

## ARTICLE IX Biblical Positions

### Section I: Human Sexuality

A. We believe that the Biblical model for marriage is a union between one single adult biological male and one single adult biological female for life, and that this is the only Biblical and acceptable model for marriage. (Gen 2:23; Matt 19:4-6; Eph 5:28-33; I Pet 3:7)

B. We believe that sexuality and the expression of sexuality, is not a right nor an entitlement nor is the expression of sexuality required for a sense of wholeness but was instituted by God for two primary reasons: (1) for the purpose of the bearing of children (Gen 1:28); and (2) for the purpose of developing union and enjoyment within the context of Biblical marriage (Gen 2:24-25) and that a Biblical marriage relationship is the only acceptable place for the expression of sexual desire and relations. (Prov 5:18-19; Matt 19:4-6; Mark 10:6-8; Eph 5:28-33)

C. We believe that any deviation from the Biblical model for sexual relations solely within the context of a Biblical marriage, many of which are common or are accepted by society, are deviations from the clear teachings of the Scriptures and are to be rejected solely on the basis of the authority of the Scriptures. Some of these deviations are, but not limited to, premarital or extramarital sex or cohabitations, homosexuality, transgenderism, polygamy, polyamory, pornography, pedophilia, bestiality, and incest. (Lev 18:6-18, 22; 19:29; 20:13; II Sam 13:1-14; Prov. 6:26-29; Matt 5:27-28; Rom 1:26-27; I Cor. 6:9; I Thess. 4:3-7; I Tim 1:10; Heb 13:4)

D. We believe that singleness and marriage are both equally part of God's will and that singleness is to be considered a gift and special calling which offers unique opportunities for undivided devotion to God. Singleness is voluntary and is not required by Scriptures. Sexual activity within the context of singleness is rejected by the teachings of Scripture. (Matt 19:10-12; I Cor 7:2-8; 7:32-35; I Tim 4:1-3)

Divorce, except in the case of adultery, is a sin and is disqualifying for any leadership position within the organization. (Matthew 19:1-12)

E. We believe that all employees and volunteers, who are engaged in any capacity, are to be held by Scriptures to the Biblical model of sexual expression as written above under "Article IX Section 1: Human Sexuality." Therefore, Arrowhead Ministries, Inc. or Grace & Truth Evangelistic Association, Inc. shall not knowingly hire any staff or have volunteers who deviate from Article IX section 1. Any staff, paid or unpaid, who deviates from the Biblical model may be removed from their position.

F. Any person who is having been found guilty by law of any form of sexual misconduct shall not be allowed to hold a position in camp ministry.

G. Any sexual activity that is in violation of state law will be reported to authorities as required by law.