

CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST

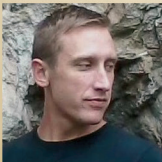


*"I refer all of my clients who can benefit to Joel 2:25 ministry."*

– Joseph Nicolosi, PhD, Clinical psychologist. Co-founder and past president, National Association of Research and Therapy of Homosexuality (www.narth.com). Author of Reparative Therapy of Male Homosexuality, Preventing Homosexuality, and Shame & Attachment Loss

BENEFITS EXPERIENCED

- Greater connection to our true authentic gendered identity
- Satisfaction of same-sex needs in non-sexual ways
- Reductions in shame, self-doubt, anxiety, and same-sex attraction



*"Homosexuality took almost 16 years of my life and compromised them with one lie or another. It is a cage in which you are trapped in an endless cycle of constantly wanting more that you can never actually receive, constantly full of emptiness."*

*"Healing from the wounds caused by homosexuality is not easy, but it is worth it! Joel 2:25 is a great ministry which I am proud to support."*

– Michael Glatze, FORMER gay activist

RESOURCES

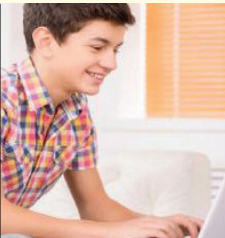
Local face-to-face small groups are held in Dallas, Texas. Additionally, video conferencing groups are offered in multiple languages. Contact Joel 2:25 for specific information on groups.



Support for Men



Support for Women



Support for Self-Motivated Teens



Support for Young Adults



Support for Parents

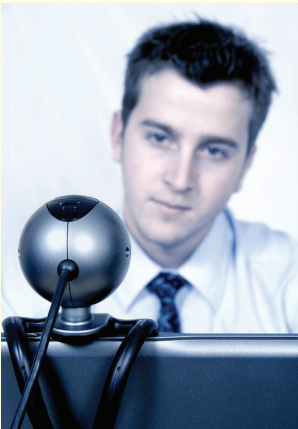
Local In-Person support groups for emotional and relational healing



15 Minute Daily Prayer Teleconferences



Weekly Video-Conference Support Groups in English and 16 other languages



Secure Online Forums for journaling, peer discussions, social interaction, and support (separate forums for men and women in English and 16 additional languages)



Do You Feel Trapped By Homosexuality?

*You Are Not Alone.*



*"I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter." —Joel 2:25*





# ABOUT US

In Joel 2:25, “the hopper, the destroyer, the cutter, and great army” depict successive waves of scourge after scourge. Barren crops did not come in a single year, but in years, as stated in plurality ... barren wastelands that could only be restored with a super-natural intervention.

*“I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust have eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter,”*  
– Joel 2:25

For many of us, relational brokenness and underlying homosexuality have destroyed multiple years that caused relational wounds, making healthy recovery hard to take-in. God’s promise in Joel 2:25 implies a “recompense” that He will provide fruitful years as full compensation for the years the locust ate away. Recompense means far more than sexual sobriety and abstinence. It is a healing of emotional wounds and relational brokenness; development of true identity as men of God, fulfillment of needs, and multiple fruitful years of mission and purpose that lead to joy.

Joel 2:25 is an international peer led community of men and women who support each other through prayer, spiritual growth, and relational healing. Most of us have also found that deep personal work through reparative therapy and counseling has been an important for finding healing and freedom from the underlying emotional wounds that drive same-sex attraction. Together, we experience real change, healing, and transformation in four key areas:



## M.A.N.S. Groups *(Joel 2:25 also has resources for women, families and youth.)*

### SURRENDERING

Surrendering our lives and will to God and claim his identity for us.

- No human being who has a perfect answer to make everything easy and simple. There are three important questions to ask, not just with Same-Sex Attraction, but with every aspect of our lives:
- Do I TRUST that God has a detailed plan and purpose for my life?
  - Am I OPEN to hearing what that is, even if it’s not what I currently want it be?
  - Am I willing to SURRENDER my own will, identity, and plans to accept His will for me?

### NEED FULFILLMENT

- Emotional healing and catharsis: nurturing support for processing Core Emotions in healthy and assertive ways that lead to growth and healing. This includes while Facing fear, Processing anger, Grieving and Releasing the past, and Experiencing and sharing Joy.
- Support for processing Core Emotions in healthy and assertive ways that lead to growth and healing. Feeling our feelings - releasing buried pain.
  - Living our True self (vs. false self) – Being “real.” Breaking through counter emotions and defense mechanisms.
  - Reprocessing Same-Sex Attractions – finding the real core needs that can only be met in healthy, chaste, and platonic relationships

This “MANS framework” and acronym is an adaptation of a program developed by therapist David Matheson, CMHC, of the Center for Gender Wholeness. The MANS principles are also integral to the Journey Into Manhood program, co-created by David Matheson and Rich Wyler for People Can Change

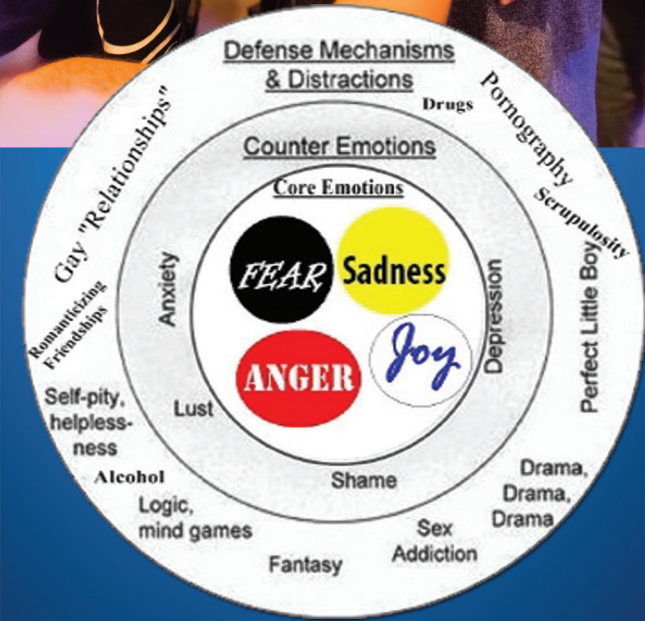
### AUTHENTICITY

Authenticity—knowing and understanding ourselves and being fully genuine in our relationships with others.

- Re-Engaging the gendered world with confidence and boldness.
- Developing our own support networks outside of the group in our churches, workplace, and communities.
- Healthy attachment, boundaries, and authentic connection.
- Healthy boundaries and secure attachment. Experiencing and enjoying the differences

### MASCULINITY

- Masculinity—seeing ourselves as masculine and distinct from females and feeling connected with other men.
- Developing one’s vocation and life mission. Leading and growing ourselves and others.
  - Internal sense of masculinity – masculinizing actions, personal power, assertiveness, confidence, boundaries, physical exertion, being a “grown up”.
  - Meaningful male connection – healthy boundaries in secure peer groups, friendships, and mentorings.
  - Discovering, living a higher life purpose for Christ.



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