Religious Belief & Sexuality Survey

1. General Information

This survey is designed to explore the impact of religious belief on your understanding and development of your sexual orientation and identity. It is as such not designed to understand in any depth your gender identity. It is open to all individuals living in the UK who are over 16.

The survey should take about 15 minutes to complete and your answers will be saved on a page by page basis. Please be assured your responses will be treated in the strictest of confidence.

The research is being managed by the <u>Ozanne Foundation</u> and is being overseen by an Advisory Board that consists of:

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We would like to start by asking you a bit about your background.

* 1. How old are you?	
Under 16	35-44
16-18	45-54
18-24	55-64
25-34	65+
* 2. Where do you live?	
England	Northern Ireland
Scotland	Outside UK
Wales	

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* 3. V	Which of these best describes your gender?
	Male
	Female
	Prefer Not to Say
	Other (please state)
* 4. V	What was your assigned sex at birth?
	Male
\bigcirc	Female
\bigcirc	Prefer Not to Say
* 5. V	Which race/ethnicity best describes you? (Please choose only one.)
	White
	Mixed/Multiple Ethnic Groups
	Asian/Asian British
	Black/African/Caribbean/Black British
	Chinese
	Arab
	Other ethnic group (please specify)

2. Religious Background & Practise	
	rew up in a religious context and whether you have a een to learn how this has impacted your life.
* 6. What religion or belief (if any) was practis	sed in your home as a child?
Christian - Catholic	Hinduism
Christian - Anglican	Sikhism
Christian - Other	Humanist
Judaism	Non-religious
Islam	Prefer Not to Say
Other (please specify)	

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3. Religious Background & Practise (cont.)									
7. What is the best descriptor of the type of church (if any) you attended?									
Conservative evangel	ical	Liberal							
Charismatic evangelic	cal	Anglo-ca	utholic/Catholic						
Evangelical - other		None							
Pentecostal		Oon't Kn	ow						
Traditional / middle of	the road	Prefer No	ot to Say						
Other (please specify))								
8. How active/committ	ed were you in this r	eligion/belief during ea	ach of the following a	ge groups?					
	Completely inactive	Fairly inactive	Fairly active	Very active					
Under 12									
12 - 18		\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc					
19 -24									
Over 25									
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* 9. What religion or bel	iet (it any) do you pra								
Christian - Catholic		Hinduism	ı						
Christian - Anglican Christian - Other		Sikhism Humanis							
Judaism		Non-relig							
Islam		Prefer No							
Other (please specify)		Treieria	or to day						
Other (please specify)									

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10. If Christian, what is the best descriptor of the type of church (if any) you attend?									
Conservative evangeli	cal		Liberal						
Charismatic evangelica	al		Anglo-cat	tholic / Catholi	С				
Evangelical - other			None						
Pentecostal			Oon't Kno	ow					
Traditional / middle of	the road		Prefer No	ot to Say					
Other (please specify)									
11. How active/committed are you in this religion/belief now?									
	-	oirly inactive	Cairl	ly activo	Vonus	otivo			
Completely inactive 2. To what extent do y	F	sagree with the		ly active ements?	Very a	active			
Completely inactive	F				Very a	N/A			
Completely inactive	F you agree/dis Strongly	sagree with th	e following state Neither agree	ements?					
Completely inactive 2. To what extent do y My religion/belief plays	F you agree/dis Strongly	sagree with th	e following state Neither agree	ements?					
Completely inactive 2. To what extent do y My religion/belief plays a central part in my life My religion/belief used to play a central part in my life, but no longer	F you agree/dis Strongly	sagree with th	e following state Neither agree	ements?					
Completely inactive 2. To what extent do y My religion/belief plays a central part in my life My religion/belief used to play a central part in my life, but no longer does My religion/belief is a	F you agree/dis Strongly	sagree with th	e following state Neither agree	ements?					
Completely inactive 2. To what extent do y My religion/belief plays a central part in my life My religion/belief used to play a central part in my life, but no longer does My religion/belief is a source of strength to me My religion/belief has been a source of conflict in my life given my	F you agree/dis Strongly	sagree with th	e following state Neither agree	ements?					

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5. Sexual Orientation & Relationship Status

Please help us understand how you choose to define your sexual orientation and your current relationship status

relationship status	
* 13. Which of these best describes your sexual orientation?	
Asexual	
Bisexual	
Gay	
Heterosexual or straight	
Lesbian	
Pansexual	
Queer	
Same-sex attracted	
Prefer Not to Say	
None of the above, please specify	
* 14. Which of these best describes your current marital status?	
Married to someone of the opposite gender	
Married to someone of the same gender	
In a civil partnership	
In a long term committed relationship with someone of the opposite gender	
In a long term committed relationship with someone of the same gender	
Separated or divorced	
Widowed	
None of the above	
Prefer Not to Say	

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6. Sexual Orientation & Relationship Status (cont.)

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15	. Please tell us a little more about your previous	marriage/partnership
	To someone of opposite gender	
	To someone of same gender	
	Prefer not to say	
16	. Which of these best describes your current rela	ationship status?
	Cohabiting with a partner	Single, not interested in dating or seeing someone
	In a steady relationship but not cohabiting	Single, do not believe I should date someone but would like
	Currently dating or seeing someone, but not in a steady relationship	to Prefer Not to Say
	Not currently dating or seeing someone, but interested in doing so	1
	Other (please specify)	

7. Sexual Orientation & Relationship Status (cont.)									
17. Please tell us wh	17. Please tell us who you are or would like to be in a relationship with?								
Someone of the opp	Someone of the opposite gender								
Someone of the sar	ne gender								
Either - their gender	r is not a determini	ng factor for me							
Prefer Not to Say									
* 18. At what age did y	you become aw	are of what y	ou understand	l your sexual or	rientation to l	be?			
Under 12			Over 25	5					
13 - 15			Oon't Kr	now					
<u> </u>			Prefer N	Not to Say					
19 - 24									
19. How open are yo	ou now about yo	our sexual orie	entation with th	ne following gro		le?			
	Not open at all	Open to a few	Open to some	Open to most	Open to everyone	Not Applicable			
Family									
Friends - secular									
Friends - religious									
Religious leaders									
Work colleagues									

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8. Attempts to Change Sexual Orientation

The following questions address any attempts you may have made, been advised to make or been forced to make to change your sexual orientation.

These include attempts through a range of religious practises (eg. prayer, deliverance, emotional healing and fasting) through to counselling, aversion therapy and sexual activity.

Please be assured once again that your answers will be treated in complete confidence.

* 20. Have you ever considered, been advised or been forced to go through attempts to change your sexual orientation (please tick all that apply)?							
Yes - I have voluntarily considered attempting to change my sexual orientation							
Yes - I have been advised to consider attempting to change my sexual orientation							
Yes - I have been forced to go through attempts to change my sexual orientation							
No No							
21. If you were advised to consider attempting to change your sexual orientation, who was this primarby (please tick all that apply)?	ırily						
Parent Religious friends							
Other family member Secular friends							
Religious leader Prefer Not to Say							
Other (please specify)							
22. If you were forced to attempt to change your sexual orientation, who was this primarily by (please tick all that apply)?)						
Parent Religious friends							
Other family member Secular friends							
Religious leader Prefer Not to Say							
Other (please specify)							

Yes			
No			

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9. Attempts to Change Sexual Orientation (cont.)

The following questions are for those who have had some experience of attempting to change their sexual orientation.

24. Why did you try and change your sexual orienta	tion (please tick all that apply)?
Because I believed that my desires were "sinful"	Because I did not want to be associated with LGBT people or their lifestyle
Because I wanted to live as a straight person	Pagauga it is not accontable in my culture to be anything
Because my friends/family disapproved	Because it is not acceptable in my culture to be anything other than straight
Because I was ashamed of my desires	Because I thought it would be easier to be married to someone of the opposite gender
Because my religious leader disapproved	
	Because I wanted to have children with someone of the opposite gender
	Because I was given no choice and had to under go it
Other (please specify)	
25. How old were you when you first tried to change	e your sexual orientation?
Under 12	25-34
12-15	35-44
16-18	45-54
19-24	55+

26	. Who (if anyone) did you talk to for advice (please tick all that apply)?	
	Close friend(s) of my own age	
	Family member	
	Religious leader	
	Youth group leader	
	NHS GP	
	NHS Psychiatrist	
	NHS Psychotherapist	
	Other NHS medical professional	
	Non-NHS medical professional	
	Faith healer/special religious ministry	
	No-one	
	Other (please specify)	

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10. Attempts to Change Sexual Orientation (cont.)

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27.	How long ago was this?		
	Within the last year		
	Within last 3 years		
	3-5 years ago		
	5+ years ago		
28.	What form(s) did this attempt to change your se Private prayer to change my sexual orientation Prayer with close friends to change my sexual orientation Fasting Plea bargaining with God Deliverance ministry - informal with friends Deliverance ministry - formal with official religious ministry Emotional healing - informal with friends		orientation take (please tick all that apply)? Counselling with official religious ministry Professional psychotherapy (NHS) Professional psychotherapy (private) Hormone Treatment Electroconvulsive Treatment Sexual stimulation (ie pornography) involving someone of the opposite gender Voluntary sexual activity involving someone of the opposite
	Emotional healing - formal with official religious ministry		gender Forced sexual activity involving someone of the opposite
			gender
	Other (please specify)		

11. Attempts to Change Sexual Orientat	cion (cont.)	
29. How long ago was this?		
Within the last year	5+ years ago	
Within last 3 years	I am still undergoing this therapy	
3-5 years ago		

	Neither helpful nor				
	Very unhelpful	Fairly unhelpful	unhelpful	Fairly helpful	Very helpf
Private prayer to change my sexual orientation					
Prayer with close friends to change my sexual orientation					
Fasting					
Plea bargaining with God			\bigcirc		
Deliverance ministry - informal with friends					
Deliverance ministry - with official religious ministry		\bigcirc	\bigcirc		
Emotional healing - informal with friends					
Emotional healing - with official religious ministry			\bigcirc		
Counselling with official religious ministry					
Professional psychotherapy (NHS)			\bigcirc		
Professional psychotherapy (private)					
Hormone treatment					
Electroconvulsive treatment					
Sexual stimulation (ie pornography) involving someone of the opposite gender	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc		\bigcirc
Voluntary sexual activity with someone of the opposite gender					
Forced sexual activity with someone of the opposite gender	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc		

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12. Impact of Sexual Orientation Change Therapy

31. What, if anything, was the result of your attempts to	change your sexual orientation?
It seemed to work for a while but it then wore off) It did not work for me but I do believe it does work for others
It worked completely	I am still undergoing it
It did not work for me and I do not believe it works for others	Prefer not to say
32. What has been the impact on you personally follow orientation (please tick all that apply)? I have gone on to live a happy and fulfilled life I have found it hard to accept myself for who I am I have actively chosen to remain celibate I have gone on to have a relationship with someone of the same gender I have been able to have a relationship with someone from the opposite gender I have found it hard to have a relationship with someone of the same gender Other (please specify)	I have sought counselling to help me recover from it I have suffered from mental health issues I have had to leave/change the faith group I was part of I have had to step down from various duties within the faith group I was part of Prefer Not to Say None of the above

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3. Impact of Sexual Orientation Change The	rapy (cont.)			
33. If you have experienced mental health issues apply)?	s, what form(s) have these taken (please tick all that			
Anxiety and depression, not requiring medication	Suicidal thoughts			
Anxiety and depression, requiring medication	Attempted suicide			
Self harm	Prefer Not to Say			
Eating disorders				
Other (please specify)				



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14. Attitude towards Sexual Orientation Change Therapy

Whatever your experience of Sexual Orientation C	hange Therapy, we would like to understand
whether you think it should be made a criminal offe	ence or not.
* 34. Which of these comes closest to your attitude to	owards sexual orientation change therapy?
It should be made a criminal offence	It should not be made a criminal offence and should be
It should not be made a criminal offence but should be stopped	allowed Prefer Not to Say
It should not be made a criminal offence but should be practised with informed consent of the individual	
Other (please briefly specify)	

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15. Attitude towards Sexual Orientation Change Therapy (cont.)				
35. Why do you believe that it should be made a criminal offence (please tick all that apply)?				
It is damaging to a person's mental health				
It causes self-hate				
It undermines a person's religious faith				
It costs a lot of money				
Other (please specify)				

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* 38. Do you give us permission to contact you after the survey, in order to provide you with further information about the survey or the topics contained in the survey?

Please note that you can opt out at any time by emailing survey@ozanne.foundation. We will never pass any of your details on to anyone else without contacting you and getting your permission to do so first.

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18. And Finally (cont.)
39. What is your name and the best email address for us to contact you? Please note, we will never pass any of your details on to anyone else without contacting you and getting your permission first. Full Name (optional) Email