

Pastor Branson (00:00:00):

Well, this morning, y'all all know what I'm gonna be preaching on. And the, the word went out yesterday and gonna be preaching on the subject. And I'm sure a lot of pastors are not preaching on today, and a lot of pastors don't ever preach on it. But something that the Lord has certainly laid upon my heart. And so I want you to, to listen. I want you to listen very, very carefully. I'm gonna preach quick, but I'm also got a lot of ground to cover and I want you to listen. And if you don't catch it all, it's going to be on the website, you can go back and you can listen to it, and I encourage you to share it with others. If you would feel impressed to do so. And I would ask that no one please gets up and walks around this morning.

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Please stay in your seats because it's a message that Satan definitely does not want you to hear. A lot of other people, he doesn't want it to hear, to hear either. But I won't be cracking jokes this morning or, you know, having a lot of levity like I usually do because this is a very, very serious message, and I want to give it the full attention that the Lord would have me to give it to. So Christianity that's not offensive is not Christianity. Think about that for a minute. Christianity that's not offensive, is not Christianity. Christianity is going to be offensive. Anytime you preach the true word of God, the true principles of God, it's going to offend some people. Christianity used to offend you before you came to know Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. Every time you heard somebody telling you that you needed to receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior, or your life needed to change here or needed to change here or whatever, you heard the truth of God's word, you got offended.

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And the reason that you got offended is because you are not walking in the light. The reason you got offended is because you didn't know Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. The Bible says that the word is foolishness to those that don't know the Lord. The word is foolishness and the word is offensive, and it's gonna be more offensive as we keep going on in this world because this world is getting more and more sinful. That's the way it's supposed to be because that's the way the word of God says it's gonna be says before the Lord comes back. There's gonna be all kinds of sinfulness going on in this world, and we're gonna see some things that we have never, ever seen in our life, and it's gonna just absolutely blow our mind. And I could spend the rest of the week talking about all those kinds of things that are going on now that certainly not only blow my mind, but also blow your minds.

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Also coming face to face with our sinful nature is offensive, but it's meant to lead us to a loving savior. That's what it's meant to do. Whether we don't know Jesus Christ, our Lord's Savior, when the Holy Spirit convicts us and offends us about our life and our need of a savior is to point us to Jesus. Amen. Because Jesus wants to save our souls. Amen. He doesn't want us to go to a lost eternity in Hell. And when the preaching of the word is offensive to us as Christians, that means that we have something in our life again, that needs to be forgiven, needs to lead us back to the Savior that we say that we love, that we say we want to glorify and honor with all of our life. So leads us to a loving savior. It's meant to keep our relationship with Jesus strong.

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That's what the preaching of the word is supposed to do. Preaching the truthful absolutes of God's word is absolutely, positively not popular by today's standards. There used to be a day, many of you remember it, that it was a lot more popular. There used to be a day where we used to have full crowds on Sunday mornings. We used to have Sunday night services. It was packed out and Wednesday night services packed out. We used to have seven day revivals. They were packed out. Then we brought 'em

down to three. They were packed out. Then we went up to two nights. They were packed out, and now we don't have any. That's how far we've slipped.

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No part of existence in the universe has been left undisturbed by sins effects. This means that the brokenness of creation reaches into every, absolutely every corner of our lives, even our minds and our hearts. This pastor and this church is always believed in preaching the unchangeable truths of God's word. Amen. Even when this society says it's not politically correct, it's my responsibility as a pastor and not only is my response, it's the responsibility of every pastor that's really a pastor to preach the unchangeable truths of God's word, regardless of what society says, or regardless of what year we may be in. And every time we preach the truth or every time we try to live the truth, you can mark it down. That persecution is gonna come to the church that's preaching it, and persecution is gonna come also to the pastors and those of us that are trying to live the truth.

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Why? Because preaching the truth and living the truth threatens people's freedom to sin. They don't like it. The Bible says what fellowship have light with darkness? It doesn't. Just like you go into your kitchen, and I pray you don't have this problem, but you cut on the light at 12 o'clock at night and you see roaches scatter. The reason you see roaches scatters because they don't like the light. The reason sometimes that you see people persecuting the church or saying things about the church or just not even coming to church is because they don't like the light. Because the light exposes what's going on in their life. God implemented in society too, very important mechanisms and these mechanisms can never be tampered with because if you tampered with them, we've got problems. The first one is conscience. Conscience only works if you have a clear defined belief system in your life.

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Conscience is to know what you believe in and to stand on what you believe in. Amen. If you're a Christian today, you know Jesus is your Lord and Savior. Your belief system should be centered in the principles of God's word. Amen. Those principles are never changing. Those principles are steadfast, so should be our life according to those principles. It doesn't make any difference what's going on in this crazy world of ours. We should have a defined belief system that says, I am steadfast no matter what. My life is centered in the principles of God's word and I ain't moving. Amen. When you tamper with the truth, when you tamper with the word of God, when you try to preach around it, when you try to poke holes in it, or when you try to completely eliminate the truth, the conscience is lost, absolutely lost. If you don't believe anything, you'll fall for anything.

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That's the way a lot of people are. We have lost our bearings. We have lost our conscience, so therefore we don't have a set defined belief system. And when you lose that folks, you lose all direction in life. Amen. You lose all direction in the church. You lose all direction as we certainly have in our nation. That's one of the mechanisms. The second mechanism is one that's truly been attacked in the last many years, and that is the family. You mess around with the what God's design is for the family, and you've got trouble. God designed parents, husbands, and wives, and we'll get in that in a minute. For the benefit of society, the way to destroy his design of the family is to tear the family into shreds and to redefine it. And that's exactly what we've done. We have taken God's design of the family and we have ripped it to shreds.

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We have redefined it. When we re-define it, we turn men into some sort of a joke and disposes them of all moral authority that the alt to be having in their families. Today. The rallying cry of our society is

my genes made me do it. And I'm not talking about your Levis or your wranglers <laugh>. Many say that our genetic genes are not only responsible for homosexuality, but they're also for our, for alcoholism. We're responsible for alcoholism, drug addiction, infidelity, violence, whatever else it is. And there is a widespread belief that gene genes determine the actions and people behave certain ways because of their biochemical makeup, and that compels them to act out in their behavior. Proof for such a belief is absolutely lacking. In fact, it's not there. Biological processes that fully explain behavior do not exist. There are no obvious biochemical or genetic factors that would compel a person to engage in homosexual behavior.

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In other words, you weren't born that way. And we'll get into that in a few minutes. The first thing we've gotta decide is whether we're going to believe this or not, did God create us special? Did God create us to be the people that we are? Did God knit us together in our mother's wombs? Did God create you to be a man? Did God create you to be a woman? If that's the case, if there's nothing, if we come out and we say that we exist by pure accident, nothing, your life, nothing has a fixed purpose. And if that's the case, we are left to create our own definition of manhood and womanhood. And that's what we've tried to do. We've tried to take God completely at it. We've tried. God's made some kind of mistake. He made a mistake when he made me somewhere on the assembly line, he was out to lunch. Now, we were all born sinners. We all possess a heart of pride that is inclined to turn away, is turn away from God. We all have pride. What does pride do? Pride says that I know a better way. Pride says that I am arrogant, and if you're prideful, you are arrogant. You think there's only one way in life and that's your way, and you're good to follow God as long as God doesn't interfere with what you think is right,

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But when he infringes on what you think is right, what your views are right, then you take your road instead of God's road. That's the problem with society today. Society knows the word of God. They've heard it. Many of them have heard it. They've come face to face with a savior like we'll do next week with Easter. They'll be a full house here. We will fill up every bit looking cranny of this place next week. Amen. It's a time where I wish them a merry Christmas

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Because the next time I see 'em will be Christmas. They have gotten close to God. They know the story. I'm probably not gonna say anything that they don't know. But what they've done is I'm good with coming to God on Easter and Christmas, but as far as him infringing upon my life, being my Lord and Savior follows him, calling the shots in my life, thanks, but no thanks, because I want to live my life. That's what the world's saying. I don't like the design of men and women. I don't like the design of of gender. So I'm gonna create my own because that's what I want to do. That's exactly what it is. It's a pride issue in our hearts. We have a tendency, a desire to turn away from God's ways to our personal wants. It's been that way since the Garden of Eden. It always will be. It's nothing new. It's nothing new. It's a personal choice to deviate from the principles of God's word. Nobody's making you do it. You are your own entity. I am my own entity. If I wanted to be a pastor that wasn't preaching the truth, I would make that decision to do that. I am a pastor that preaches the truth because I've made a decision to preach the truth.

Pastor Branson [\(00:14:37\)](#):

Amen?

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Yes, you are who you are today because you've made your decision to stand on the word of God no matter what happens in this crazy society of ours. Amen.

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It is not a problem, woman society. It is a heart issue. Yes, I'm not getting into gun violence or anything else, but I will tell you this. I'll tell you this. People say that tragedy would not have happened in the Nashville School a few weeks ago, and I could talk about that for a while because I've got some views on that. But I will tell you this, that gun did not kill those people. The person behind the gun killed those people. You take away all the guns, they will kill people with rocks. They'll kill people with sticks. They will find a way to kill. The guns are not the issue. And I'm not gonna park there this morning. I'm not gonna get on a soap box. The problem was with the heart, the same way we're talking about this morning. We may all have different biological heritage, but we share one common spiritual heritage.

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Look, if you will, Romans chapter three, verse 3, 3 23. We all know this verse. For everyone has sinned. That means me. That means you. That means everybody has ever been born. You're a sinner. You're a sinner. I'm a sinner Pastor. What will I quit being a sinner? When you get to heaven, just because you're a Christian, doesn't mean you're a sinner. You're not a sinner, you're a sinner. Some of y'all have already sinned this morning. You don't wanna tell me what you've done. I saw some of you come in this morning, your cars. Oh, well, we all fall short of God's glorious standard. We all fall short. Amen. That's why we need a savior. It's not by works of righteousness, which we have done that people find Jesus as Lord and Savior. You can't work your way to heaven. It's impossible. There's only one way to go to heaven.

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It's not going around and knocking on people's doors with white shirts and black pants. It's not believing in Buddha. It's not believing in the Scientology. No. It's believing in what Jesus did for you on the cross. Amen. There's only one way to go to heaven. And that is through asking Jesus Christ to come in to be your Lord and Savior and to know that you are sinner and ask him to forgive you of your sins. But we have all sinned. We've all sinned. Genesis 8 21, first part of that, look what it says. Everyone they think or imagine is bent towards evil. Now, let me say this, and I want you to listen to this. The Bible is very clear that every bone of us is bent towards sin. We were born sinners when you came out of your mom's womb. When I came outta my mama's womb, nobody had to send me to sin class.

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That was not a part of my growing up. Was it a part of yours? No. Anybody send you to sin class to learn sins? No. You know why you didn't need a sin class? I didn't need a sin class. I didn't need for somebody to tell me how to lie. I knew how to lie. I didn't need somebody to tell me how to steal. I knew how to steal. I really didn't need anybody to tell me how to murder because I knew how to murder. I didn't really tell, need somebody to tell me how to be a homosexual because I knew how to be a homosexual. I didn't need anybody to tell me how to have infidelity in my marriage because I knew how to have it. I didn't need anybody to tell me how to be an alcoholic because I knew how to be an alcoholic. I didn't need to have anybody tell me how to be a drug addict because I knew how to be a drug addict. Are you listening to me? Yes. Yes. We were all born sinner. Well, pastor, I wasn't. I wasn't. You know, I haven't gone. But listen to me, hear me. We were all born with the capabilities of doing anything in this world. Amen. Amen. Charles Manson was not given the genes that made him have a career of murder. Charles Manson chose to be a murderer. Amen.

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He chose it. Well. He had bad genes from his mom and dad. No, he was designed of God. He chose the path that he took. Everybody says, today I was born that way. No, you were not. You were born a sinner. You were a bent and I was bent. Listen, we were bent until we found Jesus. Amen. Amen. When we found Jesus, he gave us the power to unbend. Some of y'all are still looking at me. Listen, you and I were born sinners. We had the capability and still have the capability of doing anything in this world. The only thing that keeps you away today from being a homosexual is your relationship with Jesus. Amen. And your walk with Jesus. Yes. The only thing that keeps you away from infidelity in, in your marriage is your walk with Jesus. If you want bend, anytime you wanna bend, the bend can be there.

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Yes. But you've gotta make it bend. Yes. Are we getting this? Yes. Say, pastor, I've never heard explain like that before. I just thought I was a sinner. No, you are a real sinner. <Laugh>, and I'm a real sinner. We live in a culture that says, that says a natural explanation implies a moral obligation. In other words, if you were born with a desire, then it's essential to your nature for you to carry that na for you to carry that out. If you were born as homosexual, it's very, it's natural for you to carry that desire out. Whatever desire you have, absolutely natural that you carry it out despite any scientific evidence that proves otherwise. Homosexual that says homosexuality is as linked to d n A. That's absolutely false. Our culture says, my personal desires is to fulfill my desires sexually. However, I please that's not God's business. That's my business today is even argued that to deny people a right to determine their sexuality, their sexual orientation is akin. And many people say this is akin to racism. People say, wait a minute. Listen, we must not discriminate between black and white people or any other race. We should not discriminate against them. And so therefore, we should not discriminate between heterosexual and homosexual.

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But I'm gonna tell you something that thinking is flawed, and I'll tell you why it is. It denies the distinction between an ethnic identity and a chosen moral behavior. Did you hear me? Yes. We have a ethnic identity given to us by God. I am white. You are whatever nationality you are, we're made that way because we're made that way because God wanted to make us that way.

Pastor Branson [\(00:22:28\)](#):

Amen.

Pastor Branson [\(00:22:30\)](#):

We should not discriminate against any kind of black and white or any other nationality. We know that. But what they've tried to do is they've tried to say just as that's true, there's a behavior, other behavior over here, homosexuality. And if you come against this or you preach about this, hey, you're being racist, black and white or other races are not determined by moral choice.

Pastor Branson [\(00:23:01\)](#):

Amen.

Pastor Branson [\(00:23:02\)](#):

We are what we are. Well, I get up today and I say, I want to be purple. Guess what? I could spray paint myself, but I'm still white. I may not like it. I do like it, but I may not like it. I may say, well, you know, I I I wanna be this race over here. Guess what? I'm what I am. You're what you are. Well, pastor, well, I think

I all, I am what I am too with homosexuality. No, because you weren't born that way. Just because some are inclined for certain behaviors does not make them right.

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Number two in your notes, the design of marriage and genesis describes God's prescribed plan for a union between a man and a woman. Pastor, I don't believe it. Genesis chapter three, verse one. It all started back all the way back to that serpent. Now, the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God made. And he said to the woman, now I want you to look at these next three words. Did God really say, did God really say you must not eat from the tree in the garden? Listen, the very moment that those words were interjected into this world created the most deadly influence that this world has ever known.

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That God's word is subject to human judgment, to our interpretation. This spiritual force is all over our society today and is undermining the truth that has been our foundation for years. Many people are saying, did God really say that? I don't believe it did God really? And if they say, did God really say that? What does that do? It undermines everything that God has said is right. This society today is saying. In other words, God didn't say that. There are many churches today that are preaching not the truth, but they're interpreting what they think ought to be preached at 2023. And they're altering the word of God to fit what their preferences are. That's right. Satan's been doing this a long time. Look what he did to Eve. He said she knew. Did she not? Yes, she knew. She knew what God said. Adam knew.

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They knew. Just like this world knows. Don't you think that this world doesn't know? This world does know there's have been the preaching of the word for the last 2000 years. This world knows. He said to Eve, did God really say that? That put a question in her mind. Maybe I misunderstood God. Maybe he was not on his meds that day when he said that to me. Maybe, maybe some of the people that put the Bible together. Maybe they made a little slip. Oh, they didn't. They really didn't mean to say that. So what we've gotta do is we need to interpret what God says with our finite minds. And if we choose to find that he made an error, we're free to change it. And that's exactly what we've done. Exactly what we've done. That's why there's pastors and preachers out there on the, on the television and, and on the radio that have no business being there because they don't preach the truth. They know what the truth is. They've interpreted though, and there's some pastors today that would never be seen preaching a message like this because they would say, if I preach that I'm gonna be offenseful

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Guess what? The gospel is offenseful.

Pastor Branson [\(00:27:33\)](#):

Yes.

Pastor Branson [\(00:27:39\)](#):

Case in point is homosexuality homosexuality. What does God say about homosexuality? Glad that she asked Genesis chapter one, verse 27. So God created human beings. Amen. Amen. God created us. We're not here. We didn't come from monkeys.

Pastor Branson [\(00:28:03\)](#):

Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:28:04](#)):

We didn't come from apes. You're not a descendant of King Kong. He is not on your family tree. You're not here because something blew up in the atmosphere. And you might miraculously got made the way that you are now. You are created human beings. And not only were you created human beings, you and I were created in God's image. In the image of God, he created them. Male and female, he created them. We are made in God's image. Do you think God's image is being a homosexual?

Pastor Branson ([00:28:45](#)):

No.

Pastor Branson ([00:28:46](#)):

Let me say something to you today. There is, and it varies a little bit. But in 2023 from the site I looked at the other day, it says There's 94 genders today. 94. 94. I recently get went to get my blood work at Quest Diagnostics. I always pre-register. They used to ask me pretty simple question. Are you a male or female? All right, I've been asked that since I was born. Guess what? I know what I am. I check male. Now. You don't believe me. Go on site. They ask you a whole lot of other questions. Are you really a male female or are you this or are you this? Are you this, this, this, this, or none of the above? My goodness sakes. I said, I came into Brian because Brian goes and does blood, blood work. I said, did you see that? I mean, I was appalled. What in the world? So when I went and sat in the waiting room, I started looking at people.

Pastor Branson ([00:30:04](#)):

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Pastor Branson ([00:30:06](#)):

Is that really what I'm seeing?

Pastor Branson ([00:30:09](#)):

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Pastor Branson ([00:30:13](#)):

94 genders. You think God created 94 genders? He said, two is enough for me to keep up with

Pastor Branson ([00:30:23](#)):

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Pastor Branson ([00:30:25](#)):

Male and female. You don't like being a male or a female? Tough. Take it up with God. But that's who you are. And you know when you think about that, but we were, we were created special folks. We were not created by random choice. God created you and me special. Right on down to your fingerprints. Right? It's nobody like you.

Pastor Branson ([00:30:50](#)):

Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:30:50](#)):

All of the birds in the air, everything God created, everything's different. Why? Because God created me and you special. Amen. He didn't say one recipe fits all. No. You are different from everybody else in the world. I'm different from everybody else in the world that goes to show you that God says, I want you to be special.

Pastor Branson ([00:31:10](#)):

Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:31:11](#)):

Right on down to your toes.

Pastor Branson ([00:31:13](#)):

Mm-Hmm. <affirmative>.

Pastor Branson ([00:31:14](#)):

Yes. And your nose and your ears, and your personality, and your gifts and your talents.

Pastor Branson ([00:31:21](#)):

Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:31:22](#)):

That's how God is. That's how special you and I are. And he says, you don't like the specialness that I've given to you. What is wrong with you? You think I made a mistake? No one's born gay. No. DNA evidence supports this. God's image, again, is not homosexuality. This world has chosen to believe everything exists by pure accident. What a bunch of hogwash.

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God's not in the middle of accidents and nothing has a fixed purpose. I guarantee you, you are not an accident. Amen. You are created. I was created for a fit, for a fixed purpose in our life. So we as a society are left to create our own definition of male and female. That's where we've gone. Destroying the biological significance of male and female destroys the absolute spirit of how God knitted us together. Amen. Amen. You're saying, I don't like God's design. I think he made a mistake. I don't like how I made. So I'm gonna be something else. And also determines how sexes interact and how kids know the difference between a mom and a dad. See, God had it all together. He created male and female. Perfect. You remember when I told you when, when you lose sight of the family, what the rural family's supposed to be, you get in a mess. We've lost track of who our family needs to be. Give your kids when they're born, when they're old enough, a Ken or a Barbie, throw 'em in a room and find out who wins. If they keep playing with Ken, then maybe they're a male.

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They play with Barbie. Guess what? Barbie wins. You go to the hospital. Well, I had a baby girl. I had a baby boy. Oh, don't be so quick. Oh no. Oh no. Some parents say, I don't really know what I had. Seriously, there's organizations out there. Look 'em up. I don't know what I had. I'm gonna let my own child, whoever they are. And by the way, I hadn't named them because they don't know who they are. I don't know who they are. I'm just calling them it for a while. The only it I knew was on cousin it and it

was on the Adams family. But anyway, I'm serious with you. I'm not making light of it. That's how far our society has gone. You remember when you used to walk to the maternity warden used to have blue? Yes. In, you know, that used to mean something.

Pastor Branson ([00:34:24](#)):

Yeah.

Pastor Branson ([00:34:25](#)):

My gosh. I say I want to go see baby so-and-so. If you have a baby and you don't know whether it's a boy or a girl, you need some help. Number three, the Bible is clear and consistent, affirming that homosexuality is sexual immorality before God. Just like we shared about Adam and Eve, we are prone in our culture and in our churches to subject the word of God to what we feel is right. Pastor, I want to feel good sermon. That's what I want. You know what folks? I like to feel good too. I really do. But you know, sometimes I don't feel good. You know something? God says, I want you to feel really good. I want you to feel so good. And the best way for you to feel good is for you to walk in step with me. That's right.

Pastor Branson ([00:35:30](#)):

Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:35:31](#)):

The Lord says, if you walk with me, if you ask me to direct your past, I am gonna lead you in a joyful, blessed life. If you're walking apart from God with your sex, you are not happy. And I'll show you that in a minute. But folks, listen. That's the way to have true joy and happiness. Look at Leviticus chapter 21st part of verse 13. This is how God feels about homosexuality. Pretty strong. If a man or woman practices homosexuality, having sex with another man or another woman as it was with a woman, both men have committed a detestable act. Detestable. God says, what are you doing?

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What are you doing? Wait a minute, I've created male and female. You're not supposed to have sex with another man. Man to man. Woman to woman is supposed to be man to woman. Amen. Amen. God says, if you do something different, it's a detestable act. It's not right. It's not natural. It's not natural to anything that I've created. It is abnormal. It's not gonna work. It's not gonna fit. It's not gonna be blessed. I could go on. Oh, pastor, that's not enough. Okay, Leviticus, chapter 18, verse 22. Do not practice homosexuality it. Well, I don't like that. Well, guess what it says, do not. Well sometimes no, do not. Well, 2023, do we have the right now? No. Do not practice homosexuality. Having sex with another man as, as with a woman, is again, a detestable sin. It doesn't get any better. I don't have time to go into all the verses.

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You go home and Google, Google it and look up the verses. Look up what God has to say about it. Listen, God's condemnation of homosexuality is abundantly clear. No if, ands or buts, he opposes it no matter what year we're living in. Why? Why is he opposed to it? Why does he say it's a detestable act? Because it overturns God's fundamental design for human relationships completely blows it out of the water Our society has. Divine has defied natural reason. God's word has they say embraces era. And they want to say God's word is not right. Why? Because it makes them feel better about the behavior that they're in. Amen. Amen. Amen. I'll give you an illustration of that. You've got sin in your life, but you look across

here, the audience today, and you, somebody else has a sin greater than your sin. You think, well, their sins greater than mine. So you know what you do that makes you feel better. I'm not a bigger sinner as they are. They're a bigger sinner than me. Do they make you feel better? Oh, hey, I, I, I'm not doing what they're doing so I feel better. Pastor, maybe we have a homosexual in here today, or a lesbian. If you are here today like that, I'm gonna tell you something. You're loved, you're loved by God. You're loved by this church. And I'll get to that at the end. But you're very loved. This is not an attack on you today. This is just to show you what God says about that kinda lifestyle.

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Well, pastor, I'm better than a homosexual. No, you're not. Oh, that makes me feel better to think that they're in some kind of sin. And I think my sins not as big as theirs. No. Romans 1 25. What did people do with homosexuality? They traded the truth of God for a lie.

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They bow down and listened to when Satan said, did God really say that? You know, if he was a loving God, he wouldn't have said that. You know, God wants everybody, but yes, he does love everybody. But folks, he loves everybody to the point that they need to follow the principles of God's word. That's what real love is all about. That's like when you and I were being, were being raised by our family, by our mom and dad. If you had the privilege of being raised this way, I got my fanny beat off. That's

Pastor Branson [\(00:40:09\)](#):

Right.

Pastor Branson [\(00:40:10\)](#):

That's why I don't have much today. <Laugh>. My mama took it off. You know why she did that? Because she loved me.

Pastor Branson [\(00:40:19\)](#):

Amen.

Pastor Branson [\(00:40:20\)](#):

She didn't want me to become this, this, this, and this. She knew that God had a plan for my life. And she did the best she could to keep this old boy straight.

Pastor Branson [\(00:40:29\)](#):

Yes.

Pastor Branson [\(00:40:30\)](#):

And that's the same thing that God does. Yes, he believes in love, but he also believes in spankings. And he loves us so much that he's gonna spank us. We don't like it.

Pastor Branson [\(00:40:44\)](#):

No.

Pastor Branson [\(00:40:46\)](#):

We really don't. Like when our parents say, it's gonna hurt me more and hurts you. I never figured that one out.

Pastor Branson ([00:40:51](#)):
<Laugh>.

Pastor Branson ([00:40:54](#)):
I only give you a real strong statement. I want you to listen to this homosexuals and those churches and pastors that advocate this and they say it's fine. They say it's okay. They say that God's okay with it are committed to overturning the lordship of Jesus Christ and this world.

Pastor Branson ([00:41:19](#)):
Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:41:21](#)):
False teachers. Amen. Amen. False prophets. And there are many out there today. We have got churches that fly the gay banner. There's a church town in St. Petersburg. I go to, I don't go to, I drive by, sorry,

Pastor Branson ([00:41:39](#)):
<Laugh>.

Pastor Branson ([00:41:40](#)):
But I would kinda like to go to it one Sunday, but they would never invite me back to preach. But listen,

Pastor Branson ([00:41:46](#)):
<Laugh>.

Pastor Branson ([00:41:48](#)):
I passed by it not long ago. It was gay pride month, I guess. And they had a huge gay banner flag draped all over the front of their church. And I thought to myself, there's a pastor, this shouldn't even been in a being a pulpit. He couldn't find the truth of God in a 10 acre field.

Pastor Branson ([00:42:14](#)):
Come on.

Pastor Branson ([00:42:15](#)):
Leading people straight to hell.

Pastor Branson ([00:42:17](#)):
Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:42:17](#)):

Along with some others, and I won't go into those. Listen here at the point we embrace and we preach, we teach the truth of God's word.

Pastor Branson ([00:42:30](#)):

Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:42:31](#)):

We preach, we teach the truth of God's word, uncompromising, but also with an unconditional love.

Pastor Branson ([00:42:40](#)):

Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:42:41](#)):

Always. Yes. When I came here as your pastor 12 years ago, we changed the culture of this church. We changed this church into a being, a whosoever will church who's welcome everybody. One of the greatest things about this church is that we love people unconditionally, no matter who God sends into the doors of his church.

Pastor Branson ([00:43:08](#)):

Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:43:09](#)):

That is one of the big reasons that God is blessing this church. There have been people that have said to me, this is a third church or fourth church that I've been at. The other three pretty much told me to hit the road because of my lifestyle, because of the way I look, because of the way I smell, because of what I drive, because of this, because of that. And they said, one of the things that I like about your church pastor, is regardless of who I am in life, my, my, my race, everything about my life, my past, my present, we are welcome here. And I will tell you why you're welcomed here because all of us are sick. We're all sick. Every ask one of us are sick. This is a lot more than a church. It's a hospital. It's where people come to get well.

Pastor Branson ([00:44:00](#)):

Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:44:01](#)):

You come to get well through the teaching of the truth. Amen. Of God's word. We are not handing out placebos on Sunday. We're handing out the real stuff.

Pastor Branson ([00:44:13](#)):

Amen. Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:44:14](#)):

All right. We're not giving you sometimes happy pills,

Pastor Branson ([00:44:20](#)):

<Laugh>.

Pastor Branson ([00:44:21](#)):

Sometimes it's you and I shouldn't feel happy because we're not walking with God and we find ourselves down here at the altering. Guess what? That's the best thing you could do. Because that when you give God your sin, that was what makes you truly happy. I don't want you to listen now. Let's go get heavy. When they preach that way, they are certainly tearing down God's word. It is, again, a direct assault upon God. You can God not get more extreme in your life to say, I am not who I actually am.

([00:45:04](#)):

You can't get more extreme in life. And that's what you're saying when you say anything else other than male or female, you can't get more extreme in life than to say, I am not who I really am. What you have done, when you say that, you listen. What you have done when you say that is you've disconnected yourself from normality. You've disconnected yourself from any kind of a relational, a real relational life. It is the end of your true identity. Yes. Amen. The end of your true identity. You may be making up in an identity, but it's the end of your true God-given nature that he's put in you. You're tinkering with it. Good. You've given that up. You've gotta understand that you've given up everything that's rational, everything that God intended. You've given up the end of your ability to have a marriage. That's a real marriage, a real marriage.

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A real marriage between a man and a woman. That's a real marriage, a real marriage. Man and woman knows Jesus. Loving Jesus is going to be a good marriage. Amen. They're gonna have kids, they're gonna have show the kids the right direction from their example. Amen. It's natural. That's the way God set it up. Amen. You're tinkering with it. Therefore, kids don't know what to believe anymore. What is right? Well, however you get up in the morning, there are no absolutes. You've taken them away. Are you getting me? Yes. Yes. There's no way to reason it out. The reason changes with the wind. Amen. Amen. If we ain't got enough of 70 some or whatever, gen genders, we'll make up some more tomorrow. You have a right. What gender do you wanna be today? How about you? It's the end of your ability to have a real family. The end. It's the end of your ability to connect with society, and it's the end of your ability to really be the person that God intended you to be. And there's one pastor that says, if you choose this lifestyle, it's actually suicide. Because you can look up on the statistics of this. There are a large percentage of people that go into this lifestyle that do truly commit suicide. And if you don't really truly commit suicide, you commit suicide with going down the wrong path because it destroys everything in your life that God really intended your life to be. So to sum up that there are only two genders, male and female. Our gender is no accident. God was purposeful in our creation. We're one and only. Our gender is not determined by a doctor.

([00:48:21](#)):

When it comes, the baby comes out. What did I have? Eh, let's see. Let's flip a coin. It's not determined by a doctor's, not determined by our opinion. Well, I don't like what God had gave me, so I'm gonna make her this. Make him that. It's determined by God and cannot be changed. Amen. Period. Our feelings don't determine our gender.

([00:48:47](#)):

Well, I don't like who I am. Your feelings don't determine it. God's determined it. You know why? Because he knows the yn from the beginning. He knows the wonderful purpose he has for your life if you come to know him as Jesus as your Lord and Savior. In other words, God loved you enough to make

you special. Amen. God loved you enough to make you like no other person in this whole entire world. God loved you enough that he went to the cross and he died on the cross for your sins. That's pretty special. Don't tinker with it.

Pastor Branson ([00:49:14](#)):

Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:49:19](#)):

It's not about making our bodies conform to our feelings. It's about making our feelings conform to the genders God gave us. Well, I'm gonna make my feelings conform to the gender I want to be today. That's not it. Make your feelings conform to the gender that God gave you. You can't change your gender. I don't care what people say. I don't care what Oprah has to say. I don't care what she's got to say about anything. No matter how many surface alterations you do to yourself, and boy, there's a bunch of 'em. Amen. You can go, you can find you a plastic surgeon, and you know you to make your face to be anything you want to. You can put things where they shouldn't be. Take things off. I don't know what you can do with those things. I'm not going into it, but you can kind of follow the bunny trail there, can't you? Yeah. No pun intended. Easters coming.

Pastor Branson ([00:50:18](#)):

<Laugh>

Pastor Branson ([00:50:21](#)):

Make all the alterations you want. See, I got it now. Mm-Hmm. Nope. Still can't tinker with this up here. God wired. You can't rewire your mind. A man will never be a woman, and a woman will never ever be a man. Amen. I don't care what you do.

([00:50:48](#)):

Pastors not saying that. God said it. Now, Bible says in Proverbs chapter 14, 20 12, it says, there is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death. This old world is putting out today false. A false narrative. Not only about homosexuality, but everything else in this world. You know, I was thinking the other day, I was riding down the road and heading to a service and I had a little time on my hands to think. And I do that a lot. And I was thinking there was a song that came on by one of my bluegrass bands. Some of y'all say, what is that? Well, don't worry, y'all just is not up to speed like I am.

([00:51:48](#)):

There was a song played, and the song's title was back in my heyday and what it was talking about, it was talking about my life when I was a little kid and my life when I was being raised in my family, when I was coming up through middle school and high school. And when I went to college and the things, the pure things that I used to do. And I used to have the time of my life. Many of you can relate with me. I mean, I didn't know what all this stuff was when I went to middle school or high school. I didn't have to have my parents go over all the textbooks that I had at school to see if what of any of 'em were right. Supporting this, supporting that. I didn't have to worry about any of that stuff, you know, because we were still honoring the word of God in this nation. Amen? Mm-hmm. <Affirmative>. Amen. We never had any problems about rioting and people doing all this stuff tearing down statues like, and I'm not saying some of those things are right, but I'm saying, folks, we never had that problem. We never had that pro. I've never seen a day where you can't say anything because it's so offensive to others. I used to live in a day that when you said something that was wrong, it was wrong. Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:53:26](#)):

Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:53:27](#)):

And when you said it, people didn't get all up in arms. They didn't have you on the television. No. Because the population for the most part agreed with you because you had common sense. Common sense. There's some things you don't need to think about. Go into the bathroom. Do you know that is a educated guess right now?

Pastor Branson ([00:53:56](#)):

<Laugh>.

Pastor Branson ([00:54:00](#)):

I never thought I'd see the day there are kids actually protesting in their high schools because the high schools have bent to, I guess, putting question marks on the bathrooms. I don't know what they've done, but the girls said, I don't want a boy in my bathroom.

Pastor Branson ([00:54:16](#)):

Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:54:18](#)):

And some people say, well, you can't discriminate on me. The dog gone. I can't. Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:54:25](#)):

Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:54:28](#)):

You're a real man. You see a woman walk in the restroom, your restroom, you need to say something. Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:54:38](#)):

Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:54:40](#)):

And women tell you, women, you don't wanna go in there anyhow. Now, I can't tell you how women's room smells, but don't go in the men's room.

Pastor Branson ([00:54:51](#)):

<Laugh>.

Pastor Branson ([00:54:53](#)):

You ain't got no business in there. I don't like it in there half time either. You saying, pastor, we have lost all sins of common sense. Well, what am I

Pastor Branson ([00:55:10](#)):

<Laugh>?

Pastor Branson ([00:55:11](#)):

Boy, you gotta be a rocket scientist to figure that one out. This message, and I'm closing this message has not been, and I don't want anybody to take it that way here or online. You listen to me, you hear my heart. This message has not been a personal attack on anybody that practices homosexuality or transgenderism. I have not been attacking you. I've been doing my job as a pastor. It's my job to preach the truth. And I've done my best to preach it and love. Now you listen. Now you listen. And I want you to understand this. If you have an objection to anything that you've heard this morning, take it up with God.

Pastor Branson ([00:56:06](#)):

Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:56:07](#)):

I just said what He said. I am just a messenger. That's right. I'm just a vessel. I didn't add anything to what he said. I told you exactly what he said.

Pastor Branson ([00:56:18](#)):

Thank you.

Pastor Branson ([00:56:21](#)):

But like infidelity and unforgiveness and addiction to pornography, drugs, whatever you wanna say, homosexuality and transgenderism is a sin. And it needs to be dealt with. It's a sin. It needs to be dealt with. It is. Listen, you can confess to sin just like any other sin. You can be forgiven of it just like any other sin. You don't have to be that way. You have accepted it. You weren't born that way. You have accepted it into your life because it's been a choice that you've made. Pure and simple. I don't like it. The choice I've made. Then ask God to forgive you. He'll forgive you just like he's forgiven everybody else in this audience. Just like he's forgiven me and you and like he'll continue to forgive us every single day until we go to heaven. False. We've got issues in this congregation today. We got a lot of people that used to be a lot of things before they came to meet Jesus. And still, we got a lot of people that still are doing us from things that they shouldn't do cause they know Jesus. So what I'm saying to you is you're in a bunch of cen. You're around a bunch of sinners this morning, and it starts with me. Yes,

([00:57:31](#)):

I am no different than you. I sin every day. I think things that are wrong and I do things that are wrong. Sometimes I make decisions that are wrong, cut people off when I shouldn't cut 'em off. I do it. You do it. Your sins may not be mine. Mine might be yours, but we're all in the same boat. We're all sinners. Amen. And if you are that way today of that sexual persuasion, or if you know somebody that is you, let them know from this pastor and more importantly from God that they are loved just the way they are, and God will change their life.

Pastor Branson ([00:58:06](#)):

Amen.

Pastor Branson ([00:58:08](#)):

You don't have to get cleaned up to come to God. The Bible says you come to him just as you are. It needs to be dealt with. God loves you unconditionally. And this church, as long as I stand here in this pulpit, this church will love homosexuals and transgenders unconditionally. Amen. You let one come in this church and you let anybody in this church attack 'em. You've picked a fight with me. Now I look sweet and gentle, but I can have a come to Jesus meeting with you in a heartbeat and I will. Because when you come against those people or anybody else that has issues in their life, you come against people that God loves. And I'm here to try to protect this congregation and protect the sheep. We want this to be a place where they come. Amen. Amen. Some saint pious lady told me one time, yeah, God ain't gonna ever bust this place because all you got around here is

Pastor Branson ([00:59:17](#)):

Sinners, <laugh>.

Pastor Branson ([00:59:20](#)):

I'm serious. When I first came here, I said, what are you talking about? Well, you've got this person handing out bulletins and I know about their life. You got this person over here. They're doing this, they're doing this. I know about their life. Now take understand that none of those folks were in leadership positions. How dare you do that? And I said, how dare you talk about 'em. Shut up. I said, I'm gonna tell you something. If I don't let sinners quote, quote sinners to come into this church, how are they gonna know that God loves 'em? If we don't let somebody of a different spirit of different sexual persuasion, hand out a bulletin or park cars or whatever else we ask them to do, how are they gonna hear the word that's gonna take them away from the lifestyle they're in? Let's love them enough to say, you're welcomed here and let God do the work. You're not supposed to do the work. God is. And if we spend more time praying for people than we would criticize them, we would have churches that are full today, Hal Dares or heart dare any church to say anything about folks like that. Hey, you've got a beam in your own eye. That's

Pastor Branson ([01:00:40](#)):

Right.

Pastor Branson ([01:00:42](#)):

Now it gets quiet. Boy, I'm getting riled.

([01:00:48](#)):

If you don't know of his savior this morning, it's your day to come find him. Jesus wants to love you and he loves you with an everlasting love today, so much that you went on the cross and he died on the cross few sins. We're gonna have an altar call today, and here's how the altar call's gonna go. If you're here and you don't know Jesus today, we invite you to come. We're not gonna call your name out. I'm not gonna say anything about you to embarrass you. I promise you, our biggest desire of this church today is for you to find Jesus as your Lord and Savior. Number two, if you know folks that are of this sexual persuasion may be in your family, maybe it's your workplace, may be in your neighborhood. Come down to this altar and lift them up in prayer. Lift them up in prayer. Pray that they will come to find the Lord. If they don't know the Lord or if they do know the Lord. Ask the Lord to convict him of their lifestyle so that they will change their lifestyle. Whatever else it is that you have upon your heart today, you lift it up to the Lord. Okay? That's what the invitation is all about. Let's stand please, as our heads are about and.

