

## Healing Homosexuality By Joseph Nicolosi

The Bible's condemnation of homosexuality is a fallacious doctrine based on incorrect scriptural translation. This book reveals interpretative inconsistencies; provides an accurate and contextual understanding of the various 'homosexual' passages, by sharing relevant cultural, religious and historical information. It clarifies what the Bible actually teaches about homosexuality. As a black Christian minister, Rev. K. Darnell Giles has taken a deeper look at the Biblical scriptures and shares what others have not wanted to say or hear about homosexuality. 'What Did Jesus Say?' teaches people how to love, understand and respect homosexuals in a way that does not compromise their religious or personal belief systems...in the same manner that Jesus taught. It proves that a person's homosexual orientation does not make them a sinner. Once ignorance is dispelled, we will no longer be afraid to embrace and support our gay loved ones. Then we will begin to save more lives and souls.

Is change possible? Pioneering therapist Joseph Nicolosi, Ph.D. offers a fascinating exploration of his unique therapeutic approach to male homosexuality.. The reader is invited to observe Dr. Nicolosi in actual conversation and interaction with a representative





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pastoral programs to help homosexual men and women live the Gospel to the full.” Father John F. Harvey Founder of Courage For more than thirty years, Courage has been helping same-sex-attracted Catholic men and women to lead chaste lives. This book will relate not just the history of the apostolate but how and why it was founded. It will introduce readers to the numerous souls whose lives were changed by following the goals of Courage and who found peace, understanding, and joy in choosing a life of chastity. This book is an attempt to tell the story of Courage from the point of view of a member. Founded in 1980 in New York, Courage has grown into an international organization. Yet its very existence seems to defy the tide of the popular culture. In spite of pressure on all sides and even from inside the Church, Courage continues to stress the traditional teachings of the Church. While society’s attitudes toward sexuality have changed, the teachings of the Church have not. It is possible that of all the Church’s teachings, none has been more distorted and misunderstood than the teaching regarding human sexuality. Yet the Church could not be more clear: all of us, homosexual and heterosexual, are called to be chaste.

From the Introduction This book is about passing on the faith from generation to generation, throughout the milestones of a person's life. Faith is created and nurtured by the Holy Spirit through the Gospels. The

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vision underlying the RADICAL model was developed in light of the theological principle that faith is formed by the Holy Spirit through personal, trusted relationships, often, but not always, in our own homes. A youth and family ministry for the 21st century connects all the generations in the total ministry of the congregation and, through the cross of Christ, recognizes the work of the Holy Spirit shaping faith in all the circles of relationships. This revised edition expands on the authors' original model in an all-new chapter on the circle of creation. This edition has also been updated throughout in light of new ideas and research that have emerged during the past decade.

Catholic health care is about ethics but also "ethos" – not only what we shouldn't do but a vision for what we should do with love. The issues it faces don't just concern academic bioethicists – they concern every faithful Catholic doctor, nurse, practitioner, and even patient. Modern medical practitioners on the ground, day-in, day-out, wrestling with medical moral matters, witnessing what is happening in American medicine today, while also striving to witness to their Catholic faith in living out their medical vocation – these are the primary authors of this unique book, and these are the readers it hopes to serve. Catholic Witness in Health Care integrates the theoretical presentation of Catholic medical ethics with real life practice. It begins with fundamental elements of

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Catholic care, touching upon Scripture, moral philosophy, theology, Christian anthropology, and pastoral care. The second part features Catholic clinicians illuminating authentic Catholic medical care in their various medical disciplines: gynecology and reproductive medicine, fertility, pediatrics, geriatrics, critical care, surgery, rehabilitation, psychology, and pharmacy. Part three offers unique perspectives concerning medical education, research, and practice, with an eye toward creating a cultural shift to an authentically Catholic medical ethos. Readers of this book will learn essential elements upon which the ethics of Catholic medical practice is founded and gain insights into practicing medicine and caring for others in an authentically Catholic way.

Gagnon offers the most thorough analysis to date of the biblical texts relating to homosexuality. He demonstrates why attempts to classify the Bible's rejection of same-sex intercourse as irrelevant for our contemporary context fail to do justice to the biblical texts and to current scientific data. Gagnon's book powerfully challenges attempts to identify love and inclusivity with affirmation of homosexual practice. . . . the most sophisticated and convincing examination of the biblical data for our time. —Jürgen Becker, Professor of New Testament, Christian-Albrechts University

Healing Homosexuality  
Case Stories of Reparative Therapy  
Jason Aronson

This book is primarily for those persons drawn towards

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homosexuality and who seek practical advice in order to change, or, at least, to deal with it constructively and responsibly.

Homosexuality: is it learned, biological or both? The answer to this question deeply concerns parents. They want to know how they can best raise their children. A common belief today is that nothing can be done to foster the development of healthy heterosexual orientation in children. But the clinical experience and professional research of Dr. Nicolosi and others indicates otherwise. In this groundbreaking book Joseph and Linda Ames Nicolosi uncover the most significant factors that contribute to a child's healthy sense of self as male or female. Listening to moving recollections from ex-homosexual men and women who describe what was missing in their own childhoods, the Nicolosis provide clear insight for identifying potential developmental roadblocks and give practical advice to parents for helping their children securely identify with their gender. Replete with personal stories from parents, children and ex-homosexual strugglers, *A Parent's Guide to Preventing Homosexuality* offers compassion and hope for all those parents who seek to lay a foundation for a healthy heterosexual identity in their children.

An annotated bibliography includes information on the role of libraries in sex education

**HOPE AND HEALING FOR FAMILIES** Out of his own experience and the experience of many of those he has served in his counseling practice, Richard Cohen sets out a step-by-step plan that offers a path toward renewed family relationships grounded in love, faith and

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mutual respect.

Freedom Realized is a passionate call to hold the front line of holiness concerning true and lasting freedom in Christ, as well as a practical ministry guide for “ex-gay” ministries, pastoral care ministries that really help people overcome homosexuality

Queerness and Christianity, often depicted as mutually exclusive, both challenge received notions of the good and the natural. Nowhere is this challenge more visible than in the identities, faiths, and communities that queer Christians have long been creating. As Christians they have staked a claim for a Christianity that is true to their self-understandings. How do queer-identified persons understand their religious lives? And in what ways do the lived experiences of queer Christians respond to traditions and reshape them in contemporary practice? Queer Christianities integrates the perspectives of queer theory, religious studies, and Christian theology into a lively conversation—both transgressive and traditional—about the fundamental questions surrounding the lives of queer Christians. The volume contributes to the emerging scholarly discussion on queer religious experiences as lived both within communities of Christian confession, as well as outside of these established communities. Organized around traditional Christian states of life—celibacy, matrimony, and what is here provocatively conceptualized as promiscuity—this work reflects the ways in which queer Christians continually reconstruct and multiply the forms these states of life take. Queer Christianities challenges received ideas about sexuality and religion, yet remains

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true to Christian self-understandings that are open to further enquiry and to further queerness.

Provides a survey of current research on homosexuality, covering all disciplines from history and anthropology to genetics and psychotherapy

As the founder and director of the Courage and Encourage support groups, Fr. John Harvey is aware of the sensitive nature of homosexuality. With his extensive experience ministering to those with same-sex attraction, Fr. Harvey presents the Church's teaching in an objective and pastorally-sensitive manner. Priests, religious, and laity alike will benefit from the many questions considered here, including: What is the basis of the Church's teaching regarding homosexuality? What do many consider to be the cause of same-sex attraction? Can a person overcome same-sex attraction? Why is it important for civil law to limit marriage to one man and one woman? How can a person live the virtue of chastity joyfully?

Publicity about the homosexual lifestyle has become so commonplace that many people believe its messages that homosexuality is genetic and that being gay is as natural as being heterosexual. But are these statements accurate? Noted researchers John Ankerberg and John Weldon critique relevant scientific studies & examine gay politics to discuss the social ramifications behind the gay movement: Is the scientific research on homosexuality accurate? How influential is the homosexual community in America? How should the church respond to homosexual issues & arguments? This book will give you the information you need to understand & evaluate the

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homosexual agenda & how it relates to biblical truth. Originally published in 1993 as "Healing Homosexuality, Case Stories of Reparative Therapy" introduces an assortment of Dr. Nicolosi's clients as they undertake the lifelong journey to realign their sexual and romantic desires with their true-gendered natures. These men, and hundreds like them, told the author, a distinguished clinical psychologist, "I wasn't born this way. Gay is not who I am. I know, on some deep level, that something happened to me when I was growing up which derailed my heterosexual development." How do you help such men? As with psychotherapy for any unwanted condition, Reparative Therapy does not aim to "erase" a client's problems. Rather, it sets the motivated client on a pathway toward transforming his compelling, unwanted desires from foreground into background. He comes to understand the underlying motivations that drive him in this unwanted direction; he develops compassion for himself as a struggler; and he acquires tools to deal effectively with those attractions when they resurface, from time to time, during his lifetime. "Case Stories" shows how this transformation can come about through Reparative Therapy(TM), a carefully structured course of probing dialog and genuine conversation designed to assist the client in discovering the key moments and circumstances that derailed his early sexual development and to guide him on the way to a more serene engagement with life, love and sexuality. Learn to reach out to these hidden Christians! Offering a wide variety of points of view from the welcoming to the traditional, Pastoral Care and Counseling in Sexual

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Diversity addresses one of the crucial issues facing the church in these shifting times. Pastors of all Christian churches, whatever their denomination or theology, are likely to be faced with pastoral care or counseling of someone who is lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgendered. This valuable compendium examines various ways you can meet the spiritual and psychological needs of these members of your congregation. Pastoral Care and Counseling in Sexual Diversity addresses the basic problems of sexual diversity, including definitions of sexual orientations and issues of human development. It offers wise guidance for offering pastoral care and counseling, and it provides tested solutions for the problems counselors face in dealing with these individuals. Pastoral Care and Counseling in Sexual Diversity offers thought-provoking points of view on a wide range of issues, including: changes in attitudes toward homosexuality among mental health professionals the limits of confidentiality sexual diversity in the black church a developmental model for effective treatment of male homosexuality pastoral care and the formation of sexual identity Biblical perspectives on homosexuality counseling lesbians AIDS ministries and grief counseling Pastoral Care and Counseling in Sexual Diversity is an essential resource for pastors, pastoral counselors, and therapists dealing with these vexing issues facing the Christian church in the new millennium.

This volume explores a web of complex relationships between body and mind, discussing the efforts of individuals from a wide variety of backgrounds to define,

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to achieve, or to reject the “normal”; and, in some cases, to put something else in its place. After considering the problems arising from other people’s perceptions of non-standard bodies, the book turns to gender: is it written “upon the body”, established at birth, determined only by physical traits and distinguished by material things such as clothes; or is it written “within the body”, defined through the subject’s own feelings? It considers what happens when “males” consider themselves “female”, and “females” consider themselves “male”. It concludes with the analysis of four books, by different authors with different sexual orientations. Two of these volumes might be considered “genuine autobiographies”, while the other two are novels which include numerous autobiographical features that reflect the authors’ own thoughts. Editors David M. Haugen and Susan Musser have compiled essays that debate the real and perceived teen rights related to discrimination based on race, gender, and sexual orientation. The impact of *Brown v. Board of Education* is examined, along with issues that have arisen in recent years including affirmative action and the racial quota systems that some universities currently employ. The growing issue of gender-based discrimination in the military is discussed, along with the continuing fight for equal rights for the L.G.B.T.Q. community.

Chances are you know someone who is gay--a coworker, family member, or friend. And chances are, as a Christian, you're not exactly sure how to relate to this person. While the church has been pretty good at "hating

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the sin," it hasn't really known how to "love the sinner" without fear of condoning a homosexual lifestyle. Chad Thompson, a man who has struggled with homosexual feelings, argues that "homosexuality needs to be solved through relationships." Drawing from the life and words of Jesus, Thompson gives readers permission to love and befriend homosexuals before they change--and radically, even if they never change--their sexual orientation. This candid book includes an appendix of additional resources. It will be a valuable tool for pastors, teachers, counselors, and any Christian who knows someone who is gay.

The debates on gender and sexuality are widespread today. Many claim that a cultural war is being waged between "conservatives" who uphold the time-honored values of family and sexuality and "liberals" who promote an agenda to redefine these traditional roles. Since the public is often uninformed about the science and philosophical currents undergirding the questions of gender and sexuality, the Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum organized an academic symposium in Rome to shed light on the debate. This book gathers the insights of that symposium, which integrated the disciplines of medicine, neuroscience, psychology, psychiatry, history, philosophy, moral theology, biblical studies, law, bioethics, and pedagogy. This work is aimed at Catholics and all those who seek a more profound understanding of one of today's most important topics. In the personalist approach of bioethics, the natural law tradition distinguishes the person from his or her acts. In the case of same-sex attractions, the

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Church teaches clearly that the inclination is not in itself sinful, and that persons with such attractions are deserving of respect and compassion in accord with their full human dignity. Nonetheless, same-sex acts are not natural or ordered. The Church strives to build bridges with the LGBT community by fostering a relationship of compassion, sensitivity, and mutual respect. However, real bridges also require honesty and openness to the truths that pertain to human sexuality, procreation, the family, and the education of future generation.

In 1973, when all the arguments were presented to the American Psychiatric Association both for and against the idea of homosexuality as pathology, it was the personal disclosures of gay men that had the most influence. Listening to their stories of frustration in treatment—and their newfound happiness through acceptance of a gay identity—the American Psychiatric Association voted to omit homosexuality as a diagnostic category. Now, twenty years later, Dr. Joseph Nicolosi presents the opposite kind of personal testimony. This testimony is from homosexual men who have tried to accept a gay identity but were dissatisfied, and then benefitted from psychotherapy to help free them of homosexuality. While each client has his unique story, Nicolosi has chosen eight men as representative of the personalities he has encountered in the twelve years during which he has treated over 200 homosexual clients. These men are engaged in a "two-front war"—an internal assault against their own unwanted desires, and an external battle against a popular culture that does not understand or value their struggle. In their own words,

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we hear these men's struggles to develop healthy, non-erotic male friendships. We hear of their fear and anger toward the men in their lives, and their strained relationships with the fathers they never understood. Nicolosi contends that every man possesses aspects of these clients: The frailty of Albert, the integrity of Charlie, the rage of Dan, the narcissism of Steve, and the ambivalence of Roger, to list some of them. Some readers of this book may be surprised by the directive style of Dr. Nicolosi's therapeutic intervention. In part, this is due to the editorial synthesis of the transcript. More importantly, however, reparative therapy does require a more involved therapist—a benevolent provocateur who departs from the tradition of uninvolved, opaque analyst to become a salient male presence. The therapist must balance active challenge with warm encouragement to follow the father-son model. T

Winner of the Herbert Feis Award from the American Historical Association and named one of the best religion books of the year by Publishers Weekly, D. Michael Quinn's *Same-Sex Dynamics among Nineteenth-Century Americans* has elicited critical acclaim as well as controversy. Using Mormonism as a case study of the extent of early America's acceptance of same-sex intimacy, Quinn examines several examples of long-term relationships among Mormon same-sex couples and the environment in which they flourished before the onset of homophobia in the late 1950s. This book addresses the complex moral and pastoral questions involved in both homosexual orientation and activity, including an analysis of lifestyles in accord with

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the Christian Gospel and those running counter to Christian moral teaching.

The struggle to remove the stigma of sickness surrounding same-sex love has a long history. In 1973, the American Psychiatric Association removed homosexuality from its diagnostic classification of mental illness, but the groundwork for this pivotal decision was laid decades earlier. In this new study, Henry L. Minton looks back at the struggle of the American gay and lesbian activists who chose scientific research as a path for advancing homosexual rights. He traces the history of gay and lesbian emancipatory research from its early beginnings in the late nineteenth century to its role in challenging the illness model in the 1970s. By examining archival sources and unpublished manuscripts, Minton reveals the substantial accomplishments made by key researchers and relates their life stories. He also considers the contributions of mainstream sexologists such as Alfred C. Kinsey and Evelyn Hooker, who supported the cause of homosexual rights through the advancement of scientific knowledge. By uncovering this hidden chapter in the story of gay liberation, *Departing from Deviance* makes an important contribution to both the history of science and the history of sexuality.

: *The Use of Scientific Research in the Church's Moral Debate* Stanton L. Jones and Mark A. Yarhouse help us face questions surrounding the issue of homosexuality squarely and honestly, examining how scientific research has been used within church debates--especially within Methodist, Presbyterian, Lutheran and Episcopal contexts.

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Defenders and critics of the controversial Spitzer study analyze its methodologies and findings. In 2001, Robert L. Spitzer, MD, presented his study on sexual conversion therapy with its controversial findings that some homosexuals can change their sexual orientation. The resulting media sensation and political firestorm enraged the study's critics and emboldened its supporters. *Ex-Gay Research: Analyzing the Spitzer Study and Its Relation to Science, Religion, Politics, and Culture* presents leading experts examining Spitzer's research methodology and findings to discern whether the study itself deserves deeper consideration or outright dismissal. Every facet of the study is reviewed to discuss the positive or negative aspects of the results, its significance in political and social terms, and the implications for the future. Dr. Spitzer himself was an instrumental figure in the American Psychiatric Association's decision in 1973 to remove homosexuality as a mental illness listing from the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual-III. His later study that states that in some individuals, homosexuality may be more fluid than previously thought stirred controversy in the psychiatric community and society at large. His study is presented here to allow the reader to evaluate and consider it for themselves. Leading experts then voice their own pro or con views on the methodology and findings. *Ex-Gay Research: Analyzing the Spitzer Study and Its Relation to Science, Religion, Politics, and Culture* fearlessly illustrates the sometimes fuzzy boundary between science and politics, courageously spotlighting the culture wars now dividing our society. *Ex-Gay Research:*

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Analyzing the Spitzer Study and Its Relation to Science, Religion, Politics, and Culture discusses: the ex-gay movement the nature of scientific inquiry the relationship between science and politics the results of sexual conversion therapies gay and lesbian rights Ex-Gay Research: Analyzing the Spitzer Study and Its Relation to Science, Religion, Politics, and Culture is essential reading for sex researchers, mental health professionals, pastoral counselors, political activists, and any person asking if one can truly “change” his or her homosexuality.

Just how far will a gay man go to be straight? For Brian Kraemer, that journey included thirteen years of celibacy, daily prayer, extensive reading, participation in an ex-gay ministry, and two exorcisms. He still hadn't reached his goal when he met a man he believed to be the therapist of his dreams—a married, Christian therapist with an innovative method of healing. Through what he called “spiritual adoption,” the therapist began a reparenting experiment in which Brian's therapy included spending time with his therapist in his home and meeting his wife and biological children, as well as other “spiritually adopted” clients. Brian and his therapist shared a bed, showered together, and spent extensive amounts of time holding, cuddling, and caressing. In his memoir, Brian Anthony Kraemer shares the details of his developing relationship with a Christian male therapist in his attempt to change from homosexual to heterosexual. Though the goal was to go straight, this relationship ultimately led to Brian's acceptance of himself as a gay man—and the therapist's loss of his license.

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"101 Probing Questions...101 Compassionate and Scriptural Answers " "from" Focus on the Family's Mike Haley" Almost daily we hear news reports that confirm the acceptance of homosexuality in our culture. Homosexuals are adopting children, appearing as characters on television programs, taking vacations catering to an exclusively gay clientele, and even seeking the right to "marry" their partners. But is this acceptance healthy for society? Few topics can raise so many questions so quickly. And for many readers, those questions hit close to home as they learn of the homosexuality of a loved one or close friend. Here are the answers to the most often asked questions about homosexuality, fielded by an expert on the subject...and a former homosexual himself.

SINCE 2002, THE SYMPOSIUM NEW WINE, NEW WINESKINS HAS OFFERED AN OPPORTUNITY for young Catholic moral theologians to engage in shared work and conversation. Here, the fruits of these labors are gathered into one collection, which represents the wide scope of the future of Catholic sexual ethics. This volume offers the first collection of a new generation's approaches to Catholic sexual ethics. The collection displays young scholars with diverse views, yet whose work moves beyond the impasses that have beset the field. The volume offers original and engaging essays on a variety of topics, from the hook-up culture and dating violence,

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to cohabitation and homosexuality, to contraception and natural family planning, to the promises and pitfalls of "the theology of the body." The authors display a fresh engagement with these issues in conversation with the Christian tradition and with contemporary culture. David Cloutier provides an introduction that locates this work within the past decades of Catholic scholarship, and articulates new categories for future work. The essays also offer practical insights and models that will interest pastors and lay ministers, as well as scholars.

"When faced with a crisis, the first words most people think are, "What do I do...?" In this important series of books designed for anyone connected to teenagers, Dr. Steven Gerali addresses six daunting and difficult situations that, when they do happen, often leave youth workers and parents feeling unprepared. With a background in adolescent counseling, Dr. Gerali provides valuable resources to help youth workers and parents through some of the most challenging situations they may face. *What Do I Do When Teenagers Question Their Sexuality* helps youth workers and parents navigate the challenging waters created by this issue, and offers tools to deal with the shifting views of sexuality in culture and in their teens' lives. *What Do I Do When Teenagers Struggle with Eating Disorders* offers insights to help youth workers and parents understand and recognize eating disorders in order

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to initiate helping strategies for teens dealing with this issue."

Gay Science is the first comprehensive examination of the ethical questions surrounding sexual orientation research. Bioethicist Timothy Murphy presents the views of many gay men and women who detect ominous motives behind this research. If a genetic marker were discovered for homosexual tendencies would genetic screening be used to further discriminate against gay people? If a method for changing sexual orientation were developed would it would be forced upon gay adults, or children whose parents suspected they might grow up to be gay? Given the potential for its misuse, is sexual orientation research fundamentally unethical?

Murphy acknowledges that much of sexual orientation research to date has been bad science, questionable in its motives and methodologically unsound. He examines the social and historical conditions, from the 1880s to the present, that spawned this research and reviews the findings that have often perpetuated confusion about homosexuality. He assesses five major studies on sexual orientation undertaken in the 1990s, from neuroanatomist Simon leVay's study of certain brain structures in gay men to the work of psychologist Joseph Nicolosi. He questions the flawed and simplistic assumptions about sexuality made by much of this research, Murphy argues that a true

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science of sexual orientation would not be focused exclusively upon homosexuality nor presuppose its pathology. Throughout the book Murphy argues that concerns about the potential misuses of this research do not justify its prohibition. Tackling gay science's most troubling aspects, he contends that if this research leads to the development of effective sexual orientation therapies, informed adults should have the choice to undergo them; he also examines the factors that weigh in favor of a parental right to choose or attempt to influence the sexual orientation of a child, and the ethical limits to such a right.

Pointing to the potential benefits of sexual orientation research as well as acknowledging its potential for harm, Murphy ultimately defends gay science in the name of free scientific inquiry. Gay Science argues that the way to ensure the future of gay people is not through censoring sexual orientation research but through working toward a society which uses research as a way of distinguishing myth from fact and not as an instrument of discrimination.

A stroke can alter two people's lives in an instant. For the person who has had a stroke, simple tasks suddenly become difficult or impossible. For that person's partner, life seems to revolve mostly around the stroke survivor's needs. Such a drastic change naturally requires making many, sometimes taxing, adjustments. In this book, two experts in stroke recovery help couples deal with the impact of stroke

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on their lives and their relationship. Drs. Sara and Jeffrey Palmer explain how to overcome three major challenges: • providing quality care for your partner • maintaining or rebuilding your relationship • caring for yourself as an individual The book invites you into the lives of real couples who are themselves coping with these challenges. Their experiences model how you can improve essential aspects of your relationship, including communication, roles and responsibilities, and sexuality. A list of practical tips summarizes each chapter, providing a handy reference guide to meeting each day's challenges. More than just a discussion of the medical and practical aspects of stroke and stroke recovery, this book focuses on the emotional, psychological, and social consequences of stroke and the deeply personal side of caregiving. When Your Spouse Has a Stroke will relieve your burden and strengthen your partnership.

This book explores a reparative psychotherapy based on an understanding of the development of gender identity, offering to help the non-gay homosexual, that is, one who is unhappy with his sexual orientation. A Jason Aronson Book  
Psychologist Joseph Nicolosi details the therapeutic techniques of reparative therapy. The book first describes the nature of the psychodynamics of same-sex attraction. The second part describes the various phases of treatment. The final part deals with

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walking clients through the process of grieving and the healing of their wounding.

Looks at the lives of men and women at New Hope Ministry, where the strict Christian beliefs are incompatible with their same-sex desires.

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