

Marriage and Human Sexuality

Based on Holy Scripture and the constant moral teaching of Jesus' Body the Church, we believe:

MARRIAGE

Modern Day Evangelistic Missions, defines marriage as the permanent, exclusive, comprehensive, and conjugal "one flesh" union of one man and one woman, intrinsically ordered to procreation and biological family, and in furtherance of the moral, spiritual, and public good of binding father, mother, and child. (Genesis 1:27-28; Genesis 2:18-24; Matthew 19:4-9; Mark 10:5-9; Ephesians 5:31-33)

SEXUAL IMMORALITY

Modern Day Evangelistic Missions believes that sexual acts outside marriage are prohibited as sinful. Consequently, all persons employed by Modern Day Evangelistic Missions, in any capacity, or who serve as volunteers, as well as students and interns must resist and refrain from any and all sexual acts outside marriage — including but not limited to co-habitation, adultery, fornication, incest, zoophilia, pornography, prostitution, voyeurism, pedophilia, exhibitionism, sodomy, polygamy, polyamory, sologamy, or same-sex sexual acts. (Exodus 20:14; Leviticus 18:7-23; Leviticus 20:10-21; Deuteronomy 5:18; Matthew 15:19; Matthew 5:27-28; Matthew 15:19; Romans 1:26-27; 1 Corinthians 6:9-13; 1 Thessalonians 4:3; Hebrews 13:4; Galatians 5:19; Ephesians 4:17-19; Colossians 3:5)

SEXUAL IDENTITY

Modern Day Evangelistic Missions believes that God created mankind in His image: male (man) and female (woman), sexually different but with equal personal dignity. Consequently, all persons employed by Modern Day Evangelistic Missions, in any capacity, or who serve as volunteers, as well as students and interns must affirm their biological sex and refrain from any and all attempts to physically change, alter, or disagree with their created predominant biological sex — including but not limited to elective sex-reassignment, transvestite, transgender, or non-binary "genderqueer" acts or conduct. (Genesis 1:26-28; Romans 1:26-32; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11)

SEXUAL ORIENTATION

Modern Day Evangelistic Missions, believes that God created and ordered human sexuality for the permanent, exclusive, comprehensive, and conjugal "one flesh" union of man and woman, intrinsically ordered to procreation and biological family, and in furtherance of the moral, spiritual, and public good of binding father, mother, and child. Consequently, all persons employed by Modern Day Evangelistic Missions, in any capacity, or who serve as volunteers, as well as students and interns must affirm the sexual complementarity of man and woman and resist the temptations of same-sex sexual attractions and refrain from any and all same-sex sexual acts or conduct, which are evidences of the whole world groaning under sin and are outside of God's designed order for human flourishing and His Glory. (Genesis 1:27; Genesis 2:24;

Matthew 19:4-6; Mark 10:5-9; Romans 1:26-27; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11; Ephesians 5:25-27; Revelation 19:7-9; Revelation 21:2)

SEXUAL REDEMPTION

Modern Day Evangelistic Missions believes that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God and therefore redemption, forgiveness, and spiritual cleansing is available for all sins. Consequently, all persons employed by Modern Day Evangelistic Missions, in any capacity, or who serve as volunteers, as well as students and interns must welcome and treat with respect, compassion, and sensitivity all who experience same-sex attractions or confess sexually immoral acts but are committed to resisting sexual temptation, refraining from sexual immorality, and conforming their behavior to the Modern Day Evangelistic Missions, Statement on Marriage and Human Sexuality. (Matthew 11:28-30; Romans 3:23; Ephesians 2:1-10; 1 Corinthians 10:13; Hebrews 2:17-18; Hebrews 4:14-16; 1 John 1:9)

CELIBACY

Modern Day Evangelistic Missions believes that Holy Scripture grants two life-enhancing options for human sexual behavior: (1) the conjugal "one flesh" marital union of one man and one woman, and (2) celibacy. Either is a gift from God, given as He wills for His glory and the good of those who receive and rejoice in His gift to them. Celibacy and faithful singleness is to be celebrated and affirmed within Modern Day Evangelistic Missions (Genesis 1:27-28; 2:18; 21:24; Matthew 19:4-6; Mark 10:5-8; Hebrews 13:4; 1 Corinthians 7:1-8; Matthew 19:12; Matthew 19:12; Romans 12:10; 1 Timothy 5:1-2)