
Love the Gay Christian as is Encourage abstinence

**Biblical View:**
Traditional Biblical ethics God affirms and loves people

**Origin:**
Born with inclination, but God did not design it this way

**Emphasis:**
Living a chaste, abstinent, God-centered life

**Silent and/or Opposed to:**
Healing/transformation SSA relational roots and contributing factors

**Proponents:**
Revoice.us — (Side B)
Wesley Hill: Washed and Waiting
Gregory Coles: Single Gay Christian
Bill Henson: Posture Shift
Preston Sprinkle: People To Be Loved

**Renounce**
*(Repentance)*

“I surrender my false identity and sinful behavior.”

**Identity:** God Conquers
Found in Christ, not in the struggle

**Belief/Response:**
Call to repentance and obedience in Christ

**Biblical View:**
Traditional Biblical ethics God loves us in weakness

**Origin:**
Primarily a sin nature issue Result of The Fall

**Emphasis:**
Support for godly living God will sustain you

**Silent or Opposed to:**
Healing ministry SSA relational roots and contributing factors

**Proponents:**
- The Gospel Coalition -
  Christopher Yuan: Out of a Far Country
  Becket Cook: A Change of Affection
  Sam Allberry: Is God anti-gay?
  Ed Shaw: Same-Sex Attraction and the Church

**Rebuild**
*(Transformation)*

“My hope is in Christ for a truly transformed life”

**Identity:** God Created
Found in Christ and His transforming work in us

**Belief/Response:**
Repentance and discipleship towards obedience and healing

**Biblical View:**
Traditional Biblical ethics God loves, heals and redeems

**Origin:**
Both a sin nature and a developmental issue

**Emphasis:**
Godly living, relational healing and gender wholeness/design

**Promotes:**
Hope and healing through Jesus, His Church, counseling and discipleship programs

**Proponents:**
- Restored Hope Network -
  Joe Dallas: Understanding Homosexuality
  Portland Fellowship: Taking Back Ground
  Laura Perry: Transgender to Transformed
  Denise Shick: When Hope Seems Lost

**Change is possible, desirable, realistic and/or a focus.**

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