

Lipscomb students celebrate National Coming Out Day by [Abbi Scott | Oct 12, 2018.](#)

“In recognition of National Coming Out Day, Lipscomb’s LGBTQ+ students painted the Bison rainbow colors, standing around it from early morning until evening on Thursday in support of the LGBT community on campus. Throughout the day, doughnuts were handed out, faces were painted and conversations took place.

“This is about the freedom to be who you are, especially on this campus,” student Aria Bartley said. “There’s a difference between acceptance and supporting, and although not everyone is going to be supportive, this is about learning to accept everyone for who they are.” The students had conversations with the student body and sought to educate outsiders on what it means to be a part of the LGBT community to anybody who stopped by the community gathering around the Bison.

“This is a day where we get to be outwardly who we are and celebrate that,” student Lis Leudemann said. “We also encourage other people who are too afraid of the Lipscomb environment to come out and join.” LGBT students said this day was also an attempt to encourage students not to fear their sexual identities, as some people say they find their sexuality and spirituality in conflict.

Dr. Paul Prill, director of the Honors College, is an unofficial advocate for these students. Prill was outside with the students throughout the afternoon, sporting a rainbow bowtie. President Randy Lowry attended a dinner for the students on Wednesday night in order to have conversation about their experiences on campus.

Student life representative Dannie Woods also acts as an LGBT student Liaison.

(Oct. 9, 2018, *Lumination* student paper)—“In a step toward further acknowledgment of the LGBTQ+ student population, Lipscomb has hired an official liaison to improve relations with that community.)

Dannie Woods, an alumna of Lipscomb, joined the Student Life office in November 2017 to “be a bridge-builder between Student Life and our LGBT student community.”

1 Corinthians 6

1. God declares that people who practice homosexuality are unrighteous.

(vs. 9)

- 1. Homosexuals; Strong's Lexicon:
“soft , effeminate. metaph. in a bad sense effeminate; of a catamite of a boy kept for homosexual relations with a man.”
- 2. Sodomites; Strong's Lexicon:
“One who lies with a male as with a female, sodomite, homosexual.”

In the time of Abraham

And they called to Lot and said to him, “Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may know them carnally.” So Lot went out to them through the doorway, shut the door behind him, and said, “Please, my brethren, do not do so wickedly!

(Genesis 19:5-7)

In the time of Abraham

...As Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities around them in a similar manner to these, having given themselves over to sexual immorality and gone after strange flesh, are set forth as an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

(Jude 1:7)

In the time of Abraham

...Assuredly, I say to you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment than for that city!

(Matthew 10:15)

In the Law of Moses

You shall not lie with a male as with a woman. It is an abomination. Nor shall you mate with any animal, to defile yourself with it. Nor shall any woman stand before an animal to mate with it. It is perversion.

(Leviticus 18:22)

In the Law of Moses

If a man lies with a male as he lies with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination. They shall surely be put to death. Their blood shall be upon them.

(Leviticus 20:13)

Now we know that the law is good, if one uses it lawfully, understanding this, that the law is not laid down for the just but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who strike their fathers and mothers, for murderers, the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality, enslavers, liars, perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine, in accordance with the gospel of the glory of the blessed God with which I have been entrusted.

(1 Timothy 1:8-11)

1 Corinthians 6

2. People who practice this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

(vs. 9)

...As Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities around them in a similar manner to these, having given themselves over to sexual immorality and gone after strange flesh, are set forth as an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

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1 Corinthians 6

3. Deception commonly accompanies discussion of homosexuality.

(vs. 9)

Deceptions:

- “It is not a choice. It is how you were made.”

Deceptions:

- “Animals do it.”

Deceptions:

- “Jesus is about love, not hate.”

Deceptions:

- “If you’ve ever been tempted, you are a homosexual.”

1 Corinthians 6

4. The practice of
homosexuality is something
requiring God's forgiveness
(vs. 11)

Romans 1

5. God decides what is natural. (vs. 26-27)

So God created man in his *own* image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

(Genesis 1:27-28)

Romans 1

6. Homosexuality by
males or females is
equally sinful.

(vs. 26-27)

Romans 1

7. The greatest threat to the church is that we will approve homosexuality. (vs. 32)