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Homosexuals and the Gospel, Part 1 – Discussion Guide

Section 1

Discuss what you applied in the past seven days from the last Overflow Show.

Read 1 Corinthians 6:9-11

What are several ramifications of the past tense of verse 11?

Which of the sins listed in :9-:10 might you possibly be guilty of during some period of your life?

Section 2

Go to www.OverflowShow.com and listen to the 5-minute podcast titled Homosexuals and the Gospel-1.

Section 3

What did you think? What stood out to you as you listened?

How would you answer someone who criticized you for spending time with a gay person?

Allen Chambers says that homosexuality is not primarily an issue of sexual attraction. What does he say is the main issue?

Can homosexuals change and in what ways? (Be sure and listen to Part 2 of this show for more on this question).

What does the book recommend regarding **questions** you can ask to better connect personally with a homosexual friend?

What are **venues and settings** and what important attitudes do you need to have in those contexts?

What are some ideas for **meeting tangible needs** in a homosexual acquaintance's life?

What do we ultimately need to remember about reaching out to homosexuals in spite questions, connection points, and meeting tangible needs? Explain.

Section 4

Discuss some ways we could apply a few of these principles in the next 7 days?

One suggestion (if needed): Spend 5 minutes now in the group silently journaling. Each group member could write down the name of a homosexual acquaintance or friend, even if it is just someone who serves you at a store or business. Then plan in the next 7 days how you will interact with that person in one of the following 3 ways:

Questions, venues and settings, or meeting tangible needs.

Meet back next week to report on the encounter.

Overflow enthusiastically recommends the book God's Grace and the Homosexual Next Door, by Allen Chambers, from Harvest House Publishers.

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