Homosexuality

Leviticus 18:22; 20:13; 1 Corinthians 6:9-10
Church’s challenge – live right in all aspects of Bible.

“Arguments for Homosexuality”
1. “Jesus never condemned it” argument (Matthew 19:9, 18; 15:19)
2. “I was born this way argument.”
   A. Simon LeVay
      a. 1991 study looking at the hypothalamus.
      b. LeVay reported that the hypothalamus of homosexual men was different than the hypothalamus of heterosexual men.
      c. Problems:
         1. The results of his study have never been reproduced.
         2. Of the 19 homosexual individuals used in the study, all had died of AIDS, which decreases testosterone, which reduces hypothalamus size.
         3. Which came first?
         4. LeVay himself said: It’s important to stress what I didn’t find. I did not prove that homosexuality is genetic, or find a genetic cause for being gay. I didn’t show that gay men are born that way, the most common mistake people make in interpreting my work. Nor did I locate a gay center in the brain
   B. Bailey and Pillard
      a. The twin experiment. 56 pairs of identical twins, 54 pairs of fraternal twins, 142 non-twin brothers of twins, and 57 pairs of adoptive brothers
      b. Their findings:
         KEY FINDING: If there was, in fact, a “gay gene,” then all of the identical twins should have reported a homosexual orientation
         o Other key finding – 11% of adoptive brothers vs. 9.2% of non-twin brothers… More environmental
   C. Dean Hamer – q28 on the X Chromosome
      a. Male homosexuality allegedly linked to a gene on the X chromosome.
      b. One of the most significant problems with Hamer’s approach is that he and his colleagues did not feel that it was necessary to check whether any of the heterosexual men in these families shared the marker in question!
      c. Additionally, Hamer never explained why the other seven pairs of brothers did not display the same genetic marker. If this is “the gene” for homosexuality, then one must assume all homosexual individuals would possess that particular marker—and yet that was not the case in Hamer’s study.

Final Evidence against the gay gene: Changeability
   Type 1 Diabetes; Down’s Syndrome… Vs. homosexuality.

If we cannot help but be homosexual, explain 2 Peter 3:9; 1 Corinthians 10:13. Which is incorrect? The Bible or the “experts”??