What Does This Church Think of LGBT?
“Topics you always wanted a sermon on” series
I Corinthians 6:9-11; John 8:1-11

PROPOSITION: Every human has unchosen feelings/desires which we need to submit to Jesus. God’s goal for every human on planet earth is the same – redemption, reconciliation and new life!

I. We believe God’s ways are always best
   A. Sin keeps us from heaven
   B. Same sex sexual relations (actions) are sin
   C. We are all sinners
   D. The answer is the gospel
   E. Focus on sin, not just a sin (or sin category) – no despising or excusing
   F. Let this drive you to identify what urges you need to regularly say ‘no’ to

II. What is victory for those with same-sex attractions
   A. A strong relationship with Jesus
   B. An identity based on who we are in Christ
   C. Abstinence from same-sex sex
   D. Notice what is not in this list

III. How are we to respond to the LGBT beliefs or inclinations?
   A. Don’t be pulled in to a trap, but reframe it
   B. See the person not just issue
   C. Offer the path of hope and healing (law can not change a heart)
   D. “Fear of the Lord” is the beginning of wisdom - Never compromise God’s truth

IV. What about the modern challenges?
   A. I was born this way
   B. You Christians today are just against things, you are so narrow-minded and bigoted
   C. The Bible verses don’t apply to loving same sex committed relationships
   D. Jesus never mentions homosexuality or same-sex marriages
   E. Other

V. Follow-up question: Should a committed Christian go to a same-sex marriage ceremony?

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