

Worksheet 2: Thesis & Resources

Fill out this worksheet as thoroughly as possible. Begin with one broad statement about the topic you are researching. Find three primary resources that deal with this topic. Write a 3-sentence summary max about the text's position and perspective of the topic. Make note of a sections that may be of use to you. After reading 3 resources, consider the theology and scripture that deal with the topic. Finally, focus the topic. What detail do you see in the topic that you would like to elaborate on? This will become your proposed thesis. Remember, this thesis will be the focal point for your professional seminar.

Topic: Homosexuality

Broad statement on topic: homosexuality is a sin, and every homosexual will go to hell on the other hand homosexuality is approved by God and you can be saved and homosexual at the same time.

Proposed Problem/Challenge: The problem with this topic is that both side of the spectrum are on the extreme and they are not willing to find a balance where homosexuality can be corrected and treated as any other sin and still love the sinners.

Prospective Change: Show leaders how Jesus died for everyone and on that list homosexuality is included and to show leaders that homosexuality is not part of God's design and that they can be free from that just as a thief can be free from stealing.

Resource 1:

- Citation
- Summary of Position
- Notable quote locations

Resource 2:

- Citation
- Summary of Position
- Notable quote locations

Resource 3:

- Citation
- Summary of Position

- Notable quote locations

Theology

What issues of theology does this topic touch on?

This issue touch on theology topics such as: sexuality, soteriology, hamartiology.

What scripture deals with this topic?

Leviticus 18:22; Romans 1:27; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11;

List 3 theology resources

1. Academic Journal

Hill, Wesley. "Washed and Still Waiting: An Evangelical Approach to Homosexuality." *Journal of Evangelical Theological Society* 59 no. 2 (2016): 323-338.

2. Bible Commentary

3. Book

Emerging Gender Identities: Understanding the Diverse Experiences of Today's Youth – Mark Yarhouse

Proposed Thesis:

After this first round of research, write your proposed thesis here:

For many years the church has treated homosexuality as the unforgivable sin giving homosexuals no hope for redemption. However, the bible is clear that we are all sinners and in need of the love of Christ. How then as the body of Christ can we bring hope to the homosexuals while at the same time help them change.

THESIS CHECKLIST:

- Are you staying true to your topic, or does it need to be adjusted?
- Does your thesis demonstrate an integration with Youth & Family Ministries?

- Is your theology relevant to the topic, thesis, and application?