

# Marriage and Relationship Consultation Resources

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**The 2014 Conference urged the Methodist people to engage with each other about matters relating to marriage and human relationships.**

**Whilst MET does not necessarily endorse their contents entirely, the following are useful resources from an evangelical theological perspective to enable informed engagement with these matters.**

## BIBLICAL STUDIES

### Books:

Rene Gehrin, *The Biblical One Flesh Theology of Marriage as Constituted in Genesis 2: 24* (Wipf & Stock 2013)

Ken M Campbell *Marriage and Family in the Biblical World* (IVP 2009)

Martin Davie *Studies on the Bible and same-sex relationships since 2003* (Gilead Books/Church of England Evangelical Council 2015)

Kevin DeYoung *What does the Bible Really Teach About Homosexuality?* (IVP 2015)

Robert A. J. Gagnon *The Bible and Homosexual Practice: Texts and Hermeneutics* (Abingdon Press 2002)

Andrew Goddard, Don Horrocks (eds) *Biblical And Pastoral Responses to Homosexuality* (Evangelical Alliance, 2011)

Stanley J. Grenz *Welcoming But Not Affirming: An Evangelical Response to Homosexuality* (Westminster John Know Press 1998)

William J. Webb *Slaves, Women and Homosexuals: Exploring the Hermeneutics of Cultural Analysis* (IVP 2001)

### Webpages

Brian J. Dodd *Paul, Homosexuality, and 1 Corinthians 6:9-11*

<http://www.catalystresources.org/paul-homosexuality-and-1-corinthians-69...>

Greg Downes *The Bible and Homosexuality*

<http://www.premierchristianity.com/Featured-Topics/Homosexuality/The-Bib...>

### Articles:

Kevin Jones *The Theology of Marriage\**

Kevin Jones: *The Three Loves\**

Maranatha Community *Healing, Wholeness and Homosexuality\**

Maranatha Community *Homosexuality, The Medical, Social and Religious Implications \**

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## PASTORAL FOCUS:

### Books

Sam Allberry *Is God anti-gay? (Questions Christians Ask)* (The Good Book Company 2013)

Wesley Hill *Washed and Waiting: Reflections on Christian Faithfulness and Homosexuality* (Zondervan: 2010)

Thomas E. Schmidt, *Straight & Narrow?: Compassion and Clarity in the Homosexuality Debate* (IVP 1995)  
Ed Shaw *The Plausibility Problem: The Church and Same-Sex Attraction* (IVP 2015)  
Alex Tylee *Walking with Gay Friends: A Journey of Informed Compassion* (IVP 2007)  
*Homosexuality and the Christian: A Guide For Parents, Pastors, And Friends*  
Bethany House Publishers (1 Sept. 2010)  
Corey Widmer, *Traditional Sexuality, Radical Community*  
Jenell Williams Paris *The End of Sexual Identity* (IVP 2011)  
Christopher & Angela Yuan *Out of a Far Country* (Waterbrook 2011)

#### Web pages

Ed Shaw *Christians and same-sex attraction: the other side of the story* {a response to Vicky Beeching)

<http://www.eauk.org/church/stories/christians-and-same-sex-attraction-th...>

Evangelical Alliance Marriage FAQ

<http://www.eauk.org/current-affairs/politics/marriage-faqs.cfm> Evangelical Alliance

Resources for church leaders - Biblical and pastoral responses to homosexuality

<http://www.eauk.org/church/resources/theological-articles/resources-for-...>

Julie Rodgers *Can the Gay be a Good?*

<https://julierodgers.wordpress.com/>

#### Websites

Living Out aims

- to help Christian brothers and sisters who experience same-sex attraction stay faithful to Biblical teaching on sexual ethics and flourish at the same time.
- To help the Christian Church understand how they can better help those who experience same-sex attraction to flourish.
- To help the wider world hear and understand that there is more than just one viable script for those who are same-sex attracted.

<http://www.livingout.org/>

True Freedom Trust (TfT) is a confidential Christian support and teaching ministry that holds to authentically biblical teaching on sexuality. It offers support to individuals who experience same-sex attraction, but who choose not to embrace a gay identity or to pursue a same-sex relationship because of convictions of faith. It also supports families, friends and church leaders of those who experience same-sex attraction.

<http://www.truefreedomtrust.co.uk/>