

What we believe:

about Human Sexuality
and Marriage

New
Prestwick
Baptist
Church
Position
Statement
on Human
Sexuality
and
Marriage

New Prestwick Baptist Church (NPBC) holds to the traditional Christian ethic:

Sexual intimacy is a gift from God and is to be enjoyed exclusively within the context of marriage;
Marriage is, by definition, heterosexual.

In the
beginning
God
created
Adam
and Eve

*"So God created man in his own
image,
in the image of God he created
him;
male and female he created
them."*

(Genesis 1:27)

Two Genders, defined by
creation.

Despite pressures from society, NPBC will continue to uphold the traditional biblical view that:

1. Sexual activity is a gift to be enjoyed only within (heterosexual) marriage and that, outside of this setting, it is sinful.

"Marriage should be honoured by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral."

(Hebrews 13:4)

2. Marriage involves a man and woman, bound together in covenant relationship – a relationship that cannot be redefined.

23 The man said,

*“This is now bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
she shall be called ‘woman,’
for she was taken out of
man.”*

*24 For this reason a man will
leave his father and mother and
be united to his wife, and they
will become one flesh.”* (Genesis
2:22–24)

3. Forgiveness and grace extend to all repentant sinners – including those for whom sexual sin has formed a major part of their backgrounds.

"Do you not know that the wicked will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers nor male prostitutes nor homosexual offenders ¹⁰ nor thieves nor the greedy nor drunkards nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. ¹¹ And that is what some of you were. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God." (1 Corinthians 6:9–11)