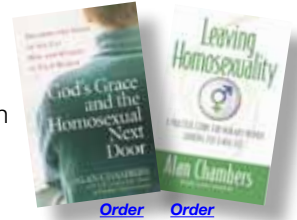


## God's Grace and the Gay Men and Women in Our Midst

*Core Issues in association with Exodus International offers two training opportunities for Christian leaders and workers on:*

**Wednesday evening 9<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2011.**

With the increasing acceptance of homosexuality in our culture, many Christians are caught in the crossfire of sounding too harsh ("homosexuality is worse than other sins!") or too compromising ("as long as two people are faithful to one another, nothing else matters). Churches are also at a crossroads. How can they effectively reach out to gay men and women without compromising what the Bible says about same-sex intimacy?



**Alan Chambers** and **Christine Sneeringer** offer practical and Biblical insights on how both individuals and churches can become a haven for men and women seeking freedom from same-sex attraction.



**Alan Chambers** is a leading speaker on gender issues and is the president of the largest evangelical organisation dealing with this topic in the world today - Exodus International. His personal story as a gay teen and young adult who overcame unwanted homosexuality is inspiring and he offers insight into how this issue personally affects individuals and the broader culture.



**Christine Sneeringer** is the director of an Exodus member ministry in South Florida, called Worthy Creations. A gifted communicator, Christine's passion is to educate and equip Christians to deal with homosexuality in a compassionate and Biblical way. As a freelance writer, her story of overcoming lesbianism has appeared in numerous magazines. Christine is pursuing her masters degree in counselling psychology.

**Mike Davidson** leads Core Issues - a Northern Ireland based non-profit Christian initiative seeking to support men and women who voluntarily seek help with unwanted same-sex attractions. The CORE vision seeks to uphold Biblical standards and values and appropriate ethical principles in contemporary society, in which Christian churches have sometimes failed to act with compassion or understanding towards those who struggle to overcome homosexuality.



**Wednesday evening 9<sup>th</sup> March (7.00 – 10.00 light supper provided) and Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2011 (10.30 – 3.30, light lunch provided).**

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