

# The First Stone Homosexuality And The United Church

*Elenchus of Biblica* - Robert North 1995

*Against Judicial Activism* - Rory Leishman 2006

For instance, the British Columbia Human Rights Tribunal and Supreme Court read a ban on discrimination on the ground of transsexualism as being part of the province's human rights code."--BOOK JACKET.

*God Loves Gay Women* - Reverend Bonnie Kelly  
2014-02-28

Honest, faithful people are wondering if the Bible is really telling them to hate gay people. This book is a reasoned response to that inquiry. It deals with the Scriptures most often cited to

justify homophobia and provides a more loving interpretation. Six lesbians tell their story and how the Church has impacted their lives. Families and clergy are given clear guidelines on how to offer support and kindness to this marginalized and maligned group of women. This is an important book for our time. Homophobia, cruelty, and denial of human dignity to all gay people at home and globally have re-emerged, much of it fueled by false and malicious biblical interpretation.

*First Stone* - Michael Riordon 1991-10-01

*Welcoming But Not Affirming* - Stanley James

Grenz 1998-01-01

A respected evangelical speaks out on the church's most controversial issue, proposing that it is possible for Christian communities to welcome homosexuals without affirming same-sex unions.

**Saskatchewan Law Review** - 1998

Making Sense of the Bible - Adam Hamilton  
2014-03-18

Denominations from evangelical to mainline continue to experience deep divisions over universal social issues. The underlying debate isn't about a particular social issue, but instead it is about how we understand the nature of scripture and how we should interpret it. The world's bestselling, most-read, and most-loved book is also one of the most confusing. In *Making Sense of the Bible*, Adam Hamilton, one of the country's leading pastors and Christian authors, addresses the hot-button issues that plague the church and cultural debate, and

answers many of the questions frequently asked by Christians and non-Christians alike. Did God really command Moses to put gay people to death? Did Jesus really teach that everyone who is not a Christian will be assigned to hell? Why would Paul command women to "keep silent in the church?" Were Adam and Eve real people? Is the book of Revelation really about the end times? Who decided which books made it into the scriptures and why? Is the Bible ever wrong? In approachable and inviting language, Hamilton addresses these often misunderstood biblical themes leading readers to a deeper appreciation of the Bible so that we might hear God speak through it and find its words to be life-changing and life-giving.

**Homosexuality and Religion** - Jeffrey S. Siker  
2006-11-30

Few issues today cause more public - and private - debate than the interaction of homosexuality and religion. From the question of gay marriage to the place of gays and lesbians within faith

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communities, religious leaders and lay members must deal with these issues for now and for years to come. What is the historical position of the major denominations? How are people of faith balancing their beliefs? This encyclopedia provides an overview of the various attitudes and responses that religions have had to the presence of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered persons within their communities. This is the most comprehensive volume to date on the intersections between religion and homosexuality.

**Canada the Good** - Marcel Martel 2014-03-27

To invest in vice can be a sound financial decision, but despite the lure of healthy profits, individuals and mutual funds have been reluctant to invest in this type of stock. After all, who would take pride in supporting the tobacco industry, knowing it sells a deadly product? And what social responsibilities do investors bear with respect to compulsive gamblers who have lost so much money that suicide becomes an

attractive option? Canada the Good considers more than five hundred years of debates and regulation that have conditioned Canadians' attitudes towards certain vices. Early European settlers implemented a Christian moral order that regulated sexual behaviour, gambling, and drinking. Later, some transgressions were diagnosed as health issues that required treatment. Those who refused the label of illness argued that behaviours formerly deemed as vices were within the range of normal human behaviour. This historical synthesis demonstrates how moral regulation has changed over time, how it has shaped Canadians' lives, why some debates have almost disappeared and others persist, and why some individuals and groups have felt empowered to tackle collective social issues. Against the background of the evolution of the state, the enlargement of the body politic, and mounting forays into court activism, the author illustrates the complexity over time of various forms of social regulation

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and the control of vice.

### **Gay Canada** - Alex Spence 2001

"Gay Canada is a bibliographic record of major print and filmed works relating to Canadian gay and lesbian life from 1984 to 2000, with substantiation coverage also for 2001 and early 2002. It is an essential source for libraries, students of sexual diversity studies, and archivists. "Gay Canada is an accessible and serious research tool, a collection of important and fascinating information. This revised and expanded edition incorporates, in particular, results of a detailed search of the National Library of Canada's online union catalogue, AMICUS. It reflects also re-examination of sources checked earlier in order to retrieve some works indexed too late for inclusion in the first edition. A small number of errors discovered in the first edition have been corrected. In this revised edition, the Addendum of the first edition has been combined with the new items uncovered to produce the Supplement section.

### **God and the Gay Christian** - Matthew Vines 2014-04-22

"God and the Gay Christian is a game changer. Winsome, accessible, and carefully researched, every page is brought to life by the author's clear love for Scripture and deep, persistent faith. With this book, Matthew Vines emerges as one of my generation's most important Christian leaders, not only on matters of sexuality but also on what it means to follow Jesus with wisdom, humility, and grace. Prepare to be challenged and enlightened, provoked and inspired. Read with an open heart and mind, and you are bound to be changed." — Rachel Held Evans, author of *A Year of Biblical Womanhood and Faith Unraveled* As a young Christian man, Matthew Vines harbored the same basic hopes of most young people: to someday share his life with someone, to build a family of his own, to give and receive love. But when he realized he was gay, those hopes were called into question. The Bible, he'd been taught, condemned gay

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relationships. Feeling the tension between his understanding of the Bible and the reality of his same-sex orientation, Vines devoted years of intensive research into what the Bible says about homosexuality. With care and precision, Vines asked questions such as: • Do biblical teachings on the marriage covenant preclude same-sex marriage or not? • How should we apply the teachings of Jesus to the gay debate? • What does the story of Sodom and Gomorrah really say about human relationships? • Can celibacy be a calling when it is mandated, not chosen? • What did Paul have in mind when he warned against same-sex relations? Unique in its affirmation of both an orthodox faith and sexual diversity, God and the Gay Christian is likely to spark heated debate, sincere soul searching, even widespread cultural change. Not only is it a compelling interpretation of key biblical texts about same-sex relations, it is also the story of a young man navigating relationships with his family, his hometown church, and the Christian

church at large as he expresses what it means to be a faithful gay Christian.

*The Persistent Prison?* - Maeve Winifred McMahon 1992-01-01

The Prison system is widely believed to be an immutable element of contemporary society. Many criminologists and sociologists of deviance believe that decarceration movements have failed to yield progressive reform, and that feasible alternatives to the prison system do not exist. Maeve McMahon challenges these views. Reconstructing the emergence of critical perspectives on decarceration, she examines analytical and empirical problems in the research. She also points out how indicators of community programs and other penalties serving as alternatives to prison have typically been overshadowed through critical focus on their effects in 'widening the net' of control. McMahon presents a detailed analysis of decreasing imprisonment, and of the part played by alternatives in this, during the postwar period

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in Ontario. Drawing from extensive documentary research, and from interviews with former correctional officials, she charts the changing climates of opinions, and socio-economic factors, which facilitated decarceration. By situating her analysis in the context of theoretical and political arguments about the possibility of decarceration, McMahon provides in her work a stimulus to the development of progressive penal politics not just in Canada, but in all western countries.

**The First Stone** - Michael Riordon 1990

*An Unauthorized Biography of the World* - Michael Riordon 2004

An Unauthorized Biography of the World explores the practice of engaged oral history: the difficult, sometimes dangerous work of recovering fragments of human story that have gone missing from the official versions. Michael Riordon has thirty years' experience as a writer and broadcaster in the field. Readers

will encounter a gallery of brave, passionate people who gather silenced voices and lost life stories. The canvas is broad, the stakes are high: the battles for First Nations lands in Canada; environmental justice in Chicago; genocide in Peru; homeless people organizing in Cleveland; September 11/01, and after, in New York City; gay survivors of electroshock in Britain; the struggle to preserve a people's identity in Newfoundland; peasant resistance to a huge transnational gold mine in Turkey.

*To Set the Captives Free* - Oscar L. Arnal 1998  
Oscar Cole Arnal is Professor of Church History at the Waterloo Lutheran Seminary.

*Journal of the History of Sexuality* - 2003

[The Search for a Symbol](#) - William R. H. Haughton 2022-03-24

"A New Creed" is, by all accounts, a dominant feature of The United Church of Canada. Since its initial writing in 1968, it has come to be a primary symbol of the denomination in the

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ancient Christian (baptismal) sense of the word and also in the modern. The Search for a Symbol reveals the fascinating and largely untold story of “A New Creed’s” origins. It also engages in an unprecedented historical, literary, and theological analysis of the creed’s text. This book offers the provocative argument that though “A New Creed” should continue to have a place in the life and liturgy of Canada’s largest Protestant church, it does not take full advantage of the possible benefits that can come from healthy practices of creedal confession—namely teaching people about the biblical story of salvation as well as connecting them in relationship with God and one another. For these purposes, the Apostles’ and Nicene Creeds are shown to be better confessional

options, and readily available ones within The United Church’s tradition.

*The Canadian Forum* - Charles Bruce Sissons  
1990

Includes critical reviews.

*A Sentinel on the Street* - Elizabeth Townsend  
1999

*The Westminster Handbook to Women in American Religious History* - Susan Hill Lindley  
2008-01-01

The Westminster Handbook to Women in American Religious History provides an affordable and accessible reference to over 750 outstanding individual women and women's organizations in American religious history.--  
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