Push Back!

A Christian Response to the Radical Homosexual Agenda



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Romans 12:21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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Chapter 1

I have contemplated for some time writing a series to address the subject of the militant homosexual advocacy of the American government and the media. Seldom has there been more effort expended, and more attention given, to a cause. Tragically, the cause that America's President is championing is accelerating the moral decay of the nation, and it is leading a generation of young people into a morass of sexual deviancy, gross sensuality, and animalistic debasement. Purity and innocence are being trampled in the name of unfettered hedonistic liberty.

Although U.S. President, Barack Hussein Obama, is leading the push for a homosexual America, he is not the true power behind the agenda that is being promulgated. Satan is the chief architect of the homosexual advocacy that is flooding America and the world. Satan is a great deceiver. He couches his wicked agenda in the garb of pursuing equality, freedom, and protecting the rights of all people. Yet Satan is no friend of man. He comes only to kill, steal, and destroy (John 10:10). Satan is the enemy of all that is right, holy, and good. His plan is to debase mankind until the human race no longer bears any resemblance to its Creator.

I have been concerned that Christians are ill prepared to stand up under the onslaught of public opinion and propaganda that is flowing forth at this hour. Many cunning and deceptive tactics are being employed to make homosexuality, or the support of those who practice it, to be viewed as honorable, fair-minded, and loving. Many Christians have already fallen, and more will succumb, as the deception of the enemy of mankind is displayed with increasing force and the darkness of society increases.

Many Christians have failed to count the cost of being a disciple of Jesus Christ/Yahshua the Messiah. They are unprepared, or unwilling, to suffer persecution, to receive the scorn and enmity of government and a society that is falling further under the sway of Satan. In a vain attempt to maintain peace with the world, and to continue pursuing a comfortable and pleasurable life in an increasingly anti-Christian society, many Christians refuse to take a stand on truth. Christ stated that the world would hate His disciples. Persecution is unavoidable if one is to follow in the footsteps of Yahshua.

II Timothy 3:12

Indeed, *all* who desire to live godly in Christ Yahshua will be persecuted.

The message of suffering for obedience to Christ is scorned by the church in this hour. A false gospel of prosperity, of easy-believism, has replaced the message of the disciple's cross. There are great numbers who profess faith in Jesus Christ who will not stand in this hour. They will be swept away by the pressure applied to them. They will be cowed by the threats of Satan's disciples. They will yield to peer pressure for they love the world and want to be accepted by it. The fear of being rejected by society, or being labeled a religious extremist, will be enough to cause many professing Christians to act in a manner that is a betrayal of Christ and which is unworthy of Him.

Matthew 13:20-21

"And the one on whom seed was sown on the rocky places, this is the man who hears the word, and immediately receives it with joy; yet he has no firm root in himself, but is only temporary, and when affliction or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he falls away."

This writing is offered for those who refuse to shrink back in the face of the mounting pressure of a dark world. It is for those who would push back against the evil that is being forced upon them. How does one push back? The Scripture at the top of this writing states that evil must be overcome with good. Preceding these words, the apostle Paul stated:

Romans 12:19-20

Never take your own revenge, beloved, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay," says the Lord. "But if your enemy is hungry, feed him, and if he is thirsty, give him a drink; for in so doing you will heap burning coals upon his head."

The evil of this world will not be overcome with hatred. It will not be overcome with insults, or anger. The media has given great attention to the tactics being employed by the members of Westboro Baptist Church of Topeka, Kansas.



The pastor and members of this church have shown up to protest at the funerals of American soldiers killed in military service to their country. They have held up signs applauding the fact that a young person was slain, for they say it is a judgment of God against the wickedness of America.

A pro-homosexual writer on the Huffington Post website has an article titled *Why I Love the Westboro Baptist Church*. She goes on to explain that she loves this church, and all the media attention it has garnered, because it has caused people to be ashamed of being labeled homophobic.

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/joannamontgomery/westboro-homophobia b 3552170.html?ut m_hp_ref=westboro-baptist-church

The article mentions that the Westboro Baptist Church's website has the following statement listed:

We display large, colorful signs containing Bible words and sentiments, including: GOD HATES FAGS, FAGS HATE GOD, AIDS CURES FAGS, THANK GOD FOR AIDS, FAGS BURN IN HELL, GOD IS NOT MOCKED, FAGS ARE NATURE FREAKS, GOD GAVE FAGS UP, NO SPECIAL LAWS FOR FAGS, FAGS DOOM NATIONS, THANK GOD FOR DEAD SOLDIERS, FAG TROOPS, GOD BLEW UP THE TROOPS, GOD HATES AMERICA, AMERICA IS DOOMED, THE WORLD IS DOOMED, etc.

I sincerely doubt that there is a member of this church who is a partaker of the Spirit of Christ. The pride, hatred, insults, and strife they promote are not the fruit of the Holy Spirit. The members of this church are not speaking the truth in love. Their words are hate filled. The attitudes of the members reveal a motive of hatred, not love. Paul did not write that the church is to overcome evil with evil. He said, "overcome evil with good." Lies must be met with truth. Falsehood and deception must be overcome with understanding. Darkness must be dispelled with light.

In writing this series, my intent is to assist the people of God in understanding why homosexuality is deplorable to God and injurious to mankind. There are some very cunning arguments and tactics being employed by those pushing forward a homosexual agenda. Satan is cunning, and he is not stinting in supplying those who do his bidding with schemes and deceitful arguments which will further their aims.

Many Christians are unable to answer the attacks of the enemy, or withstand the wiles of the devil. I suspect that if most Christians were asked why homosexuality is wrong, they would reply, "Because the Bible says it is wrong." This is akin to saying, "Homosexuality is immoral because Yahweh describes it as sin in the Bible." There is merit to the argument that something is wrong simply because Yahweh says it is wrong. Understanding is not necessary to accept the fact that Yahweh's judgments are always righteous and just. A Christian would be greatly benefitted, however, if they understood why Yahweh has declared something to be sin.

Many people in the world describe homosexuality, adultery, and fornication as "victimless" activities. They argue that because these actions are done by two (or more) consenting adults, and no one is injured, there is no reason to censure such behavior. The same argument has been used for legalizing marijuana. Proponents refer to illegal use of marijuana as a victimless crime.

To a non-Christian, the Bible's judgments describing righteous and unrighteous behavior may appear quite arbitrary. A Christian may even have difficulty discerning any rhyme or reason relating to many of the Bible's instructions. People today are asking, "Why cannot a woman love another woman, or a man love another man? Why cannot they enjoy the pleasure of sex together? Why cannot they be married and enjoy a committed relationship with one another?" If a Christian cannot answer these questions, but are only able to say, "Because God declared these things to be evil," they may themselves begin to question the propriety of the Bible's testimony.

Indeed, there are numerous Christians who are falling away from the Biblical testimony and are embracing homosexuality. Some Christians find the temptation within themselves to engage in sexual experiences with someone of the same gender. They are likely aware that Yahweh has condemned such relationships in the Bible, but the temptation is greater than their fear of God. Perhaps their faith has been weakened by listening to the arguments of the world, and their commitment to obedience eroded by ministers who describe God as kind, and merciful, and forgiving, while neglecting to teach on Yahweh's holiness and justice and the judgment to come.

There have been a number of well known Christians who have fallen into homosexual behavior. Among them are the singers Jennifer Knapp and Ray Boltz. Jennifer Knapp was the 1999 Dove Award winner for Best New Christian Artist. Despite enjoying much success as a Christian recording artist in 2002, she abruptly quit touring and took a 7 year hiatus. In 2010 she gave a number of interviews, revealing she had been in a lesbian relationship for the past 8 years. Jennifer Knapp says she still has her Christian faith, and even claims that by being honest about her sexuality her faith is actually enhanced.

Ray Boltz was a popular male Christian singer and songwriter. He is well known for his songs *Watch the Lamb, Thank You,* and *I Pledge Allegiance to the Lamb.* He sold 4.5 million Christian albums. In 2008, twenty years into his Christian music career, Ray Boltz announced that he is a homosexual. He has continued to perform in Metropolitan Community Churches, which is a homosexual denomination.



Exodus International Logo

Last month many Christians were dismayed to learn that Alan Chambers, the President of Exodus International, the oldest and largest ministry working to free men and women from their bondage to a homosexual lifestyle, was repenting of the ministry he helped found. Exodus International was started in 1976. For 37 years their mission had been to help men and women experience freedom from homosexual desires. Many were shocked when the president of this organization confessed that he has been struggling with same sex attraction for a number of years. He further declared that he was deceived to believe that people could be set free from same sex desires.

Chambers contacted Lisa Ling, who hosts the Our America program on the Oprah Winfrey

Network, and asked if he could issue a public apology for years spent trying to set homosexuals free. Following is an excerpt taken from Alan Chamber's apology.

It is strange to be someone who has both been hurt by the church's treatment of the LGBT community, and also to be someone who must apologize for being part of the very system of ignorance that perpetuated that hurt. Today it is as if I've just woken up to a greater sense of how painful it is to be a sinner in the hands of an angry church...

My desire is to completely align with Christ, his Good News for all and his offer of peace amidst the storms of life. My wife Leslie and my beliefs center around grace, the finished work of Christ on the cross and his offer of eternal relationship to any and all that believe. Our beliefs do not center on "sin" because "sin" isn't at the center of our faith. Our journey hasn't been about denying the power of Christ to do anything – obviously he is God and can do anything...

There were several years that I conveniently omitted my ongoing same-sex attractions. I was afraid to share them as readily and easily as I do today. They brought me tremendous shame and I hid them in the hopes they would go away. Looking back, it seems so odd that I thought I could do something to make them stop. Today, however, I accept these feelings as parts of my life that will likely always be there. The days of feeling shame over being human in that way are long over, and I feel free simply accepting myself as my wife and family does. As my friends do. As God does...

Please know that I am deeply sorry. I am sorry for the pain and hurt many of you have experienced. I am sorry that some of you spent years working through the shame and guilt you felt when your attractions didn't change. I am sorry we promoted sexual orientation change efforts and reparative theories about sexual orientation that stigmatized parents. I am sorry that there were times I didn't stand up to people publicly "on my side" who called you names like sodomite—or worse. I am sorry that I, knowing some of you so well, failed to share publicly that the gay and lesbian people I know were every bit as capable of being amazing parents as the straight people that I know. I am sorry that when I celebrated a person coming to Christ and surrendering their sexuality to Him that I callously celebrated the end of relationships that broke your heart. I am sorry that I have communicated that you and your families are less than me and mine.

More than anything, I am sorry that so many have interpreted this religious rejection by Christians as God's rejection. I am profoundly sorry that many have walked away from their faith and that some have chosen to end their lives. For the rest of my life I will proclaim nothing but the whole truth of the Gospel, one of grace, mercy and open invitation to all to enter into an inseverable relationship with almighty God.

[Source: http://exodusinternational.org/2013/06/i-am-sorry/]

A similarity found among men and women who continue to profess faith in Christ while "embracing" their homosexuality, is that they decrease their focus on sin, choosing to consider only the grace, mercy, and kindness of God. The church at large has been prepared by Satan to "embrace" homosexuality through a gradual diminishment of focus on the holiness and justice of

Yahweh. Preaching on sin has become passe, as the church has turned their attention to "enjoyment" of their Christian experience. Those aspects of Yahweh's nature that are too difficult for the flesh to bear are rejected. A new god of tolerance and acceptance, who winks at sin, has been molded for the congregation to worship.

For every Christian who confesses to being a homosexual, or engaging in same sex acts, there are many more who are denying the testimony of Scriptures as they make accommodations for those who profess to be homosexuals. The Huffington Post had the following two articles listed next to one another on their website today.





Pope Francis On Gays: Who Am I To Judge Them?



Satan is flooding the earth with a message that will lead to a wholesale embrace of homosexuality. Clicking on the link to the Pat Robertson story, one is met with the following statements.

The 83-year-old televangelist sat down on Sunday for the "Bring It Online" advice portion of his Christian Broadcasting Network show, "The 700 Club." A viewer named David wrote in asking how he should refer to two transgender females who work in his office and have legally changed their genders. Instead of criticizing the trans individuals, Robertson approached the situation in a seemingly level-headed manner.

"I think there are men who are in a woman's body," he said. "It's very rare. But it's true -- or women that are in men's bodies -- and that they want a sex change. That is a very permanent thing, believe me, when you have certain body parts amputated and when you have shot up with various kinds of hormones. It's a radical procedure. I don't think there's any sin associated with that. I don't condemn somebody for doing that."

He went on to say he would "question the validity" of someone who just says, "Well I'm really a woman" because you "don't count somebody as female unless they really are, or male unless they really are."

When his co-host said the viewer doesn't know the intentions or medical history of his co-workers, Robertson rebutted, "It's not for you to decide or to judge." [Source:

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/07/29/pat-robertson-transgender n 3672244.html]

I want to draw your attention to the last words above. Pat Robertson stated, "It's not for you to decide or judge." This forms a direct parallel to statements made by the Pope which are cited in another article found on the Wall Street Journal website.



Pope Francis

Pope Signals Openness to Gay Priests

Pontiff's Comments Suggest Greater Acceptance of Homosexuality Among Clerics

The pontiff was traveling aboard a turbulent overnight flight to Rome from his first overseas trip... when he broached the delicate issue of how the Catholic hierarchy should respond to clerics who are gay, though not sexually active. In doing so, he departed from the posture that has long shaped papal thinking on gay priests.

Pope Francis, left, and Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone step off a plane at Ciampino Airport outside Rome after returning from their trip to Brazil Monday.

"Who am I to judge a gay person of goodwill who seeks the Lord?" the pontiff told a news conference in response to a question. "You can't marginalize these people."

Pope Francis opened the door Sunday to greater acceptance of gay priests inside the ranks of Roman Catholicism as he flew home to the Vatican from his maiden trip overseas.

Pope Francis reaffirmed church teaching by referring to homosexual acts as a sin. But he wielded his formidable bully pulpit to shift the tone of how the church regards homosexual orientation at its highest ranks...

Pope Francis "is showing a deep respect for the human condition as it is, instead of approaching things in a doctrinal way," said Alberto Melloni, a church historian.

"This isn't a change in the church's teaching," said Rev. James Bretzke, a theology professor at Boston College. "What's important is the change in style and emphasis..."
[Source:

http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424127887324354704578635401320888608.html]

Do you think it coincidental that the Pope and one of America's most well known evangelical broadcasters both are in the news on the same day making statements that will lead to a greater acceptance of homosexual behavior among Christians? Very cunning are the words of these men as they make it appear that judging is an evil thing to be avoided.

Pat Robertson

"It's not for you to decide or to judge."

Pope Francis

"Who am I to judge a gay person of goodwill who seeks the Lord?"

In the recent video I posted, I shared that judging is not restricted to declaring something to be evil. We are also judging when we say something is acceptable. Pat Robertson was making a judgment when he said that God created some men who are in women's bodies, and some women who are in men's bodies. The absence of any Scriptural justification for this astonishing comment is clearly noted.

There is also a fallacy in the statements of both of these men as it pertains to judging. A Christian is NOT initiating a judgment on their own, they are not "deciding" a matter in their own soul, when they express agreement with Yahweh's words recorded in the Bible. The Christian is not judging the issue. They are only judging that what Yahweh has declared is authoritative and correct. Yahweh is the One who is judging. As Christians, it is our responsibility to accurately share the thoughts, judgments, and reasoning of God with others. Paul stated that we are Christ's "ambassadors." An ambassador does not make policy decisions on his own initiative. He merely represents that policy of the one whom he is representing.

Notice also that the Pope uses the word "gay" rather than "homosexual," or the Biblical term "Sodomite," when speaking. With such subtleties, the abomination of homosexual behavior is diminished. At the same time Christians are encouraged to not "judge" those who are homosexuals, which is a giant step forward to the goal of accepting homosexual behavior as normal.

Perhaps by now, you are feeling somewhat oppressed by the massed weight of opinion, both within and without the church. There is a constant pressure being exerted for mankind, and Christians in particular, to accept homosexuality. At the very least, Satan would silence those who have stood in agreement with Yahweh's condemnation of homosexual activity. This was accomplished to a large degree when the President of Chick-fil-a made some pro-heterosexual statements in an obscure Baptist periodical a few months back. The firestorm in the media was so intense, and the corporation came under such intense threat, frightening many franchisees, that all Christian executives and leaders of Christian businesses, will hesitate to speak out against

homosexuality in the future.

It was reported that the President of Chick-fil-a tweeted a message recently when the Supreme Court ruling was announced overturning the Defense of Marriage Act. The tweet said,

Sad day for our nation; founding fathers would be ashamed of our gen. to abandon wisdom of the ages re: cornerstone of strong societies.

The tweet was removed two hours later. I suspect that some franchisees, and corporate counsel, urged him to remove the statement lest the company once more become a target of the government and media's militant homosexual advocacy. Satan has accomplished his purpose in silencing critics of the homosexual agenda, at least those who can be pressured financially. At the same time, Satan's chief disciples are speaking out boldly. The same day that the above tweet was posted, President Obama tweeted the following:

Today's DOMA ruling is a historic step forward for #MarriageEquality. #LoveIsLove

The hashtag LoveIsLove is a reference to a pro-homosexual campaign.

http://www.loveislove.com/

With such a one sided onslaught, many Christians are succumbing to the pressure. Afraid of being singled out and judged as a "hater," or "homophobic," they are silenced, or worse. Satan's pressure is mounting. It will be unrelenting until the majority in the world and in the church have embraced homosexuality as normal.

Many Christians will cave in to the pressure, thinking it far easier to accept this view than to stand in agreement with Christ. When these pro-homosexual voices reach a critical mass, and the consequences of resisting cannot be avoided, there will be a flood of Christians who shift their position to open acceptance. Many will conclude that since so many Christians are declaring that it is okay to be homosexual, and that it is evil to judge, things will be much easier if they fall in line. Satan will be near at hand to prod the hesitant ones to cross over to this new way of thinking. The folly of doing so will not be realized by many until that hour when they stand before God to give an account of their lives.

I Corinthians 6:9-11

Or do you not know that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, shall inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Yahshua Christ, and in the Spirit of our God.

In this first post of this series, I have introduced the subject, and have sought to bring attention to the pressure being exerted through a diversity of sources to alter the church's opinion of homosexuality. In coming posts I will begin to answer the question, "Why does Yahweh

condemn homosexuality?"

Chapter 2

I am going to begin today's blog post with a video recently released by the United Nations. This two minute video was created to coincide with a worldwide campaign to promote the acceptance and normalization of homosexual behavior. The video is titled *The Riddle* and is part of a campaign that is called *Free and Equal*.

http://youtu.be/sYFNfW1-sM8

Satan is a master of deception. His cunning is without equal. Even as he deceived Eve in the Garden, he continues to deceive men and women today. Whether he is persuading one person, or a billion, his methods do not change. He speaks a little truth, and attaches it to a very destructive lie. He pretends to be offering mankind something that will benefit, but it brings only death and judgment.

Consider the message of this video. The truth that the video contains is that homosexual behavior is practiced worldwide, in every nation. The whole world lies in the power of the evil one, and sin is an universal condition of the descendants of Adam. "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God."

This video is not lying when it speaks of homosexuality being found throughout all nations of men. The deceit comes in when the question is asked:

"What has existed in every country throughout history, yet is still considered abnormal?"

This question expresses "The Riddle," to which the United Nations claims to provide the answer. Their answer: "Being gay." The U.N., of course, is following Satan's script, for long ago he posed a riddle for mankind when he spoke in the garden.

Genesis 3:1

Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which Yahweh God had made. And he said to the woman, "Indeed, has God said, 'You shall not eat from any tree of the garden'?"

It is interesting that Satan would couch his deception in the form of a question. He has done so with this U.N. program, and he did so in the Garden of Eden. The similarities do not end there, however. As in the Garden, Satan is presenting his deception in an attractive manner. We are told that the fruit in the Garden of Eden was "pleasant to the eyes, and desirable to make one wise." Similarly, we find that the message and the speakers in this video are presented in an appealing manner. Most of the speakers are physically attractive. Some were chosen to evince sympathy, or to appeal to the minds of men and women, in a non-sensual manner.

The video begins with a young woman. She has an appearance of innocence. She has an unblemished complection, and is standing silently. When she speaks, she does so in a soft voice, with an expression intended to elicit sympathy. The following speakers maintain this soft voice,

for the video is intended to express a view of homosexuals as a persecuted group of innocent victims who deserve the sympathy and support of all mankind.

If a person were to visit a Gay Pride parade in Chicago, New York, San Francisco, or other cities across the United States and the world, they would find a very different image of homosexuals. If they were to attend the Southern Decadence homosexual festival in New Orleans, they would see a far more debauched, raucous, and prideful image of homosexuals. If one were to observe the antics of pro-homosexual groups such as ACT-UP, peruse the pages of a "gay" magazine, or visit a gay nightclub, they would not find much evidence of humility, modesty, or anything resembling a wholesome image. The words "innocent," "shy," "respectful," and "modest" may come to mind as one views this U.N. video, but these words are not typically used to describe the lives of homosexuals when they gather together in groups.

Not all homosexuals are loud, outspoken, arrogant, exhibitionists. Some lead quiet lives of reserve. Some remain in a long-term relationship with a partner, but such lives are the exception, rather than the rule. The homosexual community is renowned for its promiscuity, and its overt hedonism.

A much-cited study by Bell and Weinberg (1978), published by the Kinsey Institute, and often called the most ambitious study of homosexuality ever attempted, gathered its data before the AIDS crisis had begun. This study showed that 28 percent of homosexual males had had sexual encounters with one thousand or more partners. Furthermore, 79 percent said more than half of their sex partners were strangers. Only 1 percent of the sexually active men had had fewer than five lifetime partners. The authors concede: "Little credence can be given to the supposition that homosexual men's 'promiscuity' has been overestimated" (p.82). "Almost half of the white homosexual males...said that they had had at least 500 different sexual partners during the course of their homosexual careers," (p. 85)...

William Aaron's autobiographical book "Straight" draws similar conclusions:

In the gay life, fidelity is almost impossible. Since part of the compulsion of homosexuality seems to be a need on the part of the homophile to "absorb" masculinity from his sexual partners, he must be constantly on the lookout for [new partners]. Constantly the most successful homophile "marriages" are those where there is an agreement between the two to have affairs on the side while maintaining the semblance of permanence in their living arrangement. [p. 208]

He concludes:

Gay life is most typical and works best when sexual contacts are impersonal and even anonymous. As a group the homosexuals I have known seem far more preoccupied with sex than heterosexuals are, and far more likely to think of a good sex life as many partners under many exciting circumstances. [p.209]

[Source: http://josephnicolosi.com/an-open-secret-the-truth-about/]



Christians may wonder why there is such a strong push to make homosexual marriage legal if there is so little fidelity among them. Certainly some of the interest is pecuniary, for with the legalization of homosexual marriage will come various "family" benefits, such as health insurance coverage, survivor benefits, and tax credits. Legalizing homosexual marriage will also make it easier for homosexuals to adopt children. Relatively few homosexuals are interested in marriage for the sake of fidelity to a partner. Dr. Nicolosi shares the following information.

In one recent study of gay male couples, 41.3% had open sexual agreements with some conditions or restrictions, and 10% had open sexual agreements with no restrictions on sex with outside partners. One-fifth of participants (21.9%) reported breaking their agreement in the preceding 12 months, and 13.2% of the sample reported having unprotected anal intercourse in the preceding three months with an outside partner of unknown or discordant HIV-status (1).

This study follows the classic research of McWhirter and Mattison, reported in The Male Couple (1984), which found that not a single male pair was able to maintain fidelity in their relationship for more than five years. Outside affairs, the researchers found, were not damaging to the relationship's endurance, but were in fact essential to it. "The single most important factor that keeps couples together past the ten-year mark is the lack of possessiveness they feel," says the authors (p. 256)...

With the exception of the pioneering work of Warren (1974), for many years, little attention was given to long term gay relationships. When McWhirter and Mattison published The Male Couple in 1984, their study was undertaken to disprove the reputation that gay male relationships do not last. The authors themselves were a homosexual couple, one a psychiatrist, the other a psychologist. After much searching they were able to locate 156 male couples in relationships that had lasted from 1 to 37 years. Two-thirds of the respondents had entered the relationship with either the implicit or the explicit expectation of sexual fidelity.

The results of their study show that of those 156 couples, only seven had been able to maintain sexual fidelity. Furthermore, of those seven couples, none had been together more than 5 years. In other words, the researchers were unable to find a single male couple that was able to maintain sexual fidelity for more than five years. They reported:

The expectation for outside sexual activity was the rule for male couples and the exception for heterosexuals. Heterosexual couples lived with some expectation that their relationships were to last "until death do us part," whereas gay couples wondered if their relationships could survive. (p.3)

[Source: ibid]

Satan's goals in legalizing homosexual marriage have nothing to do with defending the "rights" of a minority group. Satan is no friend of man. His purpose is to destroy, or defile, everything Yahweh ordained to be holy. This defilement includes all of mankind, and the institutions that govern family life and communal living. Satan wants to transform society's perception of marriage as an institution. Making homosexual marriage between two men, or two women legal, is just one more step to a larger goal of redefining marriage. The sanctity of the marriage covenant has been under attack for a long time as divorce has become increasingly common. With the legalization of homosexual unions the destruction of the societal conception of marriage will be nearly complete. The article previously cited includes the following statement.

Michelangelo Signorile describes the campaign "to fight for same-sex marriage and its benefits and then, once granted, redefine the institution completely--to demand the right to marry not as a way of adhering to society's moral codes, but rather to debunk a myth and radically alter an archaic institution." (1974, p 3).

[Source: ibid]

Returning to the U.N. campaign to promote and normalize homosexuality throughout the world, we see many evidences of thought shaping. Language employed is key. Homosexuals, whom the Bible refers to as "Sodomites," or "abusers of themselves with mankind," are referred to as "gay." The adoption of the word "gay" to describe homosexual behavior was a shrewd triumph for Satan. The English word "gay" traditionally meant "having or showing a merry, lively mood." A secondary meaning was "bright or showy, as in *gay* colors." Lively music was described as "gay." Synonyms for the word include "cheerful, gleeful, happy, glad, cheery, lighthearted, joyous, sunny, and lively."

Despite the fact that a great deal of homosexual behavior occurs in darkened clubs, hidden away from the light of day and the light of public scrutiny, it has become associated with a word that means "light," or "sunny." Despite the happy and upbeat connotations of the term "gay," homosexuals experience far greater incidence of depression and suicide than heterosexuals.

An unusual prevalence of suicide attempts and ideation among homosexual persons has surfaced repeatedly as an incidental finding in studies on human sexuality. Forty percent of 5000 homosexual men and women who were surveyed by Jay and Young seriously considered or attempted suicide. Bell and Weinberg found that 1000 black and white homosexual men were, respectively, 12 and 3 times more likely than heterosexual men to report suicidal ideation or attempts...

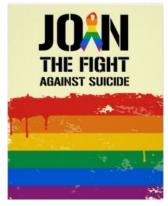
In two different studies of homosexual and bisexual adolescents, one third of boys reported attempts, and repeated attempts were common...

The <u>Report of the Secretary's Task Force on Youth Suicide</u> projected that gay adolescents were two to three times more likely than their peers to attempt suicide, accounting for as many as 30% of completed suicides each year.

[Source: http://yapmn.com/pubs/Risk%20factors%20for%20attempted%20suicide1991.pdf]

Far from being "gay," there is great evidence to demonstrate that homosexuals experience much greater incidence of depression and thoughts of ending their lives, than non-homosexuals. This is not a surprising finding when one considers that Satan is behind the homosexual agenda and he comes only to kill, steal, and destroy.

Marketing is king for Satan and his disciples, when it comes to selling a product, an idea, or a lifestyle. Satan has masterfully crafted a publicity campaign to make the homosexual lifestyle appear attractive. The word "gay" was carefully chosen to evoke a positive, lively image in the minds of men, women, and adolescents. The reality is that homosexual behavior leads to extremely higher occurrences of depression. To refer to the homosexual lifestyle as "despondent," "depressed," or "sad" would have been more accurate if one were pursuing truth in labeling, but it would have made the lifestyle harder to sell.



Campaign to Fight Gay Suicide

The image above reveals another aspect of Satan's marketing prowess. He has chosen the rainbow as the symbol of the homosexual community. The rainbow was created by God as a symbol of promise and of new life, after the flood of Noah's day had cut off wicked men and women from the earth. Satan has transformed this symbol into an image that promotes the same type of wickedness that has so often elicited God's wrath. Satan is intent on redefining everything Yahweh declares holy as something unholy, and calling that which is evil good. A



further example of this is the association of the word "Pride" with celebrations of the homosexual lifestyle.

Satan has taken pride, an attribute of sinful man that Yahweh deplores, and has transformed it into a virtue in the eyes of the world.

Proverbs 8:13

The fear of Yahweh is to hate evil; Pride and arrogance and the evil way, and the perverted mouth, I hate.

Proverbs 11:2

When pride comes, then comes dishonor, but with the humble is wisdom.

Proverbs 16:18-19

Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall. It is better to be of a humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud.

Proverbs 29:23

A man's pride will bring him low, but a humble spirit will obtain honor.

Mark 7:20-23

And [Yahshua] was saying, "That which proceeds out of the man, that is what defiles the man. For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed the evil thoughts, fornications, thefts, murders, adulteries, deeds of coveting and wickedness, as well as deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, *pride* and foolishness. All these evil things proceed from within and defile the man."

This is the twisted, upside down world Satan has fashioned. He calls evil good. He makes a virtue out of that which Yahweh detests. He deceives men and women, enticing them to commit unnatural, and debased acts, convincing them that he is seeking their welfare, promoting their liberty, and protecting their freedoms. Satan lies as he tells humanity that following their unrestrained sexual desires will make them "gay" when in fact it leads to misery. When Jennifer Knapp came out with a new album after she revealed openly and unrepentantly that she was in a lesbian relationship, it seemed fitting that she titled it "Letting Go."



Satan tells mankind that it is wrong to repress their fleshly desires and passions. He urges them to

be true to themselves, and to let all inhibitions go. Christ declares that the way to life is very different.

Galatians 5:24-25

Now those who belong to Christ Yahshua have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

Satan says, "Let go of your inhibitions. Give in to your fleshly passions." Yahshua says, "Walk by the Spirit and put the passions of the flesh to death. Do not let sin reign in your mortal body."

The U.N., as an instrument of Satan, is not the friend of humanity that it pretends to be. It promotes values that are destructive. It is well known that the homosexual community is ravaged by the disease known as AIDS. AIDS was first recognized in 1981 and since then has killed more than 30 million people. It is estimated that another 34 million people are currently infected with HIV/AIDS, and they could eventually die from it. AIDS is primarily transmitted through unprotected sex. Statistics show that in 2009, 64% of all new cases of AIDS in the United States were the result of men having intercourse with other men. The incidence of AIDS is lowest in the Middle East and North Africa at 0.1% or less. Not coincidentally, these are Islamic countries where homosexuality is punishable by death.

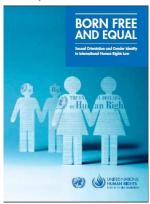
The hypocrisy of the U.N. is revealed in that it refuses to combat AIDS by the most sure means, which is to advocate for men and women to abstain from homosexual behavior, or promiscuous heterosexual intercourse. The Bible reveals a direct link between sexual behavior that Yahweh declares to be immoral, and the destruction of the body.

Romans 1:26-27

Their women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural, and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts and receiving in their own bodies the due penalty of their error.

I Corinthians 3:16-17

Do you not know that you are a temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If any man defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him, for the temple of God is holy, and that is what you are.



U.N. Campaign

Satan is a master of deception. He has arrayed an unhealthy and immoral lifestyle in the garments of respectability and wholesomeness. By means of cunning arguments, and clever deceptions, he has deceived the masses. The Scriptures describe Satan as "the serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan, *who deceives the whole world*" (Revelation 12:9).

Consider the subtlety employed in the question, "What has existed in every country throughout history, yet is still considered abnormal?" The inference contained in this question is that if something is common it must be normal. This is a logical fallacy, but Satan knows that most people will not perceive his deceit.

Rapists exist in all nations of the world, but people would not describe the act of rape as "normal" behavior. The same could be said of murder, theft, pedophilia, and a host of other behaviors. The existence of a thing, even when it is common, does not make it "normal." Due to the sinful condition of all mankind, we find that all types of deviant, and immoral behavior are common, but they should not be considered "normal."

The U.N. has immense resources available to promote their anti-Christian worldview and homosexual agenda. The media, private organizations, and national governments, especially the United States, are also investing immense resources as they seek to indoctrinate the world population with a pro-homosexual view. The following statement can be found on the U.N. website.

'Free & Equal,' a year-long effort by the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) and partners launched today in Cape Town, South Africa, focuses on the need for both legal reforms and public education to counter homophobia and transphobia.

This paragraph reveals another cunning ploy by the adversary of mankind. Not only has he chosen the positive word "gay" as a reference to homosexual behavior, but he has coined the word "homophobia" to refer to those who declare same sex relationships to be immoral. The word homophobia is comprised of two parts. "Homo" means "the same." "Phobia" means "fear." In essence, the word homophobia describes someone who fears homosexuals.

The Bible describes Satan as cunning for good reason. By describing those opposed to homosexual behavior in this way, Satan makes it appear as if these ones have an irrational fear. It can be compared to hydrophobia (fear of water), or agoraphobia (fear of being in open places, or crowds). This eventually gives those who are opposed to homosexuality a way out. They can say they merely had a mental sickness, but they have been cured. This word also mischaracterizes the true thoughts of those opposed to homosexuality.

I am not afraid of homosexuality. I am not homophobic. I am unable to embrace homosexual behavior as normal because Yahweh says it is not normal. He has defined it as sinful, deviant behavior. I am doing no more than agreeing with God. Nor do I hate, or have enmity, toward those who are practicing homosexuality. I desire their welfare. I wish to see them set free from

bondage to sin. I desire that they might know what it is to walk in purity and holiness, with a clean conscience before God.

The *Free and Equal* campaign focuses on legal reforms and public education. The legal reforms will eventually lead to the enactment of laws where any criticism of homosexuality will be declared a hate crime. This week, Senator Ted Cruz of Texas stated the following in an interview on the Christian Broadcasting Network.

"If you look at other nations that have gone down the road towards gay marriage, that's the next step of where it gets enforced," Cruz agreed. "It gets enforced against Christian pastors who decline to perform gay marriages, who speak out and preach biblical truths on marriage, that has been defined elsewhere as hate speech, as inconsistent with the enlightened view of government."

"I think there is no doubt that the advocates who are driving this effort in the United States want to see us end up in that same place."

[Source:

http://www.rawstory.com/rs/2013/07/23/cruz-gay-marriage-leads-to-christianity-being-defined-as-hate-speech/]

When the U.N. calls for further "public education" on the subject of homosexuality, they are actually referring to indoctrination and thought control. Already, if a person in government employment, or a large number of politically correct corporations, speaks out against homosexual behavior, they are subject to be required to attend sensitivity training classes, or could be terminated. It matters not if the person's religious beliefs declare same sex relationships to be immoral. On the U.N. website is found the following statement.

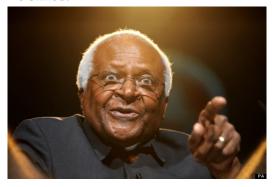
Ms. Pillay (UN High Commissioner for Human Rights) underlined that "the balance between tradition and culture, on the one hand, and universal human rights, on the other, must be struck in favour of rights," adding that "no personal opinion, <u>no religious belief, no matter how deeply held or widely shared</u>, can ever justify depriving another human being of his or her basic rights."

This is a masterfully deceptive statement. In speaking about "the balance" between religious belief and whatever the UN declares to be a human right, they declare that the UN will always be favored. This is not balance. It is imbalance. Who decides what is a human right? Yahweh would say that it is a human right for a baby to be safe in its mother's womb. The U.N. says it is the mother's right to terminate the life of the baby growing within her. Yahweh states that homosexuality is evil behavior. The U.N. says it is a protected lifestyle, while encouraging people everywhere to embrace it. The following statement by the U.N.'s Secretary General, is found on their website:

"To those who are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender, let me say: You are not alone. Your struggle for an end to violence and discrimination is a shared struggle. Any attack on you is an attack on the universal values of the United Nations that I have sworn to defend and uphold."

[Secretary General Ban Ki-moon]

From whence do these "universal values" derive? They are not rights established by the Creator. The right to practice homosexuality as a protected lifestyle is inspired by Satan, and adopted by his disciples. That the United Nations is at variance with Yahweh, and in open rebellion against Him, is revealed in the words spoken at the kick-off of the *Free and Equal* campaign. South African Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu was invited to speak at the launch of this campaign. He stated:



Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu

"I would refuse to go to a homophobic heaven," declared the high-profile black African leader... "No, I would say sorry — I mean, I would much rather go to the other place," he said. Tutu added for emphasis, "I would not worship a God who is homophobic and that is how deeply I feel about this."

[Source:

http://www.thenewamerican.com/culture/faith-and-morals/item/16117-south-africa-s-desmond-tutu-says-he-wouldn-t-worship-homophobic-god]

This apostate Archbishop is vividly manifesting the PRIDE of the homosexual movement. He has set his throne above that of God. He would overrule the Creator, calling the Holy One unjust and unrighteous in His judgments.

Brothers and sisters, neither Satan, nor his human disciples, will relent on this matter. They will continue to press forward with their homosexual agenda until it is accepted by every nation on earth. Any criticism of homosexuality will be declared a criminal offense. To agree with Yahweh that homosexuality is an abomination will be characterized as a hate crime. An hour is near at hand when the words of Yahshua will be realized.

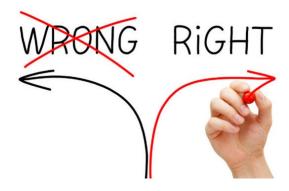
Luke 21:16-19

"But you will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death, and you will be hated by all on account of My name. Yet not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your lives."

As disciples of Christ we must recognize that we are not wrestling against flesh and blood. Mankind's true adversaries are spiritual forces of wickedness in high places. Many have been

taken captive through deceit to do Satan's will. Yahweh will judge. While we have light we must speak the truth, seeking to deliver some from the bondage of sin and Satan.

Chapter 3



There can be no shift in the morals of a society without first redefining right and wrong. From the time the first pilgrims landed on America's shores, until the recent generation, homosexuality has been viewed by society as deviant, and destructive, sexual behavior. The founding father's of America viewed homosexuality as a great sin. George Washington instituted court martial proceedings against an officer of the Continental Army for the crime of sodomy. Thomas Jefferson introduced legislation in his home state of Virginia that would have punished homosexuals by requiring them to be castrated. If you have read the series titled *Dragon Flood*, you will realize that neither of these men were Christians, yet they acknowledged Yahweh's judgment of homosexuality as abominable and perverse behavior to be right.

In 1828, when Noah Webster published *Webster's Dictionary*, the term "Sodomy" was used to refer to homosexual behavior. *Webster's Dictionary* not only was considered authoritative on its word definitions, but it reflected the moral underpinnings of the nation. The entry for the word "Sodomy," although brief, was quite specific.

"Sodomy: A crime against nature."

The 1833 *Encyclopedia Britannica*, describing the moral influence of Christianity upon Roman society, states:

"The nameless crime, which was the disgrace of Greek and Roman civilization was made punishable by death."

With these words, the editors of the world's most renowned encyclopedia declared that homosexuality was considered in their day to be a disgrace to great civilizations.

In 1952, the American Psychiatric Association listed homosexuality in the DSM (Diagnostics and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders) as a "sociopathic personality disturbance." [Source:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders]

The word "sociopathic" is defined as "a person with a psychopathic personality whose behavior is antisocial, often criminal, and who lacks a sense of moral responsibility or social conscience."

This definition of homosexuality as a mental disorder remained until the DSM II was revised in 1973, the same year that the U.S. Supreme Court in the case known as Roe v. Wade, redefined abortion, rejecting its status as a crime, and declaring it to be a woman's right. America has now experienced forty years where the sins of murder of the unborn, and homosexuality, have been defined as "normal." The nation has experienced a generation in which behavior that Yahweh describes as abominable sin has been given protected status, and declared to be a "human right." The terrible fruit of this moral collapse is readily observed throughout American society.



The transformation of moral values has been incremental, but quite swift. The first step in normalizing homosexual behavior was to remove the stigma of it being a heinous moral failure. This was accomplished when the medical profession in 1952 defined homosexuality as a mental disorder. Many who were homosexuals viewed this as a great leap forward. No longer were they judged to be morally depraved. It was far less censorious to be labeled as "sick' than it was to bear the stigma of being morally debauched.

For more than two centuries American society had viewed homosexuality as a gross moral transgression. It was "the crime not to be named," a reference to the following Scripture.

Ephesians 5:3-12

But do not let immorality or any impurity or greed even be named among you, as is proper among saints... For this you know with certainty, that no immoral or impure person or covetous man, who is an idolater, has an inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not be partakers with them... for it is disgraceful even to speak of the things which are done by them in secret.

How has a nation moved from viewing homosexual behavior as something disgraceful, a shameful thing that decent folk would could not speak of without embarrassment, to openly celebrating it? This shift in societal values is NOT the result of some new scientific discovery. It is NOT the result of mankind coming out of darkness into the light of truth. Society is becoming more deprayed, more sensual, increasingly selfish, with an exponential increase in crimes committed against one's neighbors. Satan is a great deceiver, and he has played upon man's irrational honor for those who are educated in the institutions of learning and bear the title of "Doctor." Satan has especially used the "Doctors" of the psychiatric field, those who study the

mind and human behavior, to alter societal views of deviant sexual behavior.

In 1973, Dr. John P. Spiegel, was president-elect of the American Psychiatric Association. It was under his watch that the psychiatric profession's standard manual of practice, the DSM, was altered to remove homosexuality from the list of deviant sexual disorders. This change was NOT the result of new research that demonstrated that homosexuality is normal and harmless. There was a group of psychiatrists among the leadership of the APA (American Psychiatric Association) who were practicing sodomites. They sought to use their positions in this organization to change society's view of their own depraved behavior. This group of sodomite psychiatrists were informally referred to as the GayPA.

Alix Spiegel is the granddaughter of Dr. John Spiegel. She is a correspondent for National Public Radio. Alix Spiegel narrated an episode for *American Life*, a popular program on NPR, where she spoke about her grandfather's involvement in altering the American medical profession's definition of homosexual behavior. She revealed that his "motives were not simply those of a dedicated psychiatrist and champion of human rights." She explains how her family discovered in 1981 after her grandmother had died, that her grandfather was a homosexual.

The family went on vacation to the Bahamas to celebrate my grandfather's 70th birthday. I remember it well. I also remember my grandfather stepping out from his beach front bungalow on that first day followed by a small well-built man, a man that later during dinner my grandfather introduced to a shocked family as his lover, David. David was the first of a long line of very young men that my grandfather took up with after my grandmother's death. It turned out that my grandfather had had gay lovers throughout his life, had even told his wife-to-be that he was homosexual, two weeks before their wedding. And so in 1981 the story that my family told about the definition in the DSM changed dramatically.

[Source: http://www.thisamericanlife.org/radio-archives/episode/204/transcript]

American society has been hoodwinked. A cabal of sodomites, masquerading as wise doctors of the pseudo-scientific field of psychiatry, have redefined homosexual behavior to justify their own moral deviancy. Consider for a moment the gross immorality of this man who served as president of the American Psychiatric Association. He entered into a marriage union with a woman that he never intended to treat with fidelity. Throughout his marriage he was engaging in sodomy with a series of male lovers.



DSM Manuals

This man who held traditional marriage in contempt, along with a number of other sodomites who hid their deviant behavior from their peers, were able to wrest control of that part of the APA tasked with defining mental illness. The task of defining sexually deviant behavior was given into the hands of men who were practicing sexual deviancy. The great lie that many have embraced is that there is a scientific basis to support the redefining of homosexuality from sociopathic behavior to that which is normal and healthy behavior. The truth is that the men who authorized the changes to this medical manual of great influence were deeply biased in their actions. They had a private agenda, which was to remove the stigma of moral depravity from the unnatural behavior in which they were engaging.

Contrast these medical manuals, that have not only changed their definitions of sexually deviant behavior, but which radically contradict their earlier definitions of homosexual behavior, with the Bible. In a short span of time men redefined homosexuality from behavior that is morally depraved, to a mental illness, to normal behavior. The first five books of Moses were written 3,500 years ago. In these Scriptures we are told by Yahweh that homosexuality is an abomination in His sight.

Leviticus 18:22

You shall not lie with a male as one lies with a female; it is an abomination.

Leviticus 20:13

If there is a man who lies with a male as those who lie with a woman, both of them have committed a detestable act...

1,500 years after Moses recorded these words, Yahweh inspired men to write the New Testament of the Scriptures. In 1,500 years, the opinion of God had not changed. The apostle Paul wrote the following:

Romans 1:26-27

For this reason God gave them over to degrading passions; for their women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural, and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error.

I Corinthians 6:9-10

Or do you not know that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, *nor effeminate, nor homosexuals*, nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

I Timothy 1:9-10

Law is not made for a righteous man, but for those who are lawless and rebellious, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who kill their fathers or mothers, for murderers and immoral men and *homosexuals*...

When the 1973 revision of the DSM came out, the entry for homosexuality was completely removed. In its place there was an entry for Ego-Dystonic Homosexuality. This was a special type of homosexuality that described people who were uncomfortable with their same sex attraction, and wanted to be cured of it. Many psychiatrists at the time were actively engaged in counseling homosexuals who wanted to change their behavior. By including this definition for a Ego-Dystonic Homosexuality, the sodomite leadership of the APA stemmed what would have surely been a great outcry if they had at once done away with all therapy for homosexuals. In 1987, even this more limited description of homosexual dysfunction was removed from the manual. In the episode *81 Words*, from the *American Life* program, Alix Spiegel shares the following:

Today there is no entry in the DSM on homosexuality. No entry at all. In 1987, the 237 words that Robert Spitzer wrote about ego-dystonic homosexuality were quietly removed. Meanwhile, the APA turned itself upside down. In 1970, 90% of the American Psychiatric Association believed that homosexuality was a pathology. Today, 90% believe that it's a normal variant of sexual behavior. No more pathological than something like left-handedness.

In fact, it's now considered unethical to treat homosexuality. And any psychiatrist who attempts to change the sexual orientation of his patient can face professional censure. If a gay person finds his sexual preference disturbing, if he's interested in becoming heterosexual— and there are many people who fit this description— the APA guidelines suggest that the therapist counsel his patient that change is impossible. He must learn to accept, embrace even.

[Source: Ibid]

This statement reveals the extreme pro-homosexual bias of the APA's ruling members. They will not permit anyone to suggest that it is possible to change from being a homosexual to a normal sexual orientation. The cruelty and wickedness of the position adopted by the APA is seen in that there are souls who are tortured by their consciences, who are seeking to depart from a form of behavior that they intuitively know to be against nature, yet they are met with a stone wall of lies serving a pro-homosexual agenda by an organization that pretends to exist for the benefit of mankind.

I recommend reading the entire transcript for the program 81 Words. Although Alix Spiegel is pro-homosexual in her views, her insider's view of what went on at the APA to change the clinical definition of homosexual behavior is enlightening. The majority of the 18,000 psychiatrists in this association did not support the changes. Following is the reaction of one psychiatrist to the changes that were made.

Charles Socarides: I said holy [BLEEP]. They're changing the rules. If there's anything you couldn't change in this world it would be the relationship between a male and a female. They go together. They go together, through all of evolution, right up the animal kingdom, right to man. And now they're saying, it's just as natural to mate with the same sex as it is with the opposite sex. What will psychiatry think? What will medicine think? What will pediatric think? They will think we've gone insane.

[Source: Ibid]

It is insanity to suggest that homosexual behavior is both normal and healthy. Yet this is the position that many are promoting in this hour. Massive amounts of propaganda is being spewed forth from government, television, movies, newspapers, radio, music, and a myriad of non-governmental, pro-homosexual organizations. The apostle Paul summed up this activity well in the following words:

Romans 1:32

Who, knowing the righteous judgment of God, that those who practice such things are deserving of death, not only do the same but also approve of those who practice them.

Alix Spiegel provides this additional narrative on one psychiatrist who believes homosexuality is abnormal, deviant behavior.

Dr. Socarides continues to teach and practice psychiatry, but his views on homosexuality have damaged his position in his profession. He has been violently criticized by his peers. And his book on homosexuality, called "A Freedom Too Far," was refused by over 40 publishers. In the end, he had to print the book himself. But Socarides remains convinced that he has chosen the right path and claims that far from destroying his career, his views on homosexuality have actually helped his practice.

Charles Socarides: Oh, it's made it boom.

Alix Spiegel: It made it boom?

Charles Socarides: Boom, sure. Sure. I'm known both as the devil of the radical gay movement, and I'm also known as the savior of many homosexual's lives. Last week, I saw somebody with his son of 16, who said they'd taken the boy to six psychiatrists in New Jersey and every one of them said, get out of here. Or told him that he can't be helped. And that's happened over and over again.

I've had a lot of terrible words against me. But my patients will tell you differently. Any one of them.

[Source: Ibid]

The fact that this psychiatrist, who has treated more homosexuals than the majority of his peers, could not get a book on the subject published, shows that there are men and women across a range of industries who have conspired to silence any opposition to homosexual behavior. The American public is being presented with one view only. It is a view that would normalize and promote the spread of homosexual behavior.

Edward Bernays, the father of American propaganda, recognized the irrational honor that Americans give toward those who bear the title of "Doctor." Bernays employed the knowledge of this fact by enlisting doctors to sell any product, or idea, to the masses that he desired.







Despite the fact that cigarette smoking is the cause of lung cancer, emphysema, high blood pressure, and a host of other maladies, this did not prevent doctors with a personal interest from advocating the "benefits" and "healthiness" of cigarette smoking. Offer a man who loves money a substantial financial reward, and he will betray the Hippocratic oath to "do no harm." Millions of people worldwide have died horrendous deaths, gasping for breath, experiencing a sense of suffocating, being in terror of dying, because doctors told them for decades that cigarette smoking was healthy.

There was no science behind the claims that cigarette smoking is harmless, even as there is no science to support the contention that homosexual behavior is normal and harmless. People need to discern that adding the title "Doctor" to a person's name is no guarantee that the individual's advice will be either accurate, helpful, or harmless. No man's opinion should be beyond scrutiny. Those who fail to exercise due diligence in testing what they are being told by "professionals" and "experts" will suffer the consequences of their gullibility.

The National Public Radio program 81 Words, is divided into two parts. Ira Glass, the host of the show, introduced the second act of this presentation with the following words.

Ira Glass: Coming up, the scientific evidence that homosexuals might not be sick.

Despite the promise of "scientific evidence," Alix Spiegel shares that there were only two studies that existed that supported the GayPA's normalization of homosexual behavior. Both studies are highly suspect. One was a study done by Evelyn Hooker. The other is the infamous Kinsey Report *Sexual Behavior in the Human Male*, published in 1948. Alix Spiegel provides the following narrative.

Aside from Hooker, psychiatrists who wanted to change the DSM really only had one other scientific study on their side: Alfred Kinsey's famous 1948 sex survey, which found that a whopping 37% of all men had had physical contact to the point of orgasm with other men. A finding which, besides shocking the hell out of 63% of the American public, seemed to suggest that homosexual acts were too common to be considered a disease.

[Source: Ibid]

If you are shocked by the claim that 37% of men in the 1940s in America had experienced sexual orgasm with another male, you should be. Kinsey's report came under immediate criticism regarding its methodology.

Academic criticisms were made pertaining to sample selection and sample bias in the reports' methodology. Two main problems cited were that significant portions of the samples come from prison populations and male prostitutes, and that people who volunteer to be interviewed about taboo subject are likely to suffer from the problem of self-selection. Both undermine the usefulness of the sample in terms of determining the tendencies of the overall population. In 1948, the same year as the original publication, a committee of the American Statistical Association, including notable statisticians such as John Tukey, condemned the sampling procedure. Tukey was perhaps the most vocal critic, saying, "A random selection of three people would have been better than a group of 300 chosen by Mr. Kinsey." Criticism principally revolved around the over-representation of some groups in the sample: 25% were, or had been, prison inmates, and 5% were male prostitutes.[citation needed] Psychologist Abraham Maslow asserted that Kinsey did not consider "volunteer bias." The data represented only those volunteering to participate in discussion of taboo topics. Most Americans were reluctant to discuss the intimate details of their sex lives even with their spouses and close friends. Before the publication of Kinsey's reports, Maslow tested Kinsey's volunteers for bias. He concluded that Kinsey's sample was unrepresentative of the general population.

[Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kinsey Reports#Criticism]

There is no mention in the NPR program that there was any criticism of the Kinsey report. Instead, we find this statement immediately following the mention of it.

In spite of all this work, psychiatry continued to maintain that the homos were sick and steadfastly refused to reevaluate the DSM.

[Source: Ibid]

The narrator has admitted that there were only two reports suggesting that homosexuality was normal. One was a very small study of 30 homosexuals conducted by Evelyn Hooker. These people were friends and associates of Evelyn Hooker. They were all young men, all of whom were either students at UCLA, or friends of students who attended this California university. Evelyn Hooker specifically chose homosexual males from her study that had never been in prison, never gone to therapy, never been a patient at a mental hospital, and had never been disciplined by the military for homosexual behavior. Yet, Evelyn Hooker proposed to use this small sampling of carefully selected homosexual men for her study to demonstrate that homosexual men were normal, healthy individuals who posed no threat to society.

Evelyn Hooker subjected an equal number of homosexual and heterosexual males to a battery of psychiatric tests, including the Rorschach Test, also known as the ink blot test. Evelyn showed the results of her testing to three psychiatrists who did not know the identities of the men, or their sexual behavior, asking them to try to determine which men were homosexual. The results were not surprising. The psychiatrists determined that two thirds of each group exhibited characteristics of well adjusted, normally functioning human beings.

There are so many areas in which to criticize this study by Evelyn Hooker, that it is astonishing to realize that hers is one of the two primary studies used to justify the reclassification of homosexuality as normal and healthy behavior. She purposely excluded all homosexual males that had been in therapy, which would include homosexuals who did not view their sexual behavior to be normal or healthy. She excluded all who had been in mental hospitals, individuals whom others viewed to be unhealthy, and suffering from mental disorder. She excluded those who had been arrested or imprisoned either in society or in the military, which would once again have been symptomatic of sociopathic behavior. All of the homosexual men came from a specific societal group of educated men. They were all around the same age. This was not by any measure a random, or diverse sampling of homosexual males. Even as the Kinsey report was criticized for being unrepresentative of the general population, Ms. Hooker's report was unrepresentative of homosexual males.

One must also question the viability of determining who is normal and who is abnormal by subjecting them to interpretive tests such as the ink blot test. Such testing is highly subjective and its accuracy is dubious. This study by Evelyn Hooker was deficient in many ways. To arrive at the conclusions she set forth would require a far larger number of participants from across a wide spectrum of backgrounds, ages, and life experiences. It should be a long term study, rather than a momentary "snapshot" of one moment in a person's life. Those taking such tests, and understanding the purpose of it, would also be tempted to be dishonest in their answers, seeking to provide responses that would cause the tester to view them as healthy and normal, insuring that homosexuality be viewed favorably. The clinical environment of this small study would not necessarily lend itself to capturing an honest, unbiased view of the individuals. Who hasn't given another person an answer that was intended to cause the questioner to view them more favorably? Perhaps an individual should sit in on a few job interviews to see how often this occurs. This is a basic tendency of human nature and it leads to skewed results in examinations,

including those administered by psychiatrists.

One must also question the objectivity of these two individuals who were behind these studies. Evelyn Hooker was not an impartial clinician. Her chosen companions while at UCLA were homosexuals. Her friendship with these homosexual men predisposed her to seek to provide evidence that there was nothing abnormal about them. Dr. Alfred Kinsey, the author of the Kinsey reports on human sexuality, was an even less impartial source. Dr. Wiker, co-author of the book *Architects of the Culture of Death*, provided the following information on Dr. Kinsey in an interview with a Catholic University website.

Wiker: The sole purpose of Kinsey's various studies was to legitimate any and every kind of sexual activity, from adultery and homosexuality, to pedophilia and bestiality. Kinsey himself was, from his very early youth, a sado-masochistic homosexual. His father, Alfred Sr., was a staunch, no-nonsense Protestant who ran the household with an iron fist. Of course, young Alfred hid his sexual perversions from his father, and the contradiction between his outward moral uprightness and his inward, hidden sexual distortions caused him great anxiety. But by the time he went to graduate school, Kinsey was determined to use science to eliminate this anxiety. How? By eliminating the distinction between natural and unnatural in regard to sexuality. He wanted to use science to "prove" that every sexual desire, no matter how bizarre, is natural. [Source: http://www.ignatiusinsight.com/features/bwiker kinsey nov04.asp]

Again we see that it was a practicing sodomite that sought to legitimize a behavior that Yahweh condemns. Tragically, Christians have been giving honor to those who deserve no honor. Many Christians are as much in awe of the claims of "science," and its flawed practitioners, as are the unregenerate members of society. This was observed recently when the president of Exodus International parroted the same lines as the enemies of Yahweh when he abandoned his homosexual deliverance ministry by declaring that he no longer believes it is possible for a homosexual to be set free from his/her same sex attraction. The error of Exodus International was present from its inception as it sought to use the teachings of psychiatry in its therapy sessions with homosexuals. Alan Chambers apologized for laying the blame for homosexuality on the parents. Before declaring homosexuality to be both normal and irreversible, the APA believed that homosexuality was caused by "close-binding" mothers, which is over-protective women who made their children weak and feminine, and "detached, rejecting fathers."

Wiker goes on to explain the following about Alfred Kinsey.

Wiker: First and foremost, Kinsey's personal bias. As biographer James Jones points out, Kinsey long believed that human beings were naturally "pansexual," that is, they had no natural goal—such as heterosexuality—but if left to themselves in a kind of state of nature would satisfy their sexual desires in whatever way happened to strike their fancies. Society restricts this natural pansexuality, causing individuals all kinds of anxiety. Kinsey therefore believed that while we assume that people follow society's sexual rules, they secretly want to act upon their natural pansexuality, and very often do. This deviation from social sexual rules—be it in adultery or homosexuality—is really not a deviation at all, but our natural, pansexuality reasserting itself.

Kinsey's mode of argument was then quite simple, and the logic of it went something like this: we assume that X is abnormal; but we have found out that X occurs all the time; what occurs all the time cannot be abnormal, therefore it must really be normal; what is normal is also natural, and what is natural cannot be wrong.

[Source: Ibid]

In the previous post it was observed that this is the same logic being employed by the U.N. in its *Born Free and Equal* campaign. It is asserted that anything that is widespread in its occurrence must be natural, and if it is natural it must be normal. The message that people should embrace the evil tendencies in themselves as normal and acceptable, is being sold to America's youth through animated movies such as *Wreck-It Ralph*.

1'm bad, and that's good. I will never be good, and that's



not bad. There's no one 1'd rather be than me. - Ralph

Mankind, recognizing that they have evil tendencies within them, are being told to abandon the effort to suppress these impulses. They are being told that they need to be true to themselves by embracing the dark desires within them. This is leading to an explosion of moral deviancy as society no longer seeks to curb the harmful impulses of the flesh. The U.N., President Obama, and other homosexual advocates are seeking to portray homosexuals as healthy, wholesome individuals. They hide from view the truth about this sordid lifestyle, and those who practice it.

In talking about the recent movie on the life of Alfred Kinsey, whose character is played by Liam Neesen, Dr. Wiker asks the following about how accurately this man will be portrayed. (Warning! Graphic material.)

Will they show Kinsey talking his wife into having sex with his homosexual bedmates? And then there's the little matter of the pornographic films. Kinsey's Institute spent much of its time filming its staff of "scientists," including Kinsey, having homosexual sex with each other, masturbating, and engaging in sado-masochistic acts. Kinsey's wife Clara was pushed—for the sake of science, of course—into "acting" in these sexually sordid films. Will they show his wife having to engage in every manner of sexual perversion, both alone and with others, in front of Kinsey's camera? I doubt they will.

[Source: Ibid]

People of God, men like Alfred Kinsey are the "professionals," the "doctors," and "learned men" who are selling a homosexual agenda to the world. They hide behind the title of "Doctor" as they hide the truth that they are debauched men who routinely engage in deprayed sexual behavior.

Why should the world, much less the Christian, give any credence at all to the "studies" men of depraved minds parade forth that claim homosexuality is healthy, wholesome, natural human behavior?

When Christians parrot the words of ungodly men, and begin to say that sin is normal, and that a person cannot change who they are, they are denying the power of Christ to set men free.

I Corinthians 6:9-11

Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, shall inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and in the Spirit of our God.

The next time someone tells you that homosexuality is normal behavior, consider the "authorities" who are behind this claim. It is sodomite males such as Dr. John Spiegel and Dr. Alfred Kinsey, who are the "experts" that have championed this perverse ideology.

Chapter 4



Gay, Proud, & Christian?

The apostle Paul wrote:

II Timothy 3:13

But evil men and seducers will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived.

There are seducers among the churches today. Their apostate teachings are growing worse and worse. A generation ago there were men and women in the church who were advocating that divorce and remarriage be normalized, that divorce no longer be declared to be a transgression of the will of Yahweh. Forty years later the Lutheran, Presbyterian, and Episcopalian churches in America have embraced homosexuality as a normal lifestyle. They have even adopted policies that permit non-celibate homosexuals to be ordained as ministers. When sin is not resisted, it increases.

A year ago I wrote about an event that occurred in America's Midwest that contained a striking message from Yahweh. Following is an excerpt from that post:

An event took place in the upper Midwest of the U.S.A. that I believe relates to the message the Father is bringing forth. What appeared to be a relatively benign storm suddenly became severe, but it is the specific damage that it caused that arrests the attention.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America was holding a convention at the Minneapolis Convention Center. The Central Lutheran Church is located nearby and was serving as a preparation area to provide meals to convention attendees. Suddenly the sky turned dark and a fierce wind arose and scattered the tables and chairs outside the church.



Sudden Destruction at the Central Lutheran Church

I am reminded of Christ, when He entered the Temple in Jerusalem and overturned the tables of the merchants and money changers. The Lutheran Church is the same church that George Tiller, America's largest abortion provider, was a member of until a gunman entered the Lutheran Church in Kansas City and shot him dead. Not only was George Tiller a member, but he was a deacon in the Lutheran church.

This storm also damaged an independent music store in Minneapolis that bore the very unusual name the *Electric Fetus*. The windows were blown out and the roof collapsed while stores on either side of it remained undamaged.



Electric Fetus

I am persuaded that the Lord is declaring in this event that there are two core issues for which He is bringing swift judgment to the Lutheran Church. One is for her tolerance, and even support of, abortion. The other is for her present actions to sanction homosexuality within the church. The following item revealing the agenda of this Lutheran convention was found on the *Catholic News Agency* site.

Minneapolis, Minn., Aug 18, 2009 / 11:38 pm (CNA).-

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) is considering a proposal that would allow members in homosexual relationships to serve as clergy. It has denied a motion to require a higher proportion of votes for the proposal to pass.

It is suspected that a tornado was spawned from the thunderstorm moving through Minneapolis. It struck the church at approximately 2:00 P.M., the very time the convention was scheduled to begin consideration of the proposed *Social Statement on Human Sexuality*. This statement included comments advocating the acceptance of homosexuality as a normal lifestyle.

Not only did the storm overturn the tables outside Central Lutheran Church, it also damaged the church's steeple, leaving the cross atop it dangling upside down. The inverted cross is a symbol used by the Satanic Church.



The convention passed the *Social Statement on Human Sexuality*, but before it was passed various amendments were recommended.

including one that sought to replace a section of the social statement about "lifelong monogamous same-gender relationships" with one that asserts the "practice of homosexual erotic behavior as contrary to God's intent."

In a 667-303 vote, the assembly opted against the aforementioned change, following the recommendation of an ad hoc committee that advised against the amendment's adoption since the position articulated implies "a consensus that no longer exists."

[Source:

 $\frac{http://www.christianpost.com/article/20090820/elca-delegates-narrowly-adopt-new-sexuality-stated ement/index.html]}{}$

There is not even a consensus among this apostate religious organization that the practice of homosexual erotic behavior is contrary to God's intent.

A further symbolic note is that this same storm system struck a town called Loami. This is a name used prophetically in the Scriptures, and the understanding is very clear.

Hosea 1:9

And Yahweh said, "Name him Lo-ammi, for you are not My people and I am not your God."

People of God, these are very serious matters. Judgment must begin at the house of God. He is even now making a division among those who are His righteous servants and those who are not. [End Excerpt]

A growing number of Christians are finding it necessary to leave the churches of which they have been a part. Some have grown up in a particular church or denomination, but are finding that there is such a falling away from truth and righteousness that their consciences will not permit them to continue in association with them any longer. The words of Revelation are being fulfilled in this hour.

Revelation 18:4-5

And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, "Come out of her [Babylon, the Harlot Church], my people, that you may not participate in her sins and that you may not receive of her plagues; for her sins have piled up as high as heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities."

I would impress upon you the seriousness of what is occurring in this hour. Do NOT think it is a harmless thing to agree with the forces of ungodliness who wish for all the world to accept homosexuality as a normal lifestyle. If you refuse to call sin sin, then you have professed God to be a liar and the truth is not in you. Yahweh sent a message to the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America. His message is "You are NOT My people, and I am NOT your God!"



Who then is the god of this apostate church? The upside down cross is a symbol of anti-Christ. Is it not evident that when a church rejects the judgment of Yahweh regarding the definition of a sin that He has described as "an abomination," and they vote to appoint practicing sodomites as church leaders, that they are being guided by Satan, the god of this world?

II Corinthians 4:3-4

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, in whose case the god of

this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving, that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

After exhorting the saints to have nothing to do with immorality and impurity, the apostle Paul declared:

Ephesians 5:6-12

Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not be partakers with them; for you were formerly darkness, but now you are light in the Lord; walk as children of light (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness and righteousness and truth), trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. And do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness, but instead even expose them; for it is disgraceful even to speak of the things which are done by them in secret.

I am compelled to offer an apology for writing about such shameful things. I do not enjoy doing so. Yet, there is such great darkness entering into the church, and so many Christians are being swept away in the flood of deception and seducing words, that there is a need to confront this tide of wickedness and call it what it is.

I can sense the passion in Paul's words when he writes, "Let no one deceive you!" Yet, the church, along with the world, is being deceived. A growing number of denominations, churches, ministers, and individual Christians are finding that it is increasingly difficult to live peacefully in a darkening world while holding forth the light of truth. Wanting to avoid persecution, and desiring to be accepted by the world, Christians are exchanging light for darkness.

Paul wrote that seducers would grow worse and worse. Sin never remains in a condition of stasis. When the church does not apply an equal, or greater force, in its effort to stem the tide of sin, sin will increase and eventually overwhelm the people of God. Many churches today have removed all focus on sin. They have become "seeker friendly" congregations that do not wish to offend anyone. There is no effort at all being exerted to "push back" against the sin that is assailing society and entering into the church. By ceasing to guard against the encroachment of sin, the church is allowing even gross abominations to enter into their midst.

As vile and detestable as homosexual behavior is, sin will seek to manifest in ever increasing ways. Yesterday a sister posted a comment on the Parables Blog and provided a link to the following article.

Pedophiles want same rights as homosexuals by Jack Minor

Using the same tactics used by "gay" rights activists, pedophiles have begun to seek similar status arguing their desire for children is a sexual orientation no different than heterosexual or homosexuals.

Critics of the homosexual lifestyle have long claimed that once it became acceptable to identify

homosexuality as simply an "alternative lifestyle" or sexual orientation, logically nothing would be off limits. "Gay" advocates have taken offense at such a position insisting this would never happen. However, psychiatrists are now beginning to advocate redefining pedophilia in the same way homosexuality was redefined several years ago.

In 1973 the American Psychiatric Association declassified homosexuality from its list of mental disorders. A group of psychiatrists with B4U-Act recently held a symposium proposing a new definition of pedophilia in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Health Disorders of the APA.

B4U-Act calls pedophiles "minor-attracted people." The organization's website states its purpose is to, "help mental health professionals learn more about attraction to minors and to consider the effects of stereotyping, stigma and fear."

In 1998 The APA issued a report claiming "that the 'negative potential' of adult sex with children was 'overstated' and that 'the vast majority of both men and women reported no negative sexual effects from childhood sexual abuse experiences."

Pedophilia has already been granted protected status by the Federal Government. The Matthew Shephard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Prevention Act lists "sexual orientation" as a protected class; however, it does not define the term.

Republicans attempted to add an amendment specifying that "pedophilia is not covered as an orientation;" however, the amendment was defeated by Democrats. Rep. Alcee Hastings (D-Fl) stated that all alternative sexual lifestyles should be protected under the law. "This bill addresses our resolve to end violence based on prejudice and to guarantee that all Americans, regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disability or all of these 'philias' and fetishes and 'isms' that were put forward need not live in fear because of who they are. I urge my colleagues to vote in favor of this rule..."

Earlier this year two psychologists in Canada declared that pedophilia is a sexual orientation just like homosexuality or heterosexuality.

Van Gijseghem, psychologist and retired professor of the University of Montreal, told members of Parliament, "Pedophiles are not simply people who commit a small offense from time to time but rather are grappling with what is equivalent to a sexual orientation just like another individual may be grappling with heterosexuality or even homosexuality."

He went on to say, "True pedophiles have an exclusive preference for children, which is the same as having a sexual orientation. You cannot change this person's sexual orientation. He may, however, remain abstinent..."

Dr. Quinsey, professor emeritus of psychology at Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario, agreed with Van Gijseghem. Quinsey said pedophiles' sexual interests prefer children and, "There is no evidence that this sort of preference can be changed through treatment or through

anything else."

In July, 2010 Harvard health Publications said, "Pedophilia is a sexual orientation and unlikely to change. Treatment aims to enable someone to resist acting on his sexual urges."

Linda Harvey, of Mission America, said the push for pedophiles to have equal rights will become more and more common as LGBT groups continue to assert themselves. "It's all part of a plan to introduce sex to children at younger and younger ages; to convince them that normal friendship is actually a sexual attraction."

Milton Diamond, a University of Hawaii professor and director of the Pacific Center for Sex and Society, stated that child pornography could be beneficial to society because, "Potential sex offenders use child pornography as a substitute for sex against children..."

The IASHS lists, on its website, a list of "basic sexual rights" that includes "the right to engage in sexual acts or activities of any kind whatsoever, providing they do not involve nonconsensual acts, violence, constraint, coercion or fraud." Another right is to, "be free of persecution, condemnation, discrimination, or societal intervention in private sexual behavior" and "the freedom of any sexual thought, fantasy or desire." The organization also says that no one should be "disadvantaged because of age."

[Source: http://www.greeleygazette.com/press/?p=11517]

Recently, news articles have reported on the increase of the practice of bestiality (having sexual intercourse with animals.) This is another profane act that Yahweh condemns.

Exodus 22:19

Whoever lies with an animal shall surely be put to death.

Leviticus 18:23-24

You shall not have intercourse with any animal to be defiled with it, nor shall any woman stand before an animal to mate with it; it is a perversion. Do not defile yourselves by any of these things; for by all these the nations which I am casting out before you have become defiled.

Leviticus 20:15-16

If there is a man who lies with an animal, he shall surely be put to death; you shall also kill the animal. If there is a woman who approaches any animal to mate with it, you shall kill the woman and the animal; they shall surely be put to death. Their bloodguiltiness is upon them.

Do you think such behavior is so wicked that it will never become commonplace or made legal? In 1969, the same year that homosexuality was removed from the criminal code in Germany, bestiality was also legalized. People who practice bestiality are called zoophiles. There is a zoophile lobbying group that advocates for human/animal intercourse rights in the same way that the homosexuals have lobbied for the right to unrestricted same sex intercourse. This zoophile group, known as ZETA, claims that there are 100,000 zoophiles in Germany. Farmers have aroused attention as this deviant behavior has become so common that their livestock is

frequently traumatized by men who sneak into barns, or fields at night, to ravish the sheep and other animals. Animal rights groups are alarmed that dogs, and even cats, are being adopted from shelters for the purpose of exploiting them sexually.

Nor is this behavior simply an European problem. The American Family Association, a Christian political action organization, asked for a boycott of Sears last year because this American retailer was selling sexually erotic books and materials on their website. Two of the books that the AFA listed were "Dearest Pet, On Bestiality" and "Bestiality and Zoophilia: Sexual Relations with Animals." This latter book is reportedly a "how-to" manual for those wanting to have sexual relations with animals. Sears withdrew this material from their website for a period of two months, but has since re-listed it.

In the United States, there are no federal laws banning sex between humans and animals. The only federal law to prohibit zoophilia <u>was</u> found in the Uniform Code of Military Justice in the United States Armed Forces, which banned sodomy. Now that sodomy has been declared legal, bestiality is also unrestricted by the federal government. Traditionally, it has been left to the individual states to determine what is declared to be indecent, immoral, and harmful sexual behavior. Almost all of the states have had laws on the books banning sexual intercourse with animals, even as they had laws prohibiting sodomy. In recent years a trend has developed among the states to repeal existing statutes that criminalized zoophilia. Bestiality is now legal in the following states:

Alabama - Bestiality decriminalized in 1980

Hawaii - Bestiality decriminalized in 1973

Kentucky - No laws were ever enacted to criminalize this behavior.

Montana - Bestiality decriminalized in 1997

Nevada - Bestiality decriminalized in 1993

New Hampshire - Bestiality decriminalized in 1975

New Jersey - Bestiality decriminalized in 1979

New Mexico - Bestiality decriminalized in 1975

Ohio - Bestiality decriminalized in 1974

Texas - Bestiality decriminalized in 1974

Vermont - Bestiality decriminalized in 1977

Virginia - Bestiality decriminalized this year, on March 21, 2013

West Virginia - Bestiality decriminalized in 1976

Wyoming - Bestiality decriminalized in 1977

[Source of Data: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zoophilia and the law in the United States]

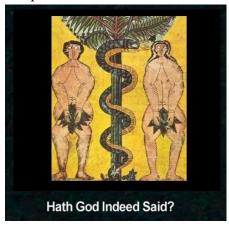
The Bible declares that when Christ returns the world will be in a condition similar to the days of Noah. Of that day we are told:

Genesis 6:5

Then Yahweh saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

Restraint is being removed from the earth. Darkness is increasing over the nations. Gross darkness is taking hold of the people. To its great shame, the church is refusing to take a stand, but has adopted a policy of appeasement instead. The people of God are called to be a light unto the world, to hold forth the standard of Yahweh's righteousness and holiness. To those churches, denominations, and Christians who turn away from righteousness and declare sexually deviant behavior to be normal and acceptable, Yahweh will declare, "You are NOT My people. Depart from Me. I never knew you."

Chapter 5



Satan's tactics have not changed since he first appeared to mankind as the serpent in the Garden of Eden. Yahweh had informed man of His will.

Genesis 2:16-17

And Yahweh God commanded the man, saying, "From any tree of the garden you may eat freely; but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you shall surely die."

Satan urged Eve to question what Yahweh had said. The serpent then told the woman that what Yahweh had spoken was not true.

Genesis 3:4-5

And the serpent said to the woman, "You surely shall not die! For God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

Satan continues to invite mankind to question Yahweh's words to this day. The serpent tells humanity that they will not perish if they practice those things that Yahweh declares to be evil. The serpent today appears in human form. In a parallel to the account in Genesis, his human disciples bear the emblem of the serpent.

Homosexuality is normal, just different.



Not all doctors are servants of Satan. There are many who perform a valuable service to mankind. Every day there are many people whose lives are saved, or improved, through the skill and knowledge of medical professionals. It is the very fact that much extraordinary good is done by the medical profession that has made it such a powerful vehicle for Satan to corrupt and employ for his evil purposes. Because mankind venerates the medical profession, according those with the title of "Doctor" an increased honor, the medical community has become a powerful tool in the hands of Satan. Because mankind is predisposed to give great weight to the words of those who are called "Doctors," those individuals bearing this appellation are chosen by Satan to be the spokesmen of his campaign to debase and demoralize humanity.

Like Satan, the medical profession has a reputation for wisdom and knowledge. The prophet Ezekiel describes the fallen angel Lucifer in the following manner.

Ezekiel 28:12

"You were the seal of perfection, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty."

The first mention of Satan in the Bible portrays him in the form of a serpent, a creature renowned for its subtlety, or cunning.

Genesis 3:1

Now the serpent was more subtle (cunning) than any beast of the field which Yahweh God had made.

The Bible reveals that great intelligence and wisdom do not necessarily correlate to righteousness, truth, or a benevolent attitude. Satan has used his great intellect and knowledge to wreak havoc among mankind and all creation. Yahshua declared Satan to be both a liar and a murderer. The Son of God further stated that Satan "comes only to kill, steal, and destroy." Humanity errs greatly when it assumes that those with great knowledge or intellect will prove themselves to be noble and virtuous.

Many years ago I did a study on the caduceus, the symbol of the medical profession. There are some differences between depictions of this symbol. Some show one serpent entwined on a pole, while others show two serpents. There are wings present in some images of the caduceus, while being absent in others. (Some refer to the single serpent on a pole without wings as "the staff of Asclepius.") One thing I learned in my studies is that the word "serpent" comes from the same root as the word "sapient," which means "wise." Another thing I observed about this medical symbol relates to the serpent in the Garden. Before Yahweh cursed the serpent, the serpent was a winged creature that flew through the air.



Feathered Serpent

Genesis 3:14

So Yahweh God said to the serpent: "Because you have done this, you are cursed more than all cattle, and more than every beast of the field; On your belly you shall go, and you shall eat dust all the days of your life."

The serpent did not crawl on its belly in its original form. You may ask, "How does one know that the serpent had wings?" This is revealed through a number of ways. Satan is described as "the serpent of old" and "the dragon." Dragon's are winged serpents.

Revelation 20:2

And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan...

Satan is also described as "the prince of the power of the air" (Ephesians 2:2). It is logical that Satan would appear in the Garden in the form of an animal that flew through the air. Yahweh judged the winged serpent even as He had previously judged Lucifer when as an angel he had rebelled in heaven.

Ezekiel 28:17

"Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; You corrupted your wisdom by reason of your splendor. *I cast you to the ground*..."

The winged serpent was cast to the ground, cursed to ever crawl upon its belly. I share these things because the emblem adopted by the medical profession, despite the mythology surrounding Hermes, Asclepius, and other fables, bears stunning resemblance to the story of Satan's temptation of mankind in the Garden. There is a serpent, or serpents, entwined on a pole even as the serpent in the Garden appears in a tree. There are wings, yet the wings are detached from the serpent. The ball depicted at the top of some staffs even resembles the fruit that is a central part of the story.



It is ever the practice of Satan to present himself as one who is bearing good gifts for mankind, particularly gifts related to knowledge. The medical profession offers to mankind the gift of health. Their ability to offer this gift is directly related to knowledge. People go to a physician to receive medical *advice*. They want an authority to provide them with information and counsel they do not possess. The advice of a doctor is trusted, even in matters of life and death.

I have on a number of occasions shared that the mythological story of Prometheus is a story of Satan's transgression and judgment by Yahweh. Yet, it is a story that is told from the twisted perspective of Satan. In the post titled <u>A Rockefeller Christmas</u>, I have shared the following.

The Rockefellers are Luciferians, championing this fallen angelic being as a bringer of wisdom and knowledge to mankind. Their esteem of Lucifer is revealed in the artwork found at Rockefeller Center.



Prometheus Bringing Sacred Fire to Man

The statue of Prometheus bringing fire down from heaven and giving it to mankind, is one of the most evident pieces of art found on the Rockefeller Center complex. It is a re-telling of the story of Lucifer who offered to mankind the fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil. An Internet website shares the following commentary on this statue found on the Rockefeller property.

This statue depicts Prometheus, a Titan of Greek mythology known for his great intelligence. He

has however betrayed the god Zeus by stealing fire and giving it to mankind. He is credited to have taught mankind the arts of civilization such as writing, mathematics, agriculture, medicine, and science. Zeus then punished Prometheus for his crime by having him bound to a rock while a great eagle ate his liver every day only to have it grow back to be eaten again the next day.

Paul Manship's sculpture featured in the Sunken Plaza of the Rockefeller Center portrays Prometheus holding the fire stolen from Zeus and gliding towards humanity. He lies inside a ring in which are outlined the signs of the Zodiac. Behind the statue is an inscription saying:

"Prometheus, teacher in every art, brought the fire that hath proved to mortals a means to mighty ends."

[Source: http://vigilantcitizen.com/?p=329]

Substitute the name Lucifer for Prometheus, and you will perceive the true substance of this monument. Lucifer was judged by God, but not for a benevolent act on behalf of mankind. Lucifer's fall occurred prior to Adam and Eve's residency in Eden. It is described by the prophet Isaiah

Isaiah 14:12-14

"How you have fallen from heaven, *O star of the morning*, son of the dawn! You have been cut down to the earth, you who have weakened the nations! But you said in your heart, 'I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God, and I will sit on the mount of assembly in the recesses of the north. I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High."

It is necessary to understand this history of Satan's fall in order to properly perceive the symbolism present in the Christmas tree. It will perhaps come to some people's minds that it is traditional to either place an angel, or a star, atop the Christmas tree. Though these symbols are commonly related back to the birth of Christ, this is merely the deceit of Satan. The star, and the angel, are his own image. That the star and angels are commonly lighted relate to his name Lucifer which means "light bearer."

The Rockefellers are far from being champions of Christianity. If the Christmas tree were a symbol of the birth of the Son of God, then why would the Rockefellers, servants of Lucifer, have established a tradition of placing one of the largest, most expensive Christmas trees in the world in a central location at Rockefeller Center? There are no other symbols of Christ present. However, there are a great many symbols relating to Lucifer. Note the image of Prometheus, and its proximity to the Christmas tree.



Rockefeller Christmas Tree w/Prometheus Carrying Fire

These two symbols are very much linked to one another. There is no disparity in the minds of Illuminists. To them the image of this fallen bringer of forbidden knowledge, and the lighted tree behind it, tell one and the same story.

[End Excerpt]

Prometheus is said to have brought the knowledge of medicine and the healing arts to mankind. Not coincidentally, the medical profession throughout America has for generations been controlled and guided by the Rockefeller family. Their investment in medical schools, and their monopoly of the medical certification field, has led to the subverting of the medical profession, making it a slave to corporate interests, chief among them being pharmaceutical companies. Rockefeller influence has also allowed the medical profession to be used as a platform to shape cultural beliefs and values.

Despite the benefit that many derive from medical practitioners, there is a dark side to this field. Most Americans are unaware that the medical profession is the leading cause of death, sickness, and injury in the nation. Giving testimony before Congress, Lucian Leape, M.D. stated the following:

Findings from several studies of large numbers of hospitalized patients indicate that each year a million or more people are injured and as many as 100,000 die as a result of errors in their care. This makes medical care one of the leading causes of death, accounting for more lost lives than automobile accidents, breast cancer or AIDS.

[Source: http://www.apa.org/ppo/issues/sleape.html]

The Washington Post reported the following:

Medication Errors Harming Millions, Report Says

By Marc Kaufman Washington Post Staff Writer Friday, July 21, 2006

At least 1.5 million Americans are sickened, injured or killed each year by errors in prescribing, dispensing and taking medications, the influential Institute of Medicine concluded in a major report released yesterday.

Mistakes in giving drugs are so prevalent in hospitals that, on average, a patient will be subjected to a medication error each day he or she occupies a hospital bed, the report by a panel of experts said.

[Source: www.washingtonpost.com]

Additionally, there is the risk of becoming infected with an illness while at the hospital. Nosocomial infections are infections which are a result of treatment in a hospital, or a healthcare service unit, but secondary to the patient's original condition.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimated roughly 1.7 million hospital-associated infections, from all types of bacteria combined, cause or contribute to 99,000 deaths each year. Other estimates indicate 10%, or 2 million, patients a year become infected, with the annual cost ranging from \$4.5 billion to \$11 billion. In the USA, the most frequent type of infection hospitalwide is urinary tract infection (36%), followed by surgical site infection (20%), and bloodstream infection and pneumonia (both 11%)

[Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hospital-acquired infection]

These statistics do not begin to address the harm done to humanity as the medical profession provides abortion services and counseling. In the United States alone 50-60 million babies have been murdered by members of the medical profession in the past 40 years. Furthermore, the medical profession has emotionally crippled and mentally maimed millions of children and adults as it has prescribed powerful mind altering drugs to them. The devastation done to society through means of this chemical sorcery is immense.

I do not use the phrase "chemical sorcery" lightly. The New Testament of the Bible was written in Greek. In the ancient Greek language the word translated into English as "sorcery" is "pharmakeia." (See Revelation 18:23) This is the same Greek word from which we derive the English words "pharmacy," "pharmacist," and "pharmaceuticals." Dr. Peter Breggin is a licensed psychiatrist who has spent more than 30 years warning Americans about the dangers of psychotropic drugs. Dr. Breggin is not a Christian, and I cannot recommend many of his views, but I highly recommend his expose of the dangers of psychiatric, mind altering drugs.

Dr. Breggin coined the phrase "medication spellbinding" to describe the effect that psychiatric drugs have on people. The word "spellbinding" is a reference to sorcery. It describes someone whose thoughts and actions are altered without the individual being able to recognize the manner, or degree, to which they have been altered. In the following video, Dr. Breggin describes

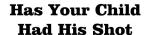
medication spellbinding.

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A database containing hundreds of examples of people who committed suicide, performed violent acts including multiple murders, or exhibited other signs of mania, while taking doctor prescribed psychotropic drugs can be found at the website *SSRI Stories*. http://ssristories.com/

These facts describe some of the dark aspects of the medical profession. Far from being a benevolent community following the Hippocratic injunction to "first, do no harm," millions are sickened, injured, or killed by medical practitioners every year. All of this damage to society is done by a medical profession that is raking in trillions of dollars annually in the United States alone. Medical care is the single largest expense category for the average American citizen, greater even than the cost of housing, or food.

Yet, an even greater harm is being committed by this profession that has fallen under the influence of Satan to such an astonishing degree. The medical community defines what is normal and abnormal behavior. They inform society about what is healthy and what is unhealthy. By using their authority and influence to declare homosexuality to be normal, and even desirable behavior, doctors and other healthcare practitioners are destroying the moral fabric of society. It is a more serious transgression to corrupt the souls of men than it is to inflict injury to their bodies.





of Sodomy Today?



Yesterday, a sister in Christ sent me a link to the following article.

Pediatricians should decorate office with pictures of gay couples by Kirsten Andersen WASHINGTON, D.C., August 1, 2013 (LifeSiteNews.com)

If you're a physician who sees children and adolescents on a regular basis, there is a lot you can do to encourage young patients and their families to view homosexuality as normal and healthy, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics.

The AAP recently issued an updated policy statement concerning homosexuality to its 60,000 members. The new guidelines say pediatricians should strive to "provide the context that being LGBTQ is normal, just different."

According to the AAP, homosexuality "should not be considered abnormal." While the organization acknowledges that "LGBTQ" teens as a whole engage in riskier behaviors and report higher rates of substance abuse, promiscuity, depression, self-harm, and even teen pregnancy, they blame that on "the presence of stigma from homophobia and heterosexism," which "often leads to psychological distress [and] an increase in risk behaviors."

As a result, the organization says doctors should make every effort to eliminate heterosexism in their practices.

Heterosexism is defined as "the societal expectation that heterosexuality is the expected norm and that, somehow, LGBTQ individuals are abnormal." The AAP calls heterosexism "insidious and damaging."

The organization recommends doctors display brochures and images featuring same-sex couples as well as straight ones, and affix rainbow decals throughout their offices to show they embrace homosexuality.

Doctors are urged to ensure that all office forms are gender neutral and do not presume heterosexuality; for example, forms should refer to "parent(s) or guardian(s)," not "mother and father."

The group also warns doctors to never assume that a young patient is heterosexual. If a child tells her doctor she is having sex, the first question the AAP recommends physicians ask is, "Are you having sex with males, females, or both?"

According to the AAP, doctors should make it clear to their underage patients that they will never discuss their sex lives with their parents.

"Pediatricians and their office staff should encourage teenagers to feel comfortable talking with them about their emerging sexual identities and concerns about their sexual activities," say the guidelines. "Care should be confidential, and it is not the role of the pediatrician to inform parents/guardians about the teenager's sexual identity or behavior; doing so could expose the youth to harm."

Additionally, the AAP recommends pediatricians take an active role in promoting acceptance of homosexual behavior in their schools and communities.

"Pediatricians should support or create gay-straight alliances at schools," the guidelines state, "and support the development and enforcement of zero-tolerance policies for homophobic teasing, bullying, harassment, and violence."

The group also recommends physicians keep a list of homosexual advocacy groups and their websites handy to give to children who express confusion about their sexuality. [Source:

http://www.lifesitenews.com/news/pediatricians-should-decorate-office-with-pictures-of-gay-couples-medical-g#sec-1]



There have been some physicians who have refused to serve as advocates for immoral government propaganda, but soon they will have no choice. With the passage of the Affordable Care Act, also known as "Obamacare," all aspects of healthcare provision are firmly under the government's control. Any doctor who refuses to act as an advocate of the homosexual lobby will soon find that they are no longer able to practice medicine.

Brothers and sisters, I share this information that you might be set free from any awe of men and women in white coats. The stereotypical white smock worn by a doctor is a subtlety of the enemy. The Bible describes the saints who are cleansed and made righteous as being adorned in white raiment (Revelation 3:5; 3:18; 4:4; etc.). The apostle Paul informs us:

II Corinthians 11:14-15

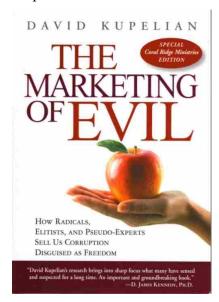
Satan disguises himself as an angel of light. Therefore it is not surprising if his servants also disguise themselves as servants of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their deeds.

Do not buy into the image presented of Doctors arrayed in white garments, with documents upon their office walls attesting to their great learning. Such things qualify no man to overturn the righteous judgments of God. "Men, professing themselves to be wise, have become as fools" (Romans 1:22).

There is no science behind the medical claims that homosexuality is "normal" and "safe" behavior. There is only hubris. In their pride, men and women who are esteemed in the eyes of society are offering to mankind words that appear wise. They are calling that which Yahweh declared evil to be good. Do not take a bite from the forbidden fruit. A profession that has brought death to tens of millions of babies in the womb, and has caused the death of millions

who were enjoying life, will compound their guilt as they now lead multitudes into lives of gross immorality. Do not bestow honor to those undeserving of honor.				

Chapter 6



One aspect of the global push for homosexual normalization in which the truth is largely unknown is that the campaign to champion "gay-rights" is NOT a grass-roots movement. It is often difficult to bring Christians to the realization that the media in America, and across the world, is controlled by a cabal of global elites who are servants of Satan.

Growing up in America in the 1960s and '70s, I heard a great deal of condemnation of the propagandistic, state-controlled media in communist nations, particularly the Soviet Union. I was made to understand that the press in communist nations was rigidly controlled, that it did not permit dissenting opinions, and that news was reported in such a way that it always served the aims of those in positions of power.

I remember thinking as a youth that surely everyone in those nations must realize that the media is state-controlled, and that they must disdain what is reported as biased and lacking truth. I could not imagine citizens of communist nations taking the reports in the press seriously. I imagined that men and women had to be truly blind, or exceptionally naive, to give credence to what was reported in the state controlled media.

The great subtlety of Satan was such that failed to consider that the media in America was equally biased, and existed to serve the ends of those in positions of power. The mantra that America is a free nation with a free press was so pervasive as I was growing up, that I accepted this as truth. It never occurred to me that America was just as thoroughly propagandized as Russia, or some other despotic communist regime.

In the recent series titled *Dragon Flood*, I shared the following information.

A moneyed elite found it possible to control the climate in which attitudes are formed, and actions are birthed. By control of the media and the governments of nations, they are well positioned to not only set the agenda for public discussion, but to define the

limits of that discussion. They dictate the conversation and choose the subjects of public debate.

In 1983, 50 corporations controlled the vast majority of all news media in the U.S. At the time, Ben Bagdikian was called "alarmist" for pointing this out in his book, The Media Monopoly. In his 4th edition, published in 1992, he wrote "in the U.S., fewer than two dozen of these extraordinary creatures own and operate 90% of the mass media" — controlling almost all of America's newspapers, magazines, TV and radio stations, books, records, movies, videos, wire services and photo agencies. He predicted then that eventually this number would fall to about half a dozen companies. This was greeted with skepticism at the time. When the 6th edition of The Media Monopoly was published in 2000, the number had fallen to six. Since then, there have been more mergers and the scope has expanded to include new media like the Internet market.

In 2004, Bagdikian's revised and expanded book, The New Media Monopoly, shows that only 5 huge corporations — Time Warner, Disney, Murdoch's News Corporation, Bertelsmann of Germany, and Viacom (formerly CBS) — now control most of the media industry in the U.S..

[Source: http://www.corporations.org/media/]



Media Consolidation

(Click on Image to View Larger)

The actual state of the media control is worse than the images above reveal. All of these major media corporations have interlocking relationships as men and women who serve on the board of the companies in one group also serve on the boards of corporations from other groups. The entire world has fallen under the sway of a global corporatocracy.

The phrase "Interlocking Directorate" describes the practice of global corporations to place directors from one company on the board of another company to increase power, coordination, and influence of the businesses joined in this way. This leads to a high level of coordination between companies, which explains why there are thousands of individual media companies that all run the same stories. These corporate directors are not the true powers behind the scene. They are the appointed ambassadors of a smaller group of global elite. These new world order ambassadors/corporate directors carefully guide all of the amassed media entities under their sway, causing the public to place their focus upon whatever subject is determined by the powers that be.

The appearance of conflict between media companies like Fox News, MSNBC, and CNN are carefully controlled ruses. The global elite carefully select both sides of an argument so that any free thought that is in opposition to their goals will be excluded. It is much like the charade carried on by the Democratic and Republican parties during elections. In the most recent presidential contest, the only candidate that presented a view contrary to the global elite was Ron Paul. The media made a point to marginalize Ron Paul, downplaying his support, characterizing him as "unelectable," and removing all mention of him from articles that made mention of those who stood as frontrunners.

The candidates who did receive favorable attention were all handpicked servants of the global elite. The following video reveals the manner in which the media controls thoughts by framing a debate, excluding those people who are free thinkers, and eliminating all debate that threatens the global aims of the ruling powers.

http://youtu.be/qtDJ6Ay4QMw

Those with any integrity can clearly see that the policies of the U.S. government did not change at all when the Republican President George W. Bush was replaced by the Democratic President Barack Hussein Obama. Despite many campaign promises that things would be different, America has seen more of the same. The media portrayal of substantive differences between the chosen candidates of the two major parties is a scam to deceive the gullible. Both parties are controlled by the financial powers of a global elite.

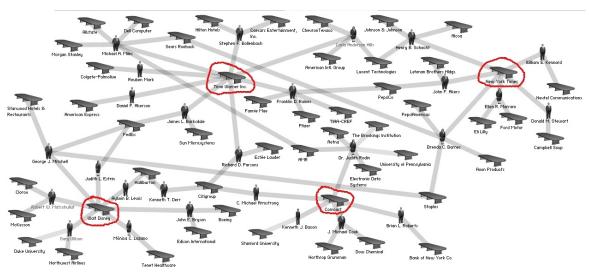
In his book titled *Propaganda*, published in 1928, Edward Bernays wrote:

The conscious and intelligent manipulation of the organized habits and opinions of the masses is an important element in democratic society. Those who manipulate this unseen mechanism of society constitute an invisible government which is the true ruling power of our country.

We are governed, our minds molded, our tastes formed, our ideas suggested, largely by men we have never heard of. This is a logical result of the way in which democratic society is organized...

Whatever attitude one chooses toward this condition, it remains a fact that in almost every act of our daily lives, whether in the sphere of politics or business, in our social conduct or ethical thinking, we are dominated by the relatively small number of persons - a trifling fraction... who understand the mental processes and social patterns of the masses. It is they who pull the wires which control the public mind...

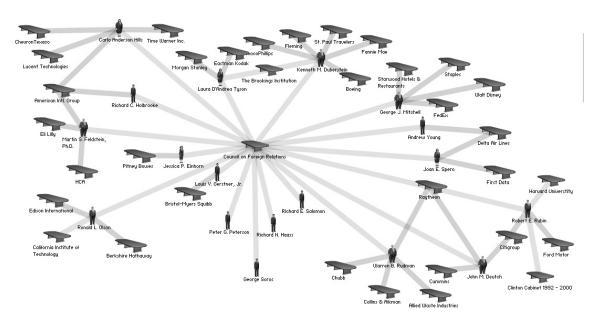
The control of the vehicles of thought has become increasingly aggregated in the hands of a few. As the infographic previously displayed in this article states "6 media giants now control 90% of what we read, watch, or listen to." This number has since declined to 5 media giants, and each of the five have interlocking relationships. The following graphic is taken from a Wikipedia article.



[Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Interlocking directorate]

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The above graphic shows men and women who serve on multiple corporate boards. Yet, the connections are far more extensive when one adds membership in multi-national guidance groups such as the Council on Foreign Relations. It is at the meetings of these elite organizations that the policies to be promoted by the individual members are disseminated.



[Source: Ibid]

These graphics show just a portion of the amassed interlocks between the men and women who run the world's global corporations. The image above reveals that Carla Anderson Hills, who sits on the board of Time Warner Inc., is a member of the CFR. Similarly, George J. Mitchell, who sits on the board of Walt Disney Corp., is a CFR member. In actuality, the other three major media conglomerates have members who are linked to the CFR and to other interlocking corporations.

The reason I make a point to establish this information in the minds of the readers of this blog is that the campaign to promote homosexuality as a normal and wholesome lifestyle, while demonizing those who oppose it, has been carried out in the media. The media is carefully controlled, and serves the ends of a insignificant fraction of humanity who hold the reins of power. There has been no real debate in the media about the merits of the homosexual lifestyle. Only one side has been presented in a favorable light, and that is the pro-homosexual view. Although those opposed to homosexuality have represented the traditional, majority view, all arguments in support of their view have been blacklisted.

In the book *The Marketing of Evil: How Radicals, Elitists, and Pseudo-Experts Sell Us Corruption Disguised as Freedom*, David Kupelian shares the following:

[Gay Rights] grew out of the "sexual liberation" movement of the 1960s. To be precise, the June 11, 1969, "Stonewall Riot" - when a group of homosexuals at New York City's Stonewall Inn resisted police commands to disperse - is widely regarded as the birth of the "gay liberation" movement.

This emerging political force made considerable strides during the '70s, most notably in persuading - many say intimidating - the American Psychiatric Association in 1973 into removing homosexuality from its list of mental disorders. But "gay rights" was young,

inexperienced, underfunded, and understaffed as political movements go, and the issue received little support from politicians or the nation in general....

Then came AIDS.

Surely, many activists thought, this would be their movement's death knell. For while they were trying to convince the mainstream that homosexuals represented a normal, healthy, alternative lifestyle, along comes a modern plague - horrible, incurable, fatal, and spread primarily by promiscuous homosexual men.

AIDS - originally named GRID (gay related immunodeficiency disease) until activist homosexuals pressured the medical establishment to switch to the generic acronym AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome) - was the ultimate public relations nightmare. It gave society a brand-new reason to fear and shun homosexuals - namely, concern over becoming infected with a nightmarish new disease.

And AIDS did something else. In order for the medical establishment and news media to communicate to the public how the disease was being transmitted, it became necessary to focus publicly on the one thing homosexuals most wanted to downplay - the sometimes-bizarre sexual acts in which they engage and their often astronomically high number of sexual partners. (A widely cited 1978 study by Alan P. Bell and Martin S. Wineburg reported that 43 percent of homosexuals had more than five hundred sex partners during their lifetime...)

As a public relations matter, AIDS was daunting. This modern plague, if not handled brilliantly in the court of public opinion, could result in homosexuals being widely shunned...

The movement definitely needed help. The defiant, storm-trooper tactics of in-your-face groups like ACT-UP (Aids Coalition to Unleash Power) may or may not have been successful in pressuring the federal government to increase its commitment to combating AIDS. But such tactics definitely were successful in giving activist homosexuals a very bad name.

(The author proceeds to describe the December 10, 1989 incident where a group of homosexual activists stormed into St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City while Cardinal John O'Connor was leading mass. Some demonstrators wearing gold robes in imitation of the Catholic clergy's vestments, held up a large portrait depicting Jesus in a pornographic, frontal nude shot. Demonstrators stood on the pews, tossed condoms into the air, and screamed obscenities at Cardinal O'Connor and the parishioners gathered for mass. One of the activists grabbed a consecrated wafer, viewed as holy to Roman Catholics, and tossed it to the ground.)

Clearly, the young movement was flirting with oblivion if it persisted in such ugly, indefensible tactics. It needed a new, more civilized direction if it ever hoped to convince Americans that homosexuality was a perfectly normal lifestyle...

In February 1988 some 175 leading activists representing homosexual groups from across the nation held a war conference in Warrenton, Virginia, to map out their movement's future.

Shortly, thereafter, activists Marshall Kirk and Hunter Madsen put into book form the comprehensive public relations plan they had been advocating with their gay-rights peers for several years.

Kirk and Madsen were not the kind of drooling activists that would burst into churches and throw condoms in the air. They were smart guys - very smart. Kirk, a Harvard-educated researcher in neuropsychiatry, worked with the "Johns Hopkins Study of Mathematically Precocious Youth" and designed aptitude tests for adults with 200+ IQs. Madsen, with a doctorate in politics from Harvard, was an expert on public persuasion tactics and social marketing. Together they wrote "After the Ball: How America Will Conquer Its Fear and Hatred of Gays in the '90s."

"As cynical as it may seem," they explained at the outset, "AIDS gives us a chance, however brief, to establish ourselves as a victimized minority legitimately deserving of America's special protection and care..."

The bottom line of Kirk and Madsen's master plan? "The campaign we outline in this book, though complex, depends centrally upon a program of unabashed propaganda, firmly grounded in long-established principles of psychology and advertising."

Arguing that, skillfully handled, the AIDS epidemic could conquer American resistance to homosexuality and form the basis of a comprehensive, long-term marketing campaign to sell "gay-rights" to straight America, "After the Ball" became the public relations "Bible" of the movement.

Kirk and Madsen's "war goal," explains marketing expert Paul E. Rondeau of Regent University, was to "force acceptance of homosexual culture into the mainstream, to silence opposition, and ultimately to convert American Society..."

Okay, you might be wondering, even granting the movement's cutting-edge marketing savvy, how do you sell middle America on those five hundred sex partners and weird sexual practices? Answer, according to Kirk and Madsen, you don't. Just don't talk about it. Rather, look and act as normal as possible for the camera.

"When you're very different, and people hate you for it," they explain, "this is what you do: first you get your foot in the door, by being as similar as possible; then, and only then - when your one little difference is finally accepted - can you start dragging in your other peculiarities, one by one. You hammer in the wedge narrow end first. As the saying goes, allow the camel's nose beneath your tent, and his whole body will soon follow."

In other words, sadomasochists, leather fetishists, cross-dressers, transgenders, (pedophiles), and other "peculiar" members of the homosexual community need to keep away from the tent and out of sight while the sales job is under way. Later, once the camel is safely inside, there will be room for all.

Rondeau explains Kirk and Madsen's techniques of "desensitization," "jamming," and "conversion" this way:

Desensitization is described as inundating the public in a "continuous flood of gay-related advertising, presented in the least offensive fashion possible. If straights can't shut off the shower, they may at least eventually get used to being wet." But the activists did not mean advertising in the usual marketing context, but, rather, quite a different approach: "The main thing is to talk about gayness until the issue becomes thoroughly tiresome." They add, "Seek desensitization and nothing more... If you can get [straights] to think [homosexuality] is just another thing - meriting no more than a shrug of the shoulders - then your battle for legal and social rights is virtually won..."

Jamming, explains Rondeau "is psychological terrorism meant to silence expression of or even support for dissenting opinion..."

[P]erhaps the highest-profile example of jamming occurred after the 1998 murder of University of Wyoming freshman Matthew Shepard. Lured from a bar, robbed, and savagely beaten by two men, Shepard died five days later of head injuries. In the frenzied, saturation media coverage that followed, the press and homosexual activists singled out conservative Christians as having created a "climate of anti-gay hate" in which such a brutal act could happen.

NBC's Today show took the lead, focusing on a Christian ad campaign running at the time that offered to help homosexuals change their orientation. Reporter David Gregory narrated: "The ads were controversial for portraying gays and lesbians as sinners who had made poor choices, despite the growing belief that homosexuality may be genetic... Have the ads fostered a climate of anti-gay hate that leads to incidents like the killing of Matthew Shepard? Gay rights activists say the ads convey a message that gay people are defective."

And in a now-infamous interview, Today's Katie Couric asked Wyoming governor Jim Gerringer: "Some gay rights activists have said that some conservative political organizations like the Christian Coalition, the Family Research Council, and Focus on the Family are contributing to this anti-homosexual atmosphere by having an ad campaign saying if you are a homosexual you can change your orientation. That prompts people to say, 'If I meet someone who's homosexual, I'm going to take action to try to convince them or try to harm them.' Do you believe that such groups are contributing to this climate?..."

As if to add even more shame to the whole-hog jamming of Christians after the Shepard murder, in 2004 a comprehensive new investigation by ABC News 20/20 concluded that homosexuality likely wasn't a factor in Shepard's murder, but rather that Shepard had been targeted for his money.

So much for desensitization and jamming. But what about "conversion"? Here Kirk and Madsen announce defiantly:

We mean conversion of the American's emotions, mind, and will, though a planned

psychological attack, in the form of propaganda fed to the nation via the media...

Transforming another person's hatred into love ("warm regard") is the object of classic brainwashing. As Kirk and Madsen explain:

In Conversion, we mimic the natural process of stereotype-learning, with the following effect: we take the bigot's good feelings about all-right guys, and attach them to the label "gay," either weakening or, eventually, replacing his bad feelings toward the label and the prior stereotype...

Whereas in Jamming the target is shown a bigot being rejected by his crowd for his prejudice against gays, in Conversion the target is shown his crowd actually associating with gays in good fellowship. Once again, it's very difficult for the average person, who, by nature and training, almost invariably feels what he sees his fellows feeling, not to respond in this knee-jerk fashion to a sufficiently calculated advertisement...

"It makes no difference that the ads are lies," write Kirk and Madsen, "not to us, because we're using them to ethically good effect, to counter negative stereotypes that are every bit as much lies, and far more wicked ones."

[Source: *The Marketing of Evil*, David Kupelian]

Kupelian goes on to describe the media and press' complicity with the homosexual agenda. In 2000, at a San Francisco meeting of the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association (NLGJA), a gala conference was held. Sponsoring this media convention were: Hearst Newspapers; Knight-Ridder, Inc.; CBS News; Gannett Foundation; CNN; Bloomberg News; NBC News; the Dallas Morning News; Fox News Channel; the Los Angeles Times; the New York Daily News; the San Francisco Chronicle; Time, Inc.; the Wall Street Journal; the Washington Post; and the San Jose Mercury News.

The main topic of discussion at this conference of media professionals was whether the mainstream news have a responsibility, in the pursuit of balance and fair reporting, to include any viewpoints that contradict those of homosexuals. The answer was a resounding "No!" David Kupelian writes:

MSNBC producer David Escobar framed the issue this way, "This whole issue of 'balance' that we as journalists are supposed to achieve... When we cover the black community, I've never seen a newsroom where you're covering one side and then you have to go run out and get the Klan's point of view: 'Well, I've got to go do my Klan interview.' How do you be fair?'

NLGJA member Jeffrey Kofman, at the time a CBS correspondent who later migrated to NBC, restated the question: "The argument [is]: Why do we constantly see in coverage of gay and lesbian, bisexual and transgender issues, the homophobes and fag-haters quoted in the stories when, of course, we don't do that with Jews, blacks, etcetera?"

Paula Madison, vice president of diversity at NBC and news director of WNBC in New York, added: "I agree with him. I don't see why we would seek out... the absurd, inane point of view

just to get another point of view..."

Up on that glitzy convention stage were representatives of top broadcast news networks debating whether or not professional journalists should give voice to the Christian or traditional viewpoint on homosexuality. Or, they suggested, wouldn't it be better just to censor such "hateful" and "bigoted" viewpoints as being the moral equivalent of a "pro-racism" or "pro-bigotry" viewpoint, and thus beyond the margins of civilized debate?

[Source: Ibid]

You may be surprised to learn that even local news broadcasters utilize canned scripts sent to them by their parent organizations. Consider the following videos:

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http://youtu.be/dguiAWrUGMM

It is significant that Conan O'Brien, like John Stewart, is presenting this information in a comedic format. These men, after all, are paid employees of the same networks they are mocking. The plan is to shape people's responses. By making media bias and its centralized control into a joke, people are conditioned to not take these subjects too seriously. Controlling thoughts, and altering the morals of a nation through media propagandizing, are not laughing matters.

As a Christian who is living in a society that is being purposefully, maliciously, and deceitfully corrupted by invisible men who are enemies of Christ, you need to recognize that you, along with the rest of society, are being intentionally manipulated. The story of Matthew Shepard, like that of Trayvon Martin, was an opportunistic exploitation of Americans. The media seized upon Matthew Shepard's death as an opportunity to portray Christian belief as bigoted, hateful, and leading to violence when there was no evidence that homosexuality, much less Biblical views on the subject, had anything to do with the attack on Matthew Shepard.

Every day we are being subjected to news stories that depict the homosexual as a victim to be pitied. They are portrayed as victims of a cruel disease called AIDS, of bullying, or discrimination. The news NEVER portrays homosexuals in an unfavorable light. Have you noted that with all of the news about Roman Catholic priests sexually molesting young boys, it is NEVER mentioned that the priests are engaging in homosexual behavior. You will NOT find the word "gay" mentioned in these news stories. Instead, the priest is always described as a sexual predator, or a child abuser. The media masters do not want Americans to associate homosexuality with the exploitation of children, or abuse of innocent victims.

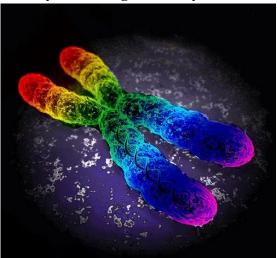
The hidden hand that guides the media has an agenda planned. As Kirk and Madsen stated, it does not matter whether what is reported consists of lies, or is an intentional distortion of actual events. The end justifies the means.

Chapter 7

II Timothy 4:3-4

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires; and will turn away their ears from the truth, and *will turn aside to myths*.

The Myth of Being Born Gay



The Elusive Gay Gene

Science has NOT discovered a "gay gene." Such a gene does NOT exist. How can this be when the media has trumpeted with such authority the claim that people are "born gay"? I refer you back to the previous post in which Kirk and Madsen laid out their plans to normalize homosexuality in the 1990s. Remember, they said that telling lies was quite acceptable for their "moral" and "ethical" goal of eliminating all discrimination toward homosexuals.

Kirk and Madsen's master plan for transforming societal views on homosexuality had barely begun to be implemented when the fruit of their scheme began to manifest. Simon LeVay, a researcher working at the Salk Institute for Biological Studies in San Diego reported that he had found subtle differences in the post-mortem brains of heterosexual and homosexual males. LeVay focused on the region of the hypothalamus which some believe regulates sexual behavior. LeVay reported that a certain area of the hypothalamus was smaller in the deceased homosexual men's brains than in heterosexual males. He claimed that the diminished size of this region was also found in females, suggesting a cause for the males' homosexuality.

LeVay was far from an impartial researcher. He was a practicing homosexual whose male partner of 21 years had recently died of AIDS. LeVay viewed his role as an advocate to shape the views of society, including making alterations to religious views and government legislation. He is quoted as saying, "It's important to educate society. I think this issue does affect religious and legal attitudes."

LeVay's findings were inconclusive. The majority of the homosexual men whose brains LeVay studied had died of AIDS. There was no evidence given to determine whether the disease itself had affected these men's brains. It has also been demonstrated that people's brains change due to their behavior. An area of the brain may appear different in one individual at the end of their life because they engaged in a particular behavior, not because the brain was that way when they were born. Despite the glaring deficiencies of LeVay's report, and his obvious lack of impartiality, his work was lauded widely by those who were seeking support for their claim that homosexual behavior is not a moral choice, that people are born gay.

The media began to latch hold of this study and spread the news that a search was on for a genetic link to homosexuality. *Newsweek* ran a cover story on the search for a gay gene in 1992. It was not long before more claims of a genetic link were forthcoming.



The esteemed journal *Science*, in July of 1993, published a study by Dean Hamer that suggested that there might be a gay gene. Dean Hamer, working with a team of researchers at the National Cancer Institute, chose 40 pairs of homosexual brothers for his study. He claimed that 33 pairs of the men shared five markers on the long arm of the X chromosome. Hamer reported that his findings indicated "a statistical confidence level of more than 99 percent that at least one subtype of male sexual orientation is genetically influenced." Hamer qualified his statements by using words such as "suggest" and "seem to indicate." He further admitted that there are hundreds of genes in this area, and that most of them had not been clearly identified.

It should be noted that Hamer did not claim to have found a gay gene. He merely suggested that sexual orientation was encoded in a person's chromosomes. Yet, even this claim could not be proven by Hamer and his research crew. His conclusions were reaching, and demonstrated a desire to read into his studies a predetermined result. Once again, the media suspended all skepticism, embracing the news of Dean Hamer's work wholeheartedly, for its conclusions, no matter how dubious, were what they needed to promote the idea that men and women are born gay. With the reports of LeVay and Hamer, the media now had two "scientific" witnesses to stoke the engine of their campaign for the advancement of homosexuality.

After the Hamer article was published in 1993, the media exploded with reports on a genetic cause for homosexuality. Kim Painter, in *USA Today*, was the first newspaper reporter to distribute this information. Painter wrote, "A predisposition for homosexuality appears to be written into the very genes of some men... The possibility of obtaining our findings by chance is extremely unlikely" - below 1%, says lead author Dean Hamer." The USA Today article never

mentioned any of the unanswered questions, doubts, or problems related to Hamer's report. This was to become a pattern of future articles that appeared in newspapers, magazines, and in television news broadcasts.

As the reports of LeVay and Hamer spread, and they were called upon for interviews, they became more confident in their statements. Hamer stated in a *Time* magazine article, "*This is by far the strongest evidence to date that there is a genetic component to sexual orientation. We've identified a portion of the genome associated with it.*" In time, however, the wheels began to fall off of the studies performed by LeVay and Hamer.

In 1995, two years after Dean Hamer's report was published in the journal *Science*, the magazine *Scientific American* printed an article expressing doubts in the scientific community about the genetic evidence presented thus far in support of the view that homosexuality is an inherited behavior. The article reported that no other researchers had been able to replicate LeVay's findings. The article also revealed that Dean Hamer had "been charged with research improprieties and is now under investigation by the Federal Office of Research Integrity." It was discovered that Hamer had excluded "pairs of brothers whose genetic makeup contradicted his findings." In other words, Hamer had cherry-picked his study group in order to obtain results that fit his hypothesis. This was a blatant form of deception and scientific fraud.

In 1999, six years after the journal *Science* had published Hamer's initial report suggesting that a genetic link to sexual orientation had been found on the Xq28 markers of the male chromosomes, the same journal published a report refuting that earlier study. Researchers George Ebers and George Rice stated that their studies "do not support an X-linked gene underlying male homosexuality." They went on to say that the homosexual pairs of brothers studied by Hamer's group were no more likely to share characteristics in the Xq28 markers than a normal population of men. They concluded that there was in fact no scientific underpinning behind Hamer's much ballyhooed claims.

Despite the refutation of LaVey's and Hamer's research, the damage had been done. The interval between the time the reports suggesting a genetic link to homosexuality were published, and the time they were refuted, was a period of years. During these years there was an explosion of media coverage on this subject. LaVey's and Hamer's research and claims had been widely trumpeted, convincing many that science had indeed proven a genetic source for homosexual behavior. These reports were not only ubiquitous, but they received front page coverage in a wide variety of popular venues. When the news came out debunking these earlier reports, they received little press, nor did the news receive front page exposure. This is how the adversaries of truth operate. They boldly proclaim lies, but they will only whisper the truth when it must be told.

Interestingly, in the same 1993 edition of *Science* in which Hamer's report was published, there was a precursory article written by Robert Pool. Pool reported on the bleak history of attempts to establish a link between genetics and human behavior. He stated, "*The field of behavioral genetics is littered with apparent discoveries that were later called into question or retracted.*" Perhaps there was already some suspicion among the journal's editors that there were problems with the "discovery" Dean Hamer was reporting in their pages. Pool's article could later serve as

a disclaimer should the periodical be criticized.

Despite the fraud of Hamer's report asserting evidence of a genetic link to homosexuality, the lie had been spoken. The gen-e would not be put back in the bottle. The media had dutifully followed the master plan set forth by Kirk and Madsen, and had saturated society with false claims that would effectually change the position of many. To demonstrate the efficacy of their schemes, *Seventeen* magazine conducted a poll in 1991 asking their readers if they believed homosexual behavior was appropriate. Only 17 percent of their readers responded affirmatively. In 1999 the magazine conducted the same poll and found that 54 percent of their readers now responded affirmatively. Society was being converted through an outpouring of lies and deception.

David Kupelian states the following in his book *The Marketing of Evil*.

The end game is not only to bring about the complete acceptance of homosexuality, including same-sex marriage, but also to prohibit and even criminalize public criticism of homosexuality. In other words, total jamming of criticism with the force of law. This is already the case in Canada and parts of Scandinavia.

Despite the fact that LeVay's and Hamer's claims have been debunked, and to date there has been no scientific evidence substantiating a genetic cause of homosexuality, the media has continued to tout the claim of being born gay as if it were a well established scientific fact. This false claim has moved from the scientific magazines and news journals to the realm of popular entertainment. In 2011 Lady Gaga released an album titled *Born This Way*.





Born This Way

This album debuted at the number one spot on the charts, selling more than a million copies in its first week in America. Worldwide, the album sold 2.5 million copies in its first week alone. Satan has an agenda, and he has many servants who are working as his disciples to bring it to pass. Lady Gaga is renowned for her transgender appearance. Many have described her as androgynous. This sexually confused image is one which the music company that has signed her is promoting. Lady Gaga (born Stefani Joanne Angelina Germanotta), has at times appeared as a male in the alter ego that she calls Jo Calderone.



Jo Calderone

The effect that this continual flood of lies is having is immense. An entire generation of young people are being led into sexual confusion. They are embracing the myth that people are born homosexual and that nothing can be done to change their sexual orientation.

One of the things that prompted me to begin writing this series was a video sent to me by a brother in Christ. I found the video disturbing, not only because it was a work of deceit that was propounding a lie, but because of the great evil that is communicated. I am particularly grieved when people include the innocent, youngest members of society, in their deceit. The corruption of the young is a appalling tragedy. The following brief video places the name "lesbian" upon a baby in the womb, and I am greatly saddened by it.

http://youtu.be/5VTIt9GamyM

It is not only adults that are subjected to the barrage of deceit that is advancing the homosexual agenda. Children are a particular focus of Satan's attack. I am reminded of the following words of Christ.

Matthew 18:2-6

And He called a child to Himself and set him before them, and said, "Truly I say to you, unless you are converted and become like children, you shall not enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever... causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to stumble, it is better for him that a heavy millstone be hung around his neck, and that he be drowned in the depth of the sea."

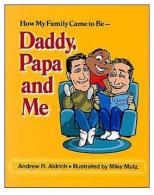
If you are reading this post, you are likely an adult. You are able to reason, and to search out truth. You have the opportunity to study the Scriptures and to test all things, refuting the lies all around you. Children, however, are innocent and vulnerable. They are easily persuaded by adults that occupy positions of authority in their lives. Whether the adults be their parents, their school teachers, Sunday School instructors, or others with whom they interact, children are susceptible to believing what they are told by an adult. They are trusting.

How many children believe in Santa Claus because their parents tell them he is real? Will not these same ones be as prey to men and women who seek to persuade them that homosexuality is moral, normal, and even to be celebrated? This is reason enough to turn off the television in your

homes. The media is a tool in the hand of the adversary. It is being wielded to indoctrinate you and your children. The message that "gay is okay" is being broadcast on the Disney Channel, on Nickelodeon, during Saturday morning cartoons, and in the programs children watch after school.

If you are sending your children to public schools, I fear for them. Assigning the word "public" to the nation's school systems was itself an act of deception. They are actually "government schools," and the United States government is radically pro-homosexual. It is exerting all possible energy and resources to corrupt the children of America with a homosexual agenda.

The government is introducing homosexuality to the very youngest of America's school children. In pre-school, kindergarten, and first grade, America's children are being exposed to literature and media that informs them that homosexuality is normal.



Liberal states such as California and Massachusetts are leading in the campaign to provide "diversity" training to children as young as pre-schoolers. They recognize that young children are especially impressionable, and it is much easier to shape the views of people when they are young. World Net Daily recently reported on a father who was arrested when he demanded that the public school system inform him when they intend to teach pro-homosexual lessons, and that they give him the option of withdrawing his son from school. David Parker, the father, was upset when his 5 year old son brought home a book from school titled *Who's in a Family?* The book depicted two households led by homosexual parents.



The text on this page reads:

"Laura and Kyle live with their two moms, Joyce and Emily, and a poodle named Daisy. It takes all four of them to give Daisy her bath."



The text on this page reads:

"Robin's family is made up of her dad, Clifford, her dad's partner, Henry, and Robin's cat, Sassy. Clifford and Henry take turns making dinner for their family."

The school system refused to notify Mr. Parker of their intent to teach pro-homosexual lessons to his son. When he refused to leave the meeting without a guarantee, he was arrested and spent the night in jail. Superintendent of schools, Paul Ash, stated that the school district has no obligation to provide parental notification of such lessons because they are not about "human sexuality," but rather about "tolerance and respect." Yet, these lessons are clearly promoting the view that same sex unions are normal and wholesome.

This week, Jerry Brown, the governor of the State of California, approved legislation that would subject the children of the state's public schools to gross sexual immorality. Assembly Bill 1266 was approved by the state's governor, and signed into law on August 12th, 2013. Among its provisions is the following statement.

A pupil shall be permitted to participate in sex-segregated school programs and activities, including athletic teams and competitions, and use facilities consistent with his or her gender identity, irrespective of the gender listed on the pupil's records.

This means that if a girl says she is a boy, she can participate in boy's sports, or gym activities, and use the same dressing rooms and bathrooms as the boys. The same is true if a boy says he is a girl. It does not matter what gender he actually is, or that his school records identify him as a boy. He is permitted to participate in girl's activities and use their dressing rooms and bathrooms. California has truly become as Sodom and Gomorrah. The rest of the nation will soon follow suit as it always does. You can read the full text of this bill at the following website:

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201320140AB1266

This deviant legislation follows a previous bill signed by the governor of California that declares

it illegal for any "physicians and surgeons, psychologists, marriage and family therapists, educational psychologists, clinical social workers, and licensed professional clinical counselors," to engage in "sexual orientation change efforts" with a person under 18 years of age. This means, even if a child comes to the counselor expressing distress relating to their same-sex desires, or sexual identity, and they request counseling to change to a normal sexual orientation, the counselor is legally barred from providing such services. This bill would make it illegal in the state of California to seek to change any person's sexual orientation back to heterosexual if they identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender. Following is an excerpt from the legislation.

This bill would prohibit a mental health provider, as defined, from engaging in sexual orientation change efforts, as defined, with a patient under 18 years of age. The bill would provide that any sexual orientation change efforts attempted on a patient under 18 years of age by a mental health provider shall be considered unprofessional conduct and shall subject the provider to discipline by the provider's licensing entity...

Being lesbian, gay, or bisexual is not a disease, disorder, illness, deficiency, or shortcoming. The major professional associations of mental health practitioners and researchers in the United States have recognized this fact for nearly 40 years.

(b) The American Psychological Association convened a Task Force on Appropriate Therapeutic Responses to Sexual Orientation. The task force conducted a systematic review of peer-reviewed journal literature on sexual orientation change efforts, and issued a report in 2009. The task force concluded that sexual orientation change efforts can pose critical health risks to lesbian, gay, and bisexual people, including confusion, depression, guilt, helplessness, hopelessness, shame, social withdrawal, suicidality, substance abuse, stress, disappointment, self-blame, decreased self-esteem and authenticity to others, increased self-hatred, hostility and blame toward parents, feelings of anger and betrayal, loss of friends and potential romantic partners, problems in sexual and emotional intimacy, sexual dysfunction, high-risk sexual behaviors, a feeling of being dehumanized and untrue to self, a loss of faith, and a sense of having wasted time and resources...

Therefore, the American Psychiatric Association opposes any psychiatric treatment such as reparative or conversion therapy which is based upon the assumption that homosexuality per se is a mental disorder or based upon the a priori assumption that a patient should change his/her sexual homosexual orientation.

You can read the entire bill here:

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill id=201120120SB1172

The authority upon which such immoral and far reaching legislation is based, is the American Psychiatric Association's *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders*, which we have seen was altered in 1973 by homosexual members of the APA to serve their own degenerate ends. Forty years later we are seeing the mature fruit of this evil action as America's children are

being indoctrinated to accept as normal and wholesome, sexual behavior that Yahweh describes as sin and an abomination.

America's promotion of homosexuality is a policy founded upon lies and deception. This should surprise no Christian, for Satan is the architect of it and he is "the great deceiver who deceives the whole world." The Christian, however, should not be deceived. The Bible states:

Romans 12:2

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

Who are you listening to? Are you forming your views on morality based upon the propaganda of this fallen world system, or is your authority the word of God? The Bible reveals that God has created humanity as male and female. These are the only unique, sexually distinct, types of people Yahweh has made.

Genesis 1:27

And God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; *male and female He created them*.

Yahweh has NOT created humanity as male, female, lesbian, gay, and bisexual. Will you push back against the flood of lies? Will you take a stand on truth when all the world is embracing myths and fables? Soon it will be declared to be a hate crime in all nations to speak a word in agreement with the testimony of Yahweh. Let us speak the truth in love while there is opportunity. The night is coming when no man can work.

Chapter 8



Colossians 2:8

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to Christ.

One of the errors I perceive in many Christians' approach to the subject of homosexuality is that they are viewing the issue through a humanistic lens. Many counselors and ministries offering homosexual conversion therapy are employing methods developed by the American Psychiatric Association. They have embraced the teachings of godless men and women, and are attempting to bring deliverance to people gripped by the bondage of sin by treating homosexuality as a sickness. The very word "therapy" used by many Christian counselors to describe their work with homosexuals reveals that they have wrongly identified the root issue. The problem is sin, not mental illness.

Alan Chambers, the founder and former president of Exodus International, one of the largest and oldest Christian ministries to work with homosexuals, had adopted the methods and principles of psychiatry in dealing with his clients. He had embraced the teachings of the APA prior to 1973 (the year the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* was altered to no longer define homosexuality as a mental illness). Up until that time, psychiatry had proposed numerous theories to answer the question of what caused people to deviate from a normal heterosexual orientation to same-sex attraction. The prevailing theory was that homosexuality was caused by "close-binding" mothers, which are over-protective women who made their children weak and feminine, and "detached, rejecting fathers."

Much therapy today consists of seeking to identify past experiences, or influences that have led a person to adopt thoughts or behaviors that are undesirable. Therapists have employed hypnotism, role playing, and an array of other practices, in an attempt to identify experiences from a patient's past that have led to their current condition. One effect of this approach is that the patient is viewed as a victim of past experiences, of the actions of others, or of their environment. This

portrayal of perpetrators of socio-pathic, or immoral behavior as victims inevitably made its way over into the judicial system. It is common for a defense lawyer to call forth some "expert" witness who will testify that a person committed a crime because they were abused as a child, were raised in poverty, were subjected to gang influences, or deprived of acceptable educational experiences and opportunities to succeed in society. The reason that lawyers portray the clients they are defending as victims of their past experiences is to lessen their culpability in the eyes of a judge or jury. The blame is shifted away from the criminal onto someone else, such as an abusive parent, or upon society itself. In essence, the perpetrator is re-cast as a victim who deserves sympathy rather than punishment.

Modern psychiatry, whether intentionally or not, accomplishes this absolution of guilt when it treats sinful men and women as if their problems are the result of their past experiences. Psychiatric counseling dulls the voice of conscience within the individual, effectively removing the chief restraint upon mankind against sinful, selfish, and immoral behavior.

This portrayal of people who commit crimes against humanity, or sins against God, as victims of their past experiences, is contrary to the manner in which Yahweh relates to man. The Bible does not present man as a victim to be pitied, but rather as a transgressor who needs to accept responsibility for his actions. The church, embracing the erroneous philosophy of the world, has begun to treat sinners as victims of their environment and past experiences. This misguided sympathy becomes a stumbling block. Even as the lawyer seeks to diminish the perception of his client as evil by painting him as a victim of his past experiences, the church is diminishing people's recognition of the fact that they are sinners as they adopt the practices of modern counseling and psychiatry.

How will people repent of their sins if the church treats them as victims instead of sinners? At the same time the Spirit of Christ is "convicting the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment," the church is mollifying sinners by refusing to call sin what it really is. People of God, do not be deceived. The homosexual needs to understand that they are responsible for their choices and actions before the eyes of God. Do not be swayed by the propaganda of the medical profession, the government, and the media. Yahweh gave mankind His holy Law that they might recognize themselves as sinners.

Romans 7:12-13

Therefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy and just and good. Has then what is good become death to me? Certainly not! But sin, that it might appear sin, was producing death in me through what is good, so that sin through the commandment might become exceedingly sinful.

I Timothy 1:8-10

But we know that the Law is good, if one uses it lawfully, realizing the fact that law is not made for a righteous man, but for those who are lawless and rebellious, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who kill their fathers or mothers, for murderers and *immoral men and homosexuals* and kidnappers and liars and perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound teaching...

The entire world is set upon making the homosexual feel comfortable about his/her behavior. The influence of society is exerting tremendous force to assure homosexuals that they need not experience any shame or guilt at their behavior. Instead, they are told to celebrate their immoral choices and lifestyle. This is what the gay pride parades are about. These debauched spectacles are an opportunity for men and women who are practicing deviant sexual behavior to affirm to themselves and others that they are rejecting guilt and shame and replacing it with pride.

The church must hold forth the truth. They must tell those who practice sin that they are sinners. Those who are light must expose the darkness. Sin must be made to appear exceedingly sinful that men and women might repent. The attitude manifested by the modern "seeker sensitive" church is to offend no one. Rather than being a channel of the Holy Spirit to convict the world of sin, the church has adopted the pattern of modern psychiatry by urging its members to avoid moralizing, and to affirm all people no matter how sick, or depraved their behavior and thoughts might be.



On the day of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit was given to the church, Peter spoke to those gathered in Jerusalem for the feast. With the power of the Spirit guiding him, Peter confronted the crowds with their sins. He told them that Yahweh had sent His Son, the promised Messiah, and that the Jews had crucified Him. The blood of the Son of God was upon their hands. When Peter spoke, we are told that those listening were "pierced to the heart." They fell under conviction and cried out, "What must we do?"

This should be the response of sinners in the world when they meet the presence of the Holy Spirit inside of the child of God. They should be stricken with conviction in order that we might point them to Jesus Christ/Yahshua the Messiah, who is the Savior of all mankind. The Son of God is the Savior of the homosexual, even as He is the Savior of the adulterer, the liar, or the thief. It serves no beneficial purpose to tell the homosexual that he/she is the way they are because their parents failed them, or some past experience traumatized them, predisposing them to embrace a sinful lifestyle. Sinners need to feel the weight of the responsibility for their choices and actions that they might cry out to God in repentance and be healed.

When Alan Chambers announced that he was ending his work among homosexuals, he apologized for laying the blame for homosexuality on parents. In blaming parents, he had been following the guidelines of the APA prior to 1973. It is little wonder that he met with so little success in the years he counseled homosexual men and women, for he was employing humanistic

philosophies to treat as an illness that which Yahweh has declared to be sin. In a misguided attempt to make the homosexual feel welcomed and accepted, he was diminishing their perception of themselves as guilty sinners standing before a holy God. The responsibility for their choices and actions were shifted to their parents, or to others. Diminishing a person's sense of guilt and shame is counter-productive to getting them to change their behavior.



Jennifer Keeton

Recently, here in my home state of Georgia, there was a story in the news about a graduate student at Augusta State University who was enrolled in a counseling program. Jennifer Keeton was a Christian young woman seeking to be trained to work as a licensed counselor. Inevitably, the issue of sexual orientation and gender identity came up in her course work. This young woman held strong Christian convictions on the subject. She stated openly to her instructors that she would inform her clients that homosexuality is morally wrong. She would offer conversion therapy to individuals who desired to overcome their same-sex attraction.

Augusta State University trains many of their students to serve in the public school systems as counselors. In this role it must train its counselors to provide government approved counseling that is consistent with the policies and practices of the American Counseling Association. This professional certifying body, following in the footsteps of the APA, has embraced a prohomosexual agenda that encourages counselors to affirm homosexuals as normal and wholesome. The university objected to Ms. Keeton's Christian moral views, insisting that she attend several diversity workshops, gain a greater exposure to homosexuals, including a suggestion that she attend a gay pride parade. Failing to do these things, and continuing to refuse to affirm homosexual behavior as normal, she was threatened with expulsion from the program.

Such experiences are becoming commonplace for Christian students enrolled in counseling programs. The Alliance Defense Fund, a legal organization whose goal is to guard against

discrimination of Christians and their Biblical views, has faced a couple of challenges on this issue recently, losing them both. The courts have ruled in favor of the universities and colleges that have required students enrolled in their programs to affirm homosexual behavior as part of their course curriculum.

Rather than seeing such rulings as a defeat for Christianity, I view them as one way in which Yahweh is calling His sons and daughters to come out of Babylon. Why would Christians seek to be trained by the godless professors of secular colleges and universities to provide counseling? From a spiritual perspective, doing so is folly. What fellowship has light with darkness? What does a temple of God have in common with the temple of demons?

I understand the motive for attending these secular schools. It is a practical one. If a person wants to get a certain job, such as a school counselor, they need training and certification. They can only obtain these things at approved schools. As a line is being drawn, and Christians are being required to affirm homosexual behavior to participate in training programs, or to hold certain jobs, they will find that they must choose between a job, a good salary, and the opportunities that go with it, or to walk faithfully with God. I am glad that Jennifer Keeton chose to remain faithful to her convictions.

II Timothy 3:12

And indeed, all who desire to live godly in Christ Yahshua will be persecuted.

This separation of light and darkness is a positive occurrence. For too long Christians have been compromising with the world. They have been cooperating with the godless, and even with the anti-Christ members of society. The ways of man are antagonistic to the ways of God. Yahweh's thoughts are not man's thoughts. Christians need to return to dealing with homosexuality as sin, which is how Yahweh defines it, rather than as a mental illness, or as a behavior problem that calls for therapy.



One comment I have repeatedly come across as I have reviewed books, online articles, and have received correspondence from various individuals, is that homosexuality is a complicated issue. It is often brought up that there are a whole range of issues that contribute to a person embracing homosexual behavior and identity. As we have seen, the APA attributed some homosexual

behavior to the influence of one's parents. Some Christians attribute homosexual desires to demonic spirits. Other counselors point to experiences of sexual abuse an individual experienced as a child. Some make mention of other childhood traumas, such as violence, or bullying, that have influenced a person to gravitate toward same sex attraction. In the past two decades the prevalence of deceptive propaganda from the government, and in the media, has also influenced many to begin to view homosexuality as normal, desirable, and even something to be celebrated.

The truth is, the experiences and influences that turn individuals toward homosexual identification and behavior are numerous and varied. Yet, it is a deception of the enemy that leads many to conclude that homosexual behavior, and consequently deliverance from the same, is a complex, and exceedingly difficult matter to understand. Any type of sinful behavior could be complicated by similar arguments.

Take for example the behavior of stealing. One of the ten commandments is "Thou Shalt Not Steal." If you had a child who was manifesting this behavior, stealing money from a parent's wallet or purse, or shoplifting items from a store, you could spend lots of time trying to identify what experiences or influences in his/her life contributed to this behavior. Perhaps the child was raised in poverty, and did not have the financial resources to purchase the nice clothes that his peers wore to school. Maybe they were influenced by a constant barrage of advertising that suggested that one needs to dress a certain way, or own specific items, to be fulfilled in life. Maybe they were influenced by an older youth to shoplift, or they fell into a group of youth who glamorized the act of stealing. Maybe stealing was presented as an "us" against "them" sort of experience, and the behavior was bolstered by the thought that society was intrinsically unfair and that the downtrodden members of society have a right to take what others will not give them.

Then there is the media. Television and the movies have saturated the culture with images that glorify stealing. From *Robin Hood* to *Ocean's Eleven* (Twelve, Thirteen, etc..), stealing is glamorized and the intelligent and successful thief is portrayed as heroic.



Video games such as *Grand Theft Auto* glorify what Yahweh describes as sinful behavior. It is not surprising that America's jails and prisons are filled with tens of thousands of individuals

who have violated Yahweh's commandment "Thou Shalt Not Steal." Many of those who engage in theft come from broken homes. There is no father present in many instances. Gang influences are often a factor. The experiences and influences that contribute to a person engaging in the criminal, sinful behavior of stealing, embezzlement, or robbery are varied and complex. Yet the behavior itself is not difficult to understand, nor are Yahweh's instructions to mankind relating to this subject difficult to describe.

We do a disservice to people struggling with homosexual desires when we portray their struggles as exceptional. They are no more exceptional than the person struggling with an attraction to pornography, or inordinate heterosexual desires such as fornication or adultery. The solution is no different than for the person who is a compulsive liar, thief, or those who struggle with anger and violence. A person can be delivered from homosexual behavior as surely as they can be set free of any other activity that Yahweh describes as sinful.

Following are a couple of foundational principles that are true of the sin of homosexuality, as well as every other sin:

• Homosexual behavior must be confessed as sin.

This is the starting point for dealing with any sinful behavior. We must agree with Yahweh that sin is sin. This is not a point to be glossed over, for not only is society denying homosexuality to be a sin, but the church has begun to do so as well.



There can be no turning away from sin as long as a person denies that their behavior is sinful. Nor can there be deliverance and restoration to God until a person quits making excuses for their sins. This was a failing of King Saul. When he was confronted by the prophet Samuel with his disobedience to the commandment of Yahweh, Saul first denied, then made excuses. In the Old Testament we read of a time when Yahweh determined to execute judgment upon the people of Amalek. He sent Samuel the prophet with words of instruction to King Saul.

I Samuel 15:1-3

Listen to the words of Yahweh. Thus says Yahweh of hosts, "I will punish Amalek for what he did to Israel, how he set himself against him on the way while he was coming up from Egypt. Now go and strike Amalek and utterly destroy all that he has, and do not spare him; but put to death both man and woman, child and infant, ox and sheep, camel and donkey."

King Saul attacked the people of Amalek, and Yahweh delivered all the people and their

possessions into the hands of the people of Israel. Yet, Saul did not carry out the instructions of God. He kept the king of Amalek alive, as well as the best animals of the flocks and herds.

I Samuel 15:9

But Saul and the people spared Agag and the best of the sheep, the oxen, the fatlings, the lambs, and all that was good, and were not willing to destroy them utterly; but everything despised and worthless, that they utterly destroyed.

When Samuel confronted Saul, asking him why he did not carry out Yahweh's commandments, Saul prevaricated.

I Samuel 15:13-15

And Samuel came to Saul, and Saul said to him, "Blessed are you of Yahweh! I have carried out the command of Yahweh." But Samuel said, "What then is this bleating of the sheep in my ears, and the lowing of the oxen which I hear?" And Saul said, "They have brought them from the Amalekites, for the people spared the best of the sheep and oxen, to sacrifice to Yahweh your God; but the rest we have utterly destroyed."

Note that in none of his words did King Saul acknowledge that HE had transgressed. He first claimed to have done God's will. When called on the point, Saul shifts blame to the people, while also offering a rationale to explain their behavior with the intent of making it appear acceptable. Samuel then pressed the issue further, and once again Saul dissembled.

I Samuel 15:18-21

"Yahweh sent you on a mission, and said, 'Go and utterly destroy the sinners, the Amalekites, and fight against them until they are exterminated.' Why then did you not obey the voice of Yahweh, but rushed upon the spoil and did what was evil in the sight of Yahweh?" Then Saul said to Samuel, "I did obey the voice of Yahweh, and went on the mission on which Yahweh sent me, and have brought back Agag the king of Amalek, and have utterly destroyed the Amalekites. But the people took some of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the choicest of the things devoted to destruction, to sacrifice to Yahweh your God at Gilgal."

People of God, here is a hopeless case. Yahweh can do nothing with a man or woman who will not agree with Him about what constitutes obedience and disobedience. Similarly, there can be no healing, no restoration of the man or woman who is engaging in homosexual behavior unless they agree with God that their behavior is sin. It matters not if all the people of the nation urge them to sin. It does not matter if "experts" and "professionals" assure them that they were born homosexuals, while telling them that it is normal, wholesome behavior. Let God be true and all men be liars. Forgiveness and restoration can only occur when men agree with their Creator about the identity of sin.

Here then is a starting point. You must share with those who are engaged in homosexual behavior that Yahweh has declared it to be sin. Familiarize yourself with Yahweh's testimony on this matter.

Leviticus 18:22

You shall not lie with a male as one lies with a female; it is an abomination.

Leviticus 20:13

If there is a man who lies with a male as those who lie with a woman, both of them have committed a detestable act...

Romans 1:26-27

For this reason God gave them over to degrading passions; for their women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural, and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error.

I Corinthians 6:9-10

Or do you not know that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, *nor effeminate, nor homosexuals*, nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

Jude 7

Just as Sodom and Gomorrah and the cities around them, since they in the same way as these indulged in gross immorality and went after strange flesh, are exhibited as an example, in undergoing the punishment of age-during fire.

There are other Scriptures that reveal Yahweh's condemnation of homosexuality, and the punishment that He has, and will again mete out to those who participate in such deeds. These, however, are some of the more brief and direct passages. If a man or woman will not agree with God that this behavior is abnormal, aberrant, and sinful, they can neither receive forgiveness nor be restored to the Father. Yahweh rejected Saul because he refused to agree with Him regarding the definition of sin.

I Samuel 15:23

For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of the Lord, He also has rejected you...

It is a serious matter to reject the word of the Lord. His word includes His declaration of righteous and unrighteous behavior. The apostle John described two different conditions of mankind. One is the person who agrees with God and confesses his/her sin. This person is able to receive forgiveness and be cleansed of all unrighteousness. The other is the person who denies that they have sinned when Yahweh says they have committed sin. These ones profess God to be a liar, and the truth is not in them.

I John 1:9-10

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.

This then, must be the point at which restoration to God begins. The individual must agree with

Yahweh's declaration of righteous and unrighteous behavior. They must profess that homosexual intercourse is unnatural, immoral, and sinful behavior.

• The lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender individual must then turn away from their sinful behavior.

II Chronicles 7:14

If my people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray, and seek My face and *turn from their wicked ways*, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin...

Isaiah 1:16-20

"Wash yourselves, make yourselves clean; Remove the evil of your deeds from My sight. Cease to do evil, learn to do good... Come now, and let us reason together," says Yahweh, "Though your sins are as scarlet, they will be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, they will be like wool. If you consent and obey, you will eat the best of the land; But if you refuse and rebel, you will be devoured by the sword." Truly, the mouth of Yahweh has spoken.

Isaiah 55:7

Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; And let him return to Yahweh, and He will have compassion on him; And to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

Ezekiel 18:21-23

"But if the wicked man turns from all his sins which he has committed and observes all My statutes and practices justice and righteousness, he shall surely live; he shall not die. All his transgressions which he has committed will not be remembered against him; because of his righteousness which he has practiced, he will live. Do I have any pleasure in the death of the wicked," declares Yahweh God, "rather than that he should turn from his ways and live?"

People of God, it is not necessary to identify all the influences and experiences that led a person to embrace a false gender identity, or to engage in homosexual behavior. The influences in a person's life are varied, and many, and it is unlikely that they could all be properly identified. Do not be deterred by this fact. What is important is that the individual agree with Yahweh that their behavior is sinful, that they confess it, and turn away from it. Yahweh will accept those who confess and repent (turn away from their sin).



I am sure that to some, these words appear naive, and too simplistic. Yet, Yahshua said that all would have to come to Him as a little child.

Matthew 18:2-4

Jesus called a little child to him and put the child among them. Then he said, "I tell you the truth, unless you turn from your sins and become like little children, you will never get into the Kingdom of Heaven. So anyone who becomes as humble as this little child is the greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven."

[New Living Translation]

Walking in continuous victory over sinful desires is a process, and there is more to be shared on this matter. Yet, we need not over-complicate the subject of homosexual desires, and deliverance from them, by imitating the pattern of the godless. Psychiatry claims to be based upon scientific principles. Like other sciences, it is focused upon classifying, measuring, and developing hypothesis and theories. Yet psychiatry is highly subjective, and like the DSM that is used as a reference for practitioners, it is subject to great fluctuations, and reversals, of thought and opinion. Psychiatry is a pseudo-science that oftentimes is more driven by political correctness than scientific principle.

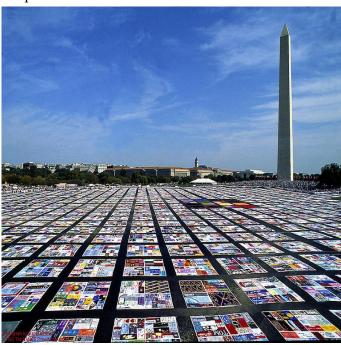
Many Christians seek legitimacy for their counseling by imitating the practices, and embracing the teachings, of psychiatry. The world is in awe of men and women who have credentials after their name. Being a graduate of an accredited school, and being a licensed practitioner bearing the imprimatur of the American Psychiatric Association, or the American Counseling Association, lends an air of respectability to many who covet the approval of men. Yet, those who seek after such accreditation are blind followers of the blind.

Is it not evident that a group that forbids its members to offer sexual orientation change efforts as a service, but that requires all members to affirm the normality of homosexual behavior, does not have anything to offer the Christian counselor? Why should those who are members of God's kingdom seek after the ways of the kingdom of darkness? The most common modality resorted to among the APA is to prescribe powerful, mind altering drugs to an individual that at best will mask the symptoms of their problems, and dull their conscience, while failing to address the root cause.

Christ, on the other hand, goes to the root of man's problem. Man is sinful. The heart of man is always going astray. Sinful man is bereft of the life of God in his being and needs to become a partaker of the divine nature. Christ made a way for this to occur. Yahshua took the sins of all mankind upon His body on the cross, paying the penalty for sin. Christ then sent forth His Spirit that men who were spiritually dead might be made alive.

The process of deliverance and transformation is the same for every person. It is no different for the homosexual. Christ came to set the captives free. Those whom the Son sets free are free indeed.

Chapter 9



Aids Quilt - Each Panel Represents a Person Who Died of AIDS Related Illness (Click on any image to view larger.)

I want to turn in this study now to an examination of the reasons WHY homosexual behavior is contrary to the very essence of Yahweh's nature and the principles of His kingdom. Many Christians in addressing the topic of homosexuality have cited the various Scripture passages that reveal the mind of God relating to this behavior. Yet, very few have gone beyond this to explain why Yahweh has declared homosexuality to be "unnatural" (Romans chapter 1) and "an abomination" (Leviticus 18:22).

Although I do not believe it is absolutely *necessary* to understand the reason(s) that Yahweh declares some thoughts and behaviors to be righteous and others to be unrighteous, I do believe it is *beneficial* to seek after wisdom and to apprehend the mind of the Father. I have oftentimes meditated upon some specific behavior that Yahweh has declared to be sin with the goal of understanding why Yahweh has forbidden it. For example, why does Yahweh condemn fornication, the sexual relations of a man and a woman outside of marriage? Was this merely a capricious judgment of God to test man's obedience? Is there any harm in such behavior? Does Yahweh simply want to deprive men and women of pleasure, for sexual relations are very pleasurable? (This subject is addressed in the book *The Marriage Covenant*.)

I do not have to know the answers to these questions to agree that Yahweh is just and right in declaring fornication to be sin. I acknowledge that He is the Creator, and I am His creation. Will the thing molded say to the molder "Why did you make me like this?" (Romans 9:20) Will the created being annul the judgment of his Creator?

Will you really annul My judgment? Will you condemn Me that you may be justified?

There is no disrespect, however, in asking Yahweh to reveal to us the reasoning behind His judgments. I have frequently asked God to reveal to me His mind regarding certain behaviors that I might be a partaker of His thoughts. I want to detest what He detests, and to value what He values. If Yahweh sees something as "morally disgusting and abhorrent," which is the definition of the word "abomination," then I desire to perceive the behavior as He does.

I cannot think of any reason why Yahweh would be displeased with the petition of a son or daughter who entreated Him to open their eyes to see sin as He does. In explaining why homosexuality is an unclean thing in Yahweh's sight, let me begin by providing a Biblical definition of sin. There are seven different Greek words for sin in the New Testament. In brief, they are as follows:

- 1. "Hamartia" = "To miss the mark," as in an archery competition, and therefore fail to receive the prize, or blessing. This is the general Greek word for sin, and is used 221 times. "Hamartia" encompasses the other 6 words for specific sins, in the sense that in all types of sin, we are "missing the mark." Example: Hebrews 12:1, KJV = "the sin (hamartia) which doeth so easily beset us."
- 2. "Hettema" = "Diminishing what should have been given full measure." Example: I Corinthians 6:7, KJV = "there is a fault (hettema) among you."
- 3. "Paraptoma" = "Falling when one should have stood." This one is actually an unintentional slip. Example: Ephesians 1:7, KJV = We have "the forgiveness of sins (paraptoma), according to the riches of His grace."
- 4. "Agnoeema" = "Ignorance when one should have known." Example: Hebrews 9:7, KJV = "the errors (agnoeema) of the people."
- 5. "Parakoe" = "To refuse to hear and heed God's word." Example: II Corinthians 10:6, KJV = "and we are ready to punish all disobedience (parakoe)."
- 6. "Parabasis" = "To intentionally cross a line." Example: Hebrews 2:2, KJV = "every transgression (parabasis) and disobedience (parakoe) received a just recompense of reward."
- 7. "Anomia" and "Paranomia" = "Lawlessness." Example: Titus 2:14 KJV = Jesus gave himself for us in order to "redeem us from all iniquity (anomia)."

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In the beginning of this present creation, Elohim, the God whom we know as "the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit," spoke the following.

Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness..."

Let us therefore visualize man in the image and likeness of Elohim as the standard. It is the goal of our creation. The New Testament reveals that this process of creating man in the image and likeness of God is ongoing. It has not yet been completed.

Romans 8:29

For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son...

The apostle Paul describes the bulls-eye toward which mankind has been directed.

Ephesians 4:13

Until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fulness of Christ.

This is a very high and lofty goal that is set before mankind. It is a goal man could not approach, or draw near unto, in his own strength, by his own wisdom, or abilities. We are guaranteed of arriving at this goal only because Yahweh has determined that we should do so. He has set mankind on the course to bear His image and likeness, but man has grievously deviated from the path.



Romans 3:23 For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Whenever we deviate from the path, when we act or think in a manner that is not in accordance with Yahweh's image and likeness, we sin. Homosexuality is deviant behavior. It is an example of deviating from the goal of being conformed to the image of Christ. The Bible tells us this is so, but let us seek to understand how homosexual behavior is a departure from the character of God.

A characteristic of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit that is both foundational to the divine nature, and immutable (unchanging) is that it is an expression of life. There is no death in the godhead. The apostle Paul provides the following insight.

I Corinthians 15:45

So also it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living soul." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit.

"The last Adam" is a reference to Christ. The name "Adam" means "man." Christ is the last man in a variety of senses. He appeared in the form of man 4,000 years after the first Adam. Yahshua is also the goal of humanity, the perfected image which we are destined to bear. Christians are the firstfruits of this work. They are the first to be partakers of the Holy Spirit, receiving within their beings the divine nature.

Satan is the adversary of God and man. He is working to corrupt, obstruct, and destroy the work of God. He deceived Eve in the Garden, and tempted the man to sin. Adam deviated from the thoughts and actions of Yahweh when he disobeyed the commandment of his Creator. Yahweh told Adam that on the day he ate of the forbidden fruit he would surely die. Nevertheless, Adam chose death. Men have been continually choosing death ever since.

We speak of this original sin as "the fall" of man. Like an arrow that falls short of its target, man fell to the ground. Symbolically, all men will fall to the ground and return to dust, for death is at work in man's members. We are all falling short of the will of Yahweh.

Sin is not only thoughts, words, and actions that deviate from the character of God, it is a force that holds men in bondage. When Adam sinned in the Garden, the principle of sin entered into his being. Through Adam sin spread to all of his descendants.

Romans 5:12, 19

Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men... through the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners...

From the time of Adam's transgression, man has been continually falling short of the image and likeness of God.

Romans 3:10-18

As it is written, "There is none righteous, not even one; There is none who understands, there is none who seeks for God; All have turned aside, together they have become useless; There is none who does good, there is not even one. " "Their throat is an open grave, with their tongues they keep deceiving," "The poison of asps is under their lips"; "Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness"; "Their feet are swift to shed blood, destruction and misery are in their paths, and the path of peace have they not known. " "There is no fear of God before their eyes."

Let us consider now one of the chief ways in which man has fallen from the original goal of his creation. The image of the divine nature is seen in Yahshua. He was God appearing in a body of flesh. Yahshua appeared to show mankind what God looks like when He indwells a body of flesh. We have read that Christ is a "*life-givin*g spirit."

As believers, we acknowledge that Christ came to bring life to mankind. By his death on the cross and resurrection from the grave, He was able to impart life to fallen humanity. Even before

His resurrection from the dead we see glimpses of the life-giving nature of the Son of God. On numerous occasions Yahshua raised those who had died.					

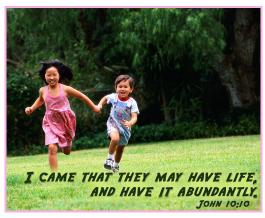
Matthew 9:18-25

While He was saying these things to them, behold, there came a synagogue official, and bowed down before Him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay Your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus rose and began to follow him, and so did His disciples... And when Yahshua came into the official's house, and saw the flute-players, and the crowd in noisy disorder, He began to say, "Depart; for the girl has not died, but is asleep." And they began laughing at Him. But when the crowd had been put out, He entered and took her by the hand; and the girl arose.

Luke 7:11-15

And it came about soon afterwards, that He went to a city called Nain; and His disciples were going along with Him, accompanied by a large multitude. Now as He approached the gate of the city, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a sizeable crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, He felt compassion for her, and said to her, "Do not weep." And He came up and touched the coffin; and the bearers came to a halt. And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise!" And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And Yahshua gave him back to his mother.

The story of Lazarus being raised from the dead is also very familiar to Christians. In these experiences we see that the essence of the nature of God is life. That which God touches is imbued with life.



John 5:26

For just as the Father has life in Himself, even so He gave to the Son also to have life in Himself...

John 14:6

Yahshua said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life..."

Hebrews 7:16

[Yahshua] has been constituted a Priest, not on the basis of a bodily legal requirement, an externally imposed command concerning His physical ancestry, but on the basis of the power of an... indestructible Life.

[Amplified Bible]

Yahshua not only has life in Himself, but He gives life to others.

John 4:14

"Whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life."

Observe now how Elohim created man to share His life giving nature. In Adam's original state before his fall, he knew no death. Adam would not have known decay, corruption, or diminishment of his powers if he had not sinned. Man was alive, and in him there was no death at work. Furthermore, God created man to contain seed by which he might produce more life after his own kind. The first commandment Yahweh gave to the man and woman related to the spread, or dissemination, of life.

Genesis 1:27-28

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. And God blessed them, and God said unto them, "Be fruitful, and multiply..."



In the first chapter of Genesis we find a brief overview of the creation of the earth, culminating in the creation of man on the sixth day. We are told that God created man "male and female." This is all the detail provided in chapter one. Yet, in chapter two, we are given additional information that we might understand more accurately the relationship between the man and the woman.

Genesis 2:7, 15, 18-24

And Yahweh God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being... Then Yahweh God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it... And Yahweh God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him." Out of the ground Yahweh God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them. And whatever Adam called each living creature, that was its name. So Adam gave names to all cattle, to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper suitable for him. And Yahweh God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. Then the rib which Yahweh God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man. And Adam said: "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; She shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

Yahweh created man first, then He created woman. The apostle Paul speaks of this in the following passage:

I Corinthians 11:8-9

For man does not originate from woman, but woman from man; for indeed man was not created for the woman's sake, but woman for the man's sake.

I Timothy 2:13

For it was Adam who was first created, and then Eve.

Why was woman created? It was because Yahweh declared that it was not good for man to be alone. He declared that man needed a helper. What was the chief thing man needed help with? Man was created to do the works of God. He was created to look and act like his Creator. Yahweh is a life-giver, and He intended man to also be a life-giver. Man could not bring forth life on his own. Man contained the seed of life, for in man is the sperm of procreation. The seed of life, however, needed a fertile and protected place wherein it might be nurtured and brought to maturity. This place, by Yahweh's design, is in the womb of the woman.



It takes male and female, working together, to bring forth life. In this way humanity conforms itself to the image and likeness of God, for He is a life-giving spirit.

Advocates of homosexual behavior cannot change the fact that it takes a man and a woman together to produce life. Two men engaged in homosexual intercourse cannot produce life. Two women engaged in homosexual intercourse cannot produce life. Homosexuality, by its very nature, is sterile. It is devoid of life. It falls short of being a true reflection of the image and likeness of Yahweh.

That homosexual relationships are devoid of life is a profound truth that cannot be overemphasized. Mankind was created to be a reflection of his Creator. Yahweh designed His creation so that a man and a woman in a heterosexual relationship might bring forth life. This is a fact that homosexuality cannot overcome. A homosexual male may have thousands of same-sex partners, but his seed will never produce life. A woman in a lesbian relationship will never become impregnated with life from her same-sex partner.

Homosexuality is often referred to as "the gay lifestyle." This description is false. Homosexuality

is NOT a LIFEstyle. It is a DEATHstyle. The apostle Paul wrote of the deadly consequences of homosexual behavior.						

Romans 1:27

The men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts and *receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error*.

What is the "due penalty" for homosexuality? The Bible reveals that it is death.

Romans 1:32

Although they know the ordinance of God, that those who practice such things are worthy of death, they not only do the same, but also give hearty approval to those who practice them.

Humanity cannot escape the judgment of the Creator. AIDS has been described as a pandemic, and a plague. Yet, it is at its root a behavioral plague. A recent report by the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta stated that 1 in 5 homosexual and bisexual males in America are infected with the HIV/AIDS virus. David France, in his recently released documentary *How to Survive a Plague* reports that every minute four people die of AIDS related illness.

In the New Testament, James describes the progression of sin.

James 1:14-15

But each one is tempted when he is carried away and enticed by his own lust. Then when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished, it brings forth death.

These words are an apt description of homosexual behavior and the sickness and death that it produces. The majority of homosexual behavior is the fruit of lust. James speaks of lust "conceiving," yet we know that homosexual lust does not result in conception of life. Nevertheless, homosexual behavior does conceive. It conceives death.

GRID (Gay Related Immune Deficiency), later re-branded as AIDS, has led to the early death of millions of homosexuals worldwide. Even more tragically, homosexual behavior has led to the deaths of millions of other individuals who are not homosexuals. Some have been the innocent victims of contaminated blood transfusions, or babies born to mothers who were infected with AIDS.

The medical community and media have deceitfully argued that AIDS is not a homosexual disease. They point to the many drug addicts who are infected with AIDS by sharing tainted needles, and the large number of women, especially in Africa and third world nations, who are infected with AIDS. What they neglect to tell people is that AIDS was spread to these other groups by homosexuals.

Simon Fanshawe, an unabashed homosexual living in the U.K., produced a documentary in 2006 titled *The Trouble With Gay Men*. The film was broadcast on the BBC 3 channel, and explored the sordid world of gay men in England. In an interview with Simon Fanshawe, the following was reported.

Fanshawe, who was involved in the early homosexualist political movement, says, "We've fought discrimination and prejudice, only to wreck ourselves with drugs and wild sex."

In his documentary Fanshawe admits that the homosexualist movement has in the main achieved its political goals of equalising homosexuality with natural sexual relations, in abolishing laws against sodomy and creating legal equivalency with marriage and adoption. Given these achievements, Fanshawe asks, "Why do we seem hell bent on behaving like eternal teenagers?"

"We're hooked on vanity, and regard older men with contempt. Despite AIDS we're still chasing the ultimate sexual high and what's more are determined to wreck ourselves on designer drugs..."

Gay men, he says, are so "hardwired" towards finding casual sexual encounters, some going as far as plastic implants to enhance their appearance, that finding genuine intimacy is "practically impossible."

"Vast amounts of our leisure time are organised around sex, straight or gay. But what gay men have done is organise our identity around sex. And that is corrosive. And to make things worse, promiscuity has become the norm."

The documentarian asks the proprietor of a gay sex bath house, "Paul," who had just related some graphic stories of group sexual encounters in the establishment, "Are we just swimming around in a sewer which we're just sort of saying is normal?..."

Fanshawe says he is horrified at the lack of emotional involvement and at the willingness of men to engage in "unsafe sex." The film includes statistics that show the deadly consequences of the homosexual lifestyle. One in nine gay men in London is HIV infected and new cases of HIV have doubled in the city in five years. Incidences of syphilis have increased in the same time period 616 per cent.

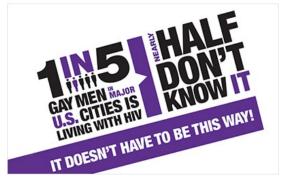
"Unsafe" sex, he says, is not the only way in which gay men are self destructive. "If there's a new drug, gay men will find it and take it," he states.

At one point Fanshawe interviews a homosexual man who has "done all the drugs" and now campaigns in gay clubs against the growing use of crystal methamphetamine. The man, who could not be identified for fear of reprisals from drug dealers, said that crystal meth is preferred in the gay community because it reduces the inhibitions and allows sex to be brought to an "animalistic" level "devoid of emotion." The film says that one in five gay men in London use crystal meth.

[Source: http://www.lifesitenews.com/news/archive/ldn/2008/sep/08091011]

Homosexual promiscuity and drug use go hand in hand. One person has aptly stated that gay sex is simply another drug. It is devoid of any personal meaning, and is simply a way to receive a temporal physical high. Homosexual men infected with AIDS, or HIV, share needles with drug users who are not gay. The drug users became infected from the contaminated syringes, and

spread the disease to other drug users (male and female) as well as to their sexual partners. Many men participating in homosexual behavior also have sex with women, further spreading the disease to the female population. The women in turn spread the disease to their sexual partners, and to their babies.



Homosexual behavior is a culture of death. It is the antithesis of the nature of God. Rather than producing life, homosexual unions are sterile. Rather than being a source of life to others, it spreads death throughout society. In 1985 the media reported the story of Ryan White, a 13 year old hemophiliac with AIDS, who was barred from attending school in Indiana. Ryan became infected with the AIDS virus through a blood transfusion. Ryan died in 1990 of AIDS, an innocent victim of the death dealing lifestyle of homosexuality. Untold numbers of men, women, and children have suffered a similar fate as homosexual behavior has spread death throughout society.

AIDS has been contracted through tainted blood, through doctors or dentists with AIDS who infect their patients, and through improperly sterilized medical or dental equipment. In many cases, the people who spread the disease knew they were infected but failed to disclose their infection to others. Whatever their motive for remaining silent, they are committing manslaughter. Some are committing murder, for they intentionally engage in behavior that they know will result in others becoming infected. Many drug addicts, or homeless people who are infected with HIV/AIDS, have donated blood to blood banks when they knew they were infected. Others engage in prostitution, or consensual sex, not disclosing that they are infected. Others are ignorant of the fact that they are infected, but they know they are engaging in risky behavior.

Many men and women simply do not care about the lives of others. They are unconcerned about whether they are infecting another person with a disease that may kill them. The following account comes from a 2012 news article.

David Dean Smith from Comstock Park, Mich., a suburb of Grand Rapids, allegedly infected 3,000 men and woman with HIV -- on purpose, MSNBC reported.

Smith, 51, recently turned himself into Michigan police and claimed that he slept with thousands of people over a number of years with the intent of killing them by infecting them with the virus. Health officials from the Kent County Health Department have issued a warning that "hundreds of people have been exposed to HIV," and recommend people to get tested for the virus...

One of the two possible victims told a local Grand Rapids news station, WOOD-TV, that she has been HIV positive since Oct. 2008.

She met Smith through a personals ad on Yahoo! and says she instantly knew it was Smith who infected her...

"He hits drifters," she said. "He hits people who are young. He hits young women, and from what I understand, he hits men, too. Those are his targets..."

In a more notorious case, Gaetan Dugas, who was a Canadian air flight attendant and the alleged patient zero for AIDS, spread the disease to several victims before it was fully understood.

Dugas claimed to have slept with more than 2,500 people [primarily gay men] across North America since 1972...

In addition, a man in Texas was accused of having sex with an underage boy and was charged with aggravated sexual assault with a deadly weapon because he is HIV positive.

[Source: http://www.edgeonthenet.com/index.php?ch=news&sc=aids&sc3=&id=128732]

That homosexuality is a culture of death is revealed quite vividly in a documentary titled *The Gift*. Louise Hogarth reports in her documentary of a growing trend among homosexual men to seek out partners who can infect them with HIV. The men seeking to be infected are referred to as "bug chasers" and the infected men they have sex with are referred to as "gift givers."

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Spreading HIV/AIDS As A Gift

Published: May 24, 2003

SEATTLE - "I didn't know I was gonna change so fast. No one told me."

No one told him, said 21-year-old Doug Hitzel, that HIV will eventually kill him. It's something he wishes he did know before he got intentionally infected with HIV.

He's the focus of the documentary "The Gift": a study of a subculture of gay men who actively seek out getting infected with HIV-AIDS.

Some of them like Doug are now distraught and dying: HIV cocktails haven't worked for him.

Others interviewed in the documentary are unashamed and proud of what they did.

"Happy," said another young man interviewed in the documentary about purposely getting infected with HIV. "Relieved. I can breath again."

"They call themselves bug-chasers and they look for an HIV positive man who's a gift-giver to give them the gift of HIV," said documentary filmmaker Louise Hogarth.

Hogarth's documentary, screened this weekend at the Seattle International Film Festival, attempts to show why this phenomenon exists. She says some gay men believe they're going to get HIV eventually anyway and seek out this "conversion" so they won't have to worry about it anymore. That, the documentary shows, allows them to participate in forms of sex that they otherwise could not participate in for fear of getting the virus...

"The Gift" shows how "bug-chasers" and "gift-givers" can be found on the internet: a phenomenon world-wide...

Hogarth hopes her documentary... will help change the way people, gay and straight, think about HIV: that despite a reduction in annual AIDS deaths that drug treatments don't work for everyone and that there is still NO cure.

"Partially the fault of the gay community or the drug community not showing what getting HIV means..."

A report earlier this year claimed that 25% of new gay male HIV infections could be blamed on this trend.

[Source: http://www.komonews.com/news/archive/4093766.html]

In 1995 *The New York Times* reported that AIDS had become the leading cause of death among all Americans ages 25 to 44. By 2002 AIDS had become the leading cause of death worldwide among people aged 15-59.

[Data Source: http://www.amfar.org/thirty-years-of-hiv/aids-snapshots-of-an-epidemic/]

Death is the "gift" that homosexual behavior has given to the world. Despite this truth, people in positions of influence and power, such as U.S. President Barack Obama, defend homosexuality as a normal and wholesome lifestyle, while lauding the great contributions homosexuals have made to society. Satan is a liar, and so too are the men and women who serve him.

A young homosexual male posted the following comment to a discussion forum.

Gay culture or Death culture?

I'm at my wit's end with gay culture. Promiscuity and unsafe sex are rampant and fueling the spread of HIV. Gay culture has returned to the culture of death that it was in the 80s.

There is a fatalism about it. Many of the gay men I meet nowadays believe that they are going to get the disease if they haven't already and have no desire to know whether they have the disease and are spreading it. Now over 40% of gay men who are infected don't know it. As my gay roommate puts it, "I don't intend to live to old age." Apparently he doesn't care if the people he sleeps with live to old age either. Even on Craigslist there are literally thousands of men seeking men for unsafe sex only.

What can you do about a culture that has become completely ambivalent to the disease it is helping carry and spread?

The antiviral medications that were hailed as the greatest innovation against the disease have aided in its spread by focusing efforts towards treatment rather than prevention. The medications do not last forever and eventually people do succumb to the virus at a younger age than they would had they not become infected.

The only solutions I can perceive at this point are monogamy or celibacy. Either you don't have sex, or you only have sex within a committed relationship. At this point to be truly safe within a relationship gay men have to forgo unsafe sex with each other until both partners have been tested 6 months after their last sexual contact with someone outside the relationship. It can take up to 6 months for antibodies to show up on an HIV test.

I used to think condoms were an answer, but if you don't have one available, or you unwisely choose to trust the person you are with, then you still fall into trouble. The lack of spontaneity and the interruption of sexual activities also make condoms unattractive options. And then there is the difference of sensation.

What can be done?

[Source: http://forums.intpcentral.com/showthread.php?42998-Gay-culture-or-Death-culture

Those who practice homosexual behavior have a choice to make. They can either accept the fact that they will likely become infected with a horrible disease and die at a premature age, freeing them to participate in unsafe sexual activity, or they must choose to abandon promiscuity. Homosexual behavior is like playing Russian roulette. A person who does so is flirting with death. A recent article in the online magazine *American Conservative* accurately stated the following.

What kind of culture teaches that it's better to have an unfettered sex life than to, you know, live? A culture of death, that's what.

[Source: http://www.theamericanconservative.com/dreher/the-thing-speaks-for-itself/]



Birth Control Pills

America became a culture of death in 1973. That year the Supreme Court declared it to be a woman's right to murder the child in her womb. It was the same year that the American Psychiatric Association removed homosexuality from their list of mental illnesses, declaring it to be normal, and healthy behavior. America chose death over life.

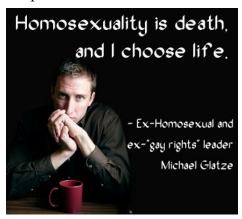
America is choosing death over life in many ways. Birth control pills, and other forms of contraceptives, are also antithetical to the nature of God. Throughout the Bible godly women are consistently portrayed as desiring to bring forth life. Yet even in the church in America, women are seeking to engage in sexual activity while rendering themselves sterile. This is contrary to the nature and character of God, which is life-giving.

America has not been able to escape the consequences of her actions. A nation that has chosen a death is dying morally, spiritually, and physically. America's once vaunted economy and manufacturing might has been destroyed. The dollar is dead and the world is simply waiting for this fact to be acknowledged. America is exporting death to other nations. She has killed more than one million Iraqi citizens in a war over oil. She is dealing death from above as she fills the skies with armed drones.

That America's leaders are promoting homosexuality as desirable is in keeping with their other policies and actions. A culture of death is spreading death within and without.

Homosexuality is NOT harmonious with divine life. Far from being conformed to the image and likeness of God, homosexuality is a manifestation of the spirit of anti-christ. It is antagonistic to life, and a bringer of death.

Chapter 10



I have examined one aspect of homosexuality that is antithetical to the character and nature of God. It is sterile, devoid of life, and a spreader of death to mankind. It has been observed that Yahweh's plan for man is that humanity might be conformed to His own image and likeness. Yahweh is a source of life, and there is no death in Him. We are also told that Christ is a life-giving spirit. A very well known Scripture declaring the nature of Christ is the following.

John 14:6

"I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but through Me."

In this post I want to focus on another aspect of homosexual behavior, demonstrating that it not only deviates from the "life" found in Christ, but it also is devoid of "truth." In this series I have shown that many lies are being spread by the proponents of homosexuality. Two days ago, New Jersey Governor Chris Christie signed into law legislation that is similar to that which Governor Jerry Brown of California has made the law of his state. It is now illegal in New Jersey to offer change counseling to anyone under the age of 18 who identifies as a homosexual. I would like to examine a news report posted to the Fox News website on this new legislation in order to identify the lies that are being propounded. The article is titled:

NJ Gov. Christie signs ban on controversial gay conversion therapy Published August 19, 2013

[Source:

http://www.foxnews.com/politics/2013/08/19/nj-gov-christie-signs-ban-on-gay-conversion-therapy/]

One of the implicit lies of this news articles is that Governor Christie has arrived at this decision on his own. Christie is a puppet being controlled by unseen masters. Like the President of the United States, he follows the script that has been delivered to him. There is an unseen hand guiding Governor Christie's policies. It is a work of deception to portray his legislative acts as something he arrived at independently after conscientious consideration. Nothing could be further from the truth.

(For those unfamiliar with the depths to which Americans have been deceived about their government and who truly controls it, I recommend the book *Dragon Flood*.)

The article begins with the following statement.

New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie signed into law on Monday legislation that bars licensed therapists from trying to turn gay teenagers straight, though the Republican said in a statement he did so "reluctantly..."

"Government should tread carefully into this area," he said in the signing note, "and I do so here reluctantly."

The media is an instrument in the hands of a global elite to portray before humanity a deceptive image of the world.



It suits them to portray Governor Christie as a public servant who is concerned for the welfare of the citizens of his state. This image is a thin facade to mask the ambitious, self-serving motives that truly drive this man. There was no "reluctance" in this act. Chris Christie has sold himself to do the work of globalists who are pressing forward an agenda inspired by Satan. The apostle Paul pulls back the curtain and exposes the true character of such men.

II Corinthians 11:14-15

Even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light. Therefore it is not surprising if his servants also disguise themselves as servants of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their deeds.

Governor Christie pretends to be concerned about the health of the young people in his state, and the media which is owned by the same global masters he serves, is complicit in fostering an image of a man who is acting on behalf of the people's welfare. The article continues:

Christie said the health risks of trying to change a child's sexual orientation, as identified by the American Psychological Association, trump concerns over the government setting limits on parental choice...

Christie said on "issues of medical treatment for children we must look to experts in the field to determine the relative risks and rewards," citing a litany of potential ill effects of trying to change sexual orientation, including depression, drug abuse and suicide.

"I believe that exposing children to these health risks without clear evidence of benefits that outweigh these serious risks is not appropriate," he said...

This series has shown that homosexual behavior is intrinsically unhealthy. Let Governor Christie go view the AIDS quilt the next time it is displayed in Washington, D.C.. As immense as it is, the quilt represents only a fraction of the people who have died as a result of contracting this deadly virus that is spread by homosexual behavior. The number of young people who suffer depression, and attempt suicide, is far higher among homosexuals than heterosexuals. Drug use among practicing homosexuals is also higher than that of the heterosexual population.

Matt Barber, a columnist for World Net Daily, provided an analogy to reveal the dishonesty of the pro-homosexual lobby. After citing a recent CDC report that reveals that one in five homosexual males is infected with the HIV/AIDS virus, he states:

As the CDC has once again verified, if you affirm or defend homosexual behavior as "normal, natural and good," you also defy science. You're on the wrong side of history, let alone reality.

What is it about this particular PC-protected practice that causes so many otherwise intelligent people to become blinded blathering buffoons?

Let's say we had a group of people who defined their identity based upon a penchant for running headlong into brick walls. Oh, we'll call them, "Wallies." (Wally pride, baby!)

As significant percentages of Wallies began to drop dead, or suffer irreversible brain damage, do you suppose the Left would demand tolerance for such behavior? Do you think they'd begin handing out bicycle helmets in elementary schools, telling kids to practice safe walling? With liberals, anything's possible, but I'm more inclined to think that even the moonbat Left might agree that people tending toward such behavior would be best served to simply avoid running headlong into walls altogether.

I don't mean to be flip (okay, maybe a little flip) but can someone please tell me why on earth the Left insists that we "tolerate" homosexual behavior while – as the CDC has once again confirmed – it continues to have results similar to brick-walling?

We throw paper-thin latex condoms at kids who struggle with same-sex attraction and tell them: "You're gay! Embrace who you are. Gay pride, baby!"

We push them out onto a paper-thin latex tightrope with a one-in-five chance they'll plummet to their death.

What in the name of all things sacred are we doing? One-in-five with AIDS? Seriously? If five people got into a car and were told that one of them wasn't going to survive the drive, how quickly do you suppose they'd scatter?

Unnatural behaviors beget natural consequences. Scripture admonishes: "For the wages of sin

is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23. [Source: http://www.wnd.com/2010/09/208869/]

A very big lie is being spoken when men in government cite the health risks of changing a person's sexual orientation back to that which God created to be normal. Abnormal equals unhealthy. Unnatural actions lead to sickness, depression, and death. The human conscience informs an individual of the deviancy of their actions. Violating one's conscience leads to depression, for a person cannot feel good about themselves morally as long as their conscience condemns them.



It was sodomites within the American Psychiatric Association who removed homosexuality from the APA's list of mental illness and deviant sexual behavior. Yet Governor Christie would put greater weight upon the opinions of sodomite men than he would upon the word of God. Of course sodomites are going to say that it is unhealthy to try to change the sexual orientation of a homosexual. Yet, such a claim is an example of telling a big lie. Yahweh declares that turning away from unnatural and immoral behavior is the ultimate act of health, and it is life giving.

Ezekiel 33:11

"Say to them, 'As I live!' declares Yahweh God, 'I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that the wicked turn from his way and live. Turn back, turn back from your evil ways! Why then will you die?"

James 5:19-20

My brethren, if any among you strays from the truth, and one turns him back, let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save his soul from death, and will cover a multitude of sins.

James 5:14-16

Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer offered in faith will restore the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up, and *if he has committed sins, they will be forgiven him. Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed.*

Governor Christie is espousing lies when he says that it is unhealthy to turn a homosexual away from their behavior. Satan is a liar. There is no truth in him. You will recognize his servants by the lies they tell and by their opposition to the word of truth.

The Fox News article continues:

The decision marks the third time this month that Christie has staked out a moderate position on a hot-button social issue as he seeks a second term in a Democratic-leaning state.

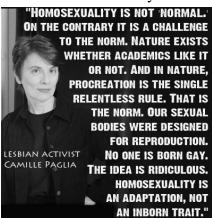
Christie found middle ground on medical marijuana for children when he agreed Friday to allow growers to cultivate additional strains, and for marijuana to be made in an edible form for chronically ill children. But he would not lift an oversight provision that could require as many as three doctors to sign off on a prescription.

Satan is cunning like a Fox. Many readers will accept the characterization of Governor Christie's actions as "moderate," and a "middle ground." These words are intentionally used to defuse any criticism of his actions being extreme. The media masters would have readers to perceive the Governor's actions as mainstream, while depicting attempts to restore people to sexual normalcy as extreme. There is nothing moderate about this legislation. It is radical in the extreme. It is a blatant example of rabid homosexual advocacy.

The article further states:

In signing the ban, Christie reiterated his belief that people are born gay and homosexuality is not a sin, a position he first stated in a 2011 interview with CNN's Piers Morgan. That view is inconsistent with his Catholic faith, which teaches that homosexual acts are sins.

Here are more lies, for men and women are NOT born gay, and homosexuality is a sin. Notice carefully that the view that people are born gay is described as a "belief." There is no scientific evidence that people are born as homosexuals. Yet, by referencing the APA both before and after this statement, the impression is given that there is some scientific basis for this false view. Governor Christie might be surprised, or dismayed, to know that there are members of the homosexual community who stridently deny that people are born gay.



Camille Paglia, who is a practicing lesbian, nevertheless rejects the deception and outright lies that the media, medical, and scientific communities have used to advance the spread of homosexuality. Coming from a self-professed lesbian pagan, her scathing exposure of the lies of homosexual advocates is an anomaly. In her book *Vamps and Tramps*, Paglia shares the following statements. (My comments will be in parentheses.)

For the past decade, the situation has been out of control: responsible scholarship is impossible when rational discourse is being policed by storm troopers, in this case gay activists, who have the absolutism of all fanatics in claiming sole access to the truth...

In the Eighties and early Nineties, displaced anxiety over the horror of AIDS turned gay activists into rampaging nihilists and monomaniacs, who dishonestly blamed the disease on the government... AIDS did not appear out of nowhere. It was a direct result of the sexual revolution, which my generation unleashed with the best of intentions, but whose worst effects were to be suffered primarily by gay men. In the West, despite much propaganda to the contrary. AIDS is a gay disease and will remain one for the foreseeable future...

Homosexuality is not 'normal.' On the contrary, it is a challenge to the norm; therein rests its eternally revolutionary character Queer theorists - that wizened crew of flimflamming free-loaders - have tried to take the post structuralist tack of claiming that there is no norm, since everything is relative and contingent. This is the kind of silly bind that word-obsessed people get into when they are deaf, dumb, and blind to the outside world. Nature exists, whether academics like it or not. And in nature, procreation is the single, relentless rule. That is the norm. Our sexual bodies were designed for reproduction... no fancy linguistic game-playing can change that biologic fact...

ACT-UP won substantial practical victories in its mobilizations against the political and medical establishment, but its most crazed extremists also did enormous damage to the public image of gay men that will take a generation to undo. Flashed across the nation's television screens were contorted male faces, raging, ranting, bawling like infants - 'Me, me, me!'

Total attention and an instant cure were demanded, even though science had failed to find a cure for any virus, even the common cold...

ACT-UP's hysteria made me reconsider those vilified therapists and ministers who think change of homosexual orientation is possible and whose meetings are constantly disrupted by gay agitators. Is gay identity so fragile that it cannot bear the thought that some people may not wish to be gay. Sexuality is highly fluid, and reversals are theoretically possible. However, habit is refractory... a phenomenon obvious in the struggle with obesity, smoking, alcoholism, or drug addiction... Helping gays learn how to function heterosexually, if they so wish, is a perfectly worthy aim...

Heterosexual love is in sync with cosmic forces. Not everyone has the stomach for daily war with nature...

(Joseph's Comment: As a pagan, Ms. Paglia identifies the divine presence in, and divine order of, creation as "cosmic forces." Yet she rightly concludes that people must wage daily war to deny what is obviously the proper order of nature. This is the main reason why there is so much mental illness, depression, and drug use among homosexuals. The stress resulting from embracing an unnatural sexual order bears down upon individuals until many break from the strain.)

The sexual segregation of gay bars following Stonewall was bad for everyone. The men slid into orgiastic narcissism, and the women entombed themselves in a gigantic burrow, the clogged honeypot of lesbian feminism... Now that twenty-five years have passed, it's time to admit that lesbian feminism has produced only the ghettoization and miniaturization of women... Women never grow from the moment they enter the lesbian world. Hence one is deafened in bars by the juvenile whooping and hollering of packs of lesbians greeting each other like screeching teens arriving at a slumber party...

(Joseph's Comment: The charge of immaturity was similarly leveled by Simon Fanshawe, a male homosexual, who produced the documentary *The Trouble With Gay Men*. Fanshawe asked, "Why do we seem hell bent on behaving like eternal teenagers?" I think there is much more truth in Mr. Fanshawe's statement than he realized. Homosexuals are "hell bent" in more ways than one. Not only are they destined to experience a fiery judgment, but their lives are twisted by the very being for whom hell was created. Immaturity is a characteristic of all who give themselves over to a pursuit of sin. No man or woman can arrive at the fulness of the stature that belongs to Christ as long as they are pursuing immorality.)

When women withdraw from men, as has been done on a massive scale in lesbian feminism, we have a cultural disaster on our hands. In such a situation, men are divided from themselves and women simply fail to mature. Lesbian feminists, for all their ideals of sisterhood and solidarity, can treat each other with a fickleness, parasitic exploitativeness, and vicious spite that have to be seen to be believed...

Today, when a freshman has an affair with another girl all the campus social-welfare machinery pushes her toward declaring herself gay and accepting and 'celebrating' it. This is a serious mistake... It is absurd to say that one, two, or more homosexual liaisons make you 'gay' - as if lavender ink ran in your veins. Young women are often attracted to each other during a transitional period when they are breaking away from their parents, expanding their world-views, and developing their personalities. To identify these fruitful Sapphic idylls with a permanent condition of homosexuality is madness, and the campus counselors who encourage such premature conclusions should be condemned and banished. They are preying, for their own

ideological purposes, on young people at their most vulnerable.



(Joseph's Comment: In describing lesbian encounters as "fruitful Sapphic idylls" Ms. Paglia is revealing her aberrant personal view that homosexual experiences are beneficial. Nevertheless, she recognizes that the psychiatric and counseling communities are pushing a demented ideology upon youths who experiment sexually, by seeking to convince them that they are homosexuals, locking them into an identity that they are told cannot be changed. The author then speaks to the issue of lesbians increasingly employing sex toys modeled after the male body in order to stimulate themselves. She suggests that such women reject men for reasons other than sex, and they need to deal with the true root of their rejection. She reasons that if a woman is not antagonistic toward men, and is stimulated by toys modeled after the male sex organ, they might as well get a real man. Her arguments are quite rational and reveal a cognitive dissonance, and underlying dishonesty, among the homosexual community.)

Visiting the elite schools on my lecture jaunts I am struck by how the most militantly gay, Foucault-addled male students look like orphans, with 12-year-old Huck Finn clothing styles and haunted, starved eyes. My friend Robert Caserio says, 'Queer theory isolates them from reality.' This is one reason why gay studies in its current separatist form, must be opposed...

It is ridiculous to assert that gay men are interested only in other gay men and would never ogle straight men in barracks showers. When I heard this on TV I burst out laughing. Anyone who belongs to a health club knows better. Sexual tension and appraisal are constants, above all among gay men, who never stop cruising everything in sight. Seduction of straight studs is a highly erotic motif in gay porn...

Do we want the sexes forever divorced, in a state of permanent alienation? Lesbianism is increasing, since anxious unmasculine men have little to offer. Male homosexuality is increasing, because masculinity is in crisis... Current gay cant insists that homosexuality is 'not a choice,' ... but there is an element of choice in all behavior, sexual or otherwise. It takes an effort to deal with the opposite sex; it's safer with your own kind.

(Joseph's Comment: The author here touches on a subject that I believe needs further exploration. A leading contributor to homosexual behavior among both men and women, is an absence of true masculinity among males. Men are not living in conformity to Yahweh's design for men. They are failing at being the spiritual leaders, moral shepherds, and the defenders of truth that they were designed to be. Adam was not deceived in the Garden of Eden (I Timothy 2:14), which makes his participation in sin all the more egregious. His was a true moral failing. When men fall short of the image and likeness of God, they become less desirable to the soul of the woman. If Christ is the image of the perfected Bridegroom, the ultimate husband, then antichrist must be an undesirable image for woman. Those males manifesting this spirit would logically have less desire to enter into a holy and complete union with the woman, a union that includes, but transcends, the sexual relationship. The prophet Daniel describes one antichrist ruler in the following words. "And he will show no regard for the gods of his fathers or for the desire of women..." Daniel 11:37)

We should be aware of the potentially pernicious intermingling of gay activism with science, which produces more propaganda than truth. Gay scientists must be scientists first, gays second...

Midway through the AIDS epidemic, the media, having ignored homosexuality or treated it in a lurid manner, did a quick flip-flop under activist pressure and now continues its policy of unthinking cant by parroting the gay establishment party line on every occasion. Gay activists have earned a reputation as conspirators and casuists, because of their amoral tactics of deceit, defamation, intimidation, and extortion...

These are the words of a lesbian as she looks at the dishonesty of the homosexual movement with an insider's view. With charge after charge, she exposes the lies, fraud, and deception of homosexual advocates. Homosexuality is an altogether dishonest lifestyle. Homosexuals lie to themselves as they say they did not choose their behavior. They lie to one another and to the world as they say they were born homosexual and cannot change. They are disingenuous in depicting homosexuality as normal and wholesome when it is unnatural and unhealthy mentally, spiritually, and physically.

We are increasingly seeing the government and media act as the "intimidation, and extortion" arm of the homosexual agenda. By introducing extreme laws that even forbid offering counseling to a person who wishes to overcome same-sex attraction, the government is placing its jackboot on the necks of those who have rational arguments, and compassionate concern, for those who are held in bondage to a destructive behavior. The Fox article ends with the following statement that is intended to vilify all who disagree with the government's immoral and destructive policies.

Conversion therapy has increasingly drawn criticism for its methods. Last year, four gay men sued a Jersey City group for fraud, saying its program included making them strip naked and attack effigies of their mothers with baseball bats.

This is a further example of the deceit being employed to defend the actions of the prohomosexual advocates. A more extreme, unorthodox, example of conversion therapy can hardly be imagined. Rather that providing an honest description of the practices employed by the majority of counselors, whether they be Christian or secular, Fox News chose an egregious example of bizarre methodology in order to defame all counselors offering conversion therapy.

Homosexuality is not only a culture of death, it is one of lies and deception. Homosexuality is championed by liars. Its claims are predicated upon fraud and deception. It portrays itself in a false light as people seeking wholesome and committed long term relationships. It stifles all honest discourse, and it is now criminalizing the proclamation of truth, even when it offered with compassion. The practice of homosexuality is altogether incongruous with the divine nature.

Chapter 11



The Gender Book - Common Misconceptions

I Corinthians 14:33

For God is not a God of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints.

In this post I want to focus on another aspect of homosexuality that is a departure from the divine nature. Yahweh is a God of order. He is not the author of confusion. The entire creation must conform to the divine order, lest it descend into chaos.

The Scripture verse above is often cited, but it is beneficial to consider the context of the apostle Paul's words. Paul was remonstrating with the believers in Corinth due to the chaotic nature of their meetings. Things were out of order. One of the ways in which this disorder manifested was that the church was abusing the gift of tongues. Many individuals were speaking in tongues at the same time, and there was no interpretation. The din of non-intelligible language was producing a chaotic environment that was benefitting no one. Paul delivered to the church specific instructions to restore order, and benefit, to the church meetings. A few verses later he states.

I Corinthians 14:40

Let all things be done decently and in order.

When the creation conforms to Yahweh's divine order, there is peace, health, and fruitfulness. When the creation departs from the divine order there is discord, sickness, and barrenness. Many examples could be cited of the negative consequences of mankind deviating from Yahweh's established order. Not coincidentally, many of the most poignant examples are recent, for as Satan's influence upon this earth increases, the toxic effects of his evil schemes become more widespread. The introduction of foreign DNA into crop seed, commonly referred to as GMOs (Genetically Modified Organisms), is one example of mankind altering the natural arrangement of God with tragic effects.

Monsanto is one of the largest corporations involved in this effort. They have created "terminator" seeds that will not reproduce, making farmers dependent upon purchasing new seed

for every crop. They have introduced pesticides into the plant's DNA to kill insects. They have modified corn and soybean DNA to be resistant to the pesticide known as RoundUp. Monsanto, in collusion with the U.S. government, has suppressed private research into the health effects of these GMO crops, but the research that has emerged reveals that by altering the genetic structure of seeds, the plants are less nutritious, and in many instances introduce sickness, including cancers, to those who consume them. Ranchers have found that livestock that has been fed on GMO corn have developed digestion problems. Cattle have been unable to put on weight when fed GMO grains. They have increased rates of infertility, experience far more stillbirths, etc..

Adding fluoride, a toxin and carcinogen produced as industrial waste, to human drinking water is another example of man trying to "improve" on Yahweh's divine design of the creation while producing just the opposite effect. Much has been written about the deleterious effect of vaccines. Injecting humans with viral material, heavy metals, and other toxins, as well as using aborted fetal cells to produce the vaccines, has introduced an array of health problems that far outweigh any claimed benefit that has been derived from the vaccines. Because the world media, and national governments, are controlled by a global corporatocracy, the news about the negative impact of tampering with God's creation order is suppressed, while false claims of great benefit are fed to the populace. The situation is no different when it comes to the promotion of homosexuality.

The image at the top of this post is taken from a publication titled *The Gender Book*. The publication is available online as a PDF file to be read, printed, and shared with others, and will soon be available as a paperback book. It is intended to be used as a primer to educate people on the subject of human gender.

http://www.thegenderbook.com/

The author begins his book with the statement:

One of the first things to do was to unpack a lot of inherited beliefs about gender and examine them for myself.

The writer, a man who identifies with the female gender, lists some of these "inherited beliefs," while sharing his views on them. They include the following:

Gender is obvious.

Nope! The only way to be sure you know how a person identifies is to ask them.

Gender is the same as sex.

No Way! Maybe it matches for you, but not everyone feels that way. The short answer is that sex lives between your legs, while gender lives in between your ears.

Gender is static.

Nope! Gender can change over the course of your life.

There are only two genders.

This misconception is so common, it has its own name - gender binary. Actually, there are at least as many genders as there are cultures, and lots of more helpful ways to think of them than merely masculine and feminine.

The bottom of the page includes the following thought summary.

So if we throw out those assumptions that don't work, what's left? It seems clear to me that gender isn't biology, it isn't your sexuality, it isn't always obvious, it isn't how you were raised or what surgeries you can afford, it isn't static, and it isn't how others see you. Gender is simply how you see yourself.

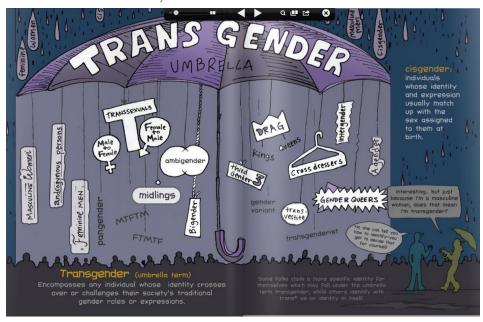
These words describe well the philosophy of Satan regarding the sexes. You cannot tell what gender a person is by looking at them. You cannot even tell what a person's gender is if you know their sex, and which reproductive organs they have. A person's gender is not established at birth. It can change throughout their life. Satan would have us to believe that gender is as transitive as the wayward thoughts of man.

People of God, this is foolishness. It is disorder. It is chaos. Such statements stand in stark opposition to the declaration of the Creator.

Genesis 1:27

And God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; *male and female He created them.*

There are NOT unlimited genders. There are only two genders. They are male and female; masculine and feminine; man and woman. In this same book the author shares the following.



Transgender Umbrella

In *The Gender Book*, the term transgender is defined as "any individual whose identity crosses over or challenges their society's traditional gender roles or expressions." Satan would declare deviancy to be normal. Yahweh has not created any men in the bodies of women, nor women in the bodies of men. Nor is the sex of an individual indeterminate until they reach maturity and "choose" which gender that wish to identify with. Yahweh declares:

Jeremiah 1:5

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you..."

The prophet Isaiah stated:

Isaiah 49:1

Yahweh called Me from the womb; From the body of My mother He named Me.

Yahweh created males with male bodies, and females with female bodies. Gender and sex are one and the same. Many have sought to sow confusion into the subject of gender identity by mentioning that there are some people who are born with indistinct gender. The sex organs of a small number of individuals are not properly formed at birth. The number of people born with this condition is less than .005 percent.

Because of the presence of sin in the world, there are individuals who come from the womb with deformities. Some have physical deformities, and some are mentally handicapped. We clearly recognize such individuals as exceptional. They are not the NORM. A person may be born without arms, but this does not mean that Yahweh's norm for mankind is to not have arms. To argue that it is normal for men and women to be gender confused because a small number of individuals are born with deformities to their reproductive organs is akin to saying that there is no such thing as normal eyesight because some people are born with visual impairment, or there is not such thing as normal hearing because some individuals are born deaf. We recognize blindness, and deafness, or impairments to sight and hearing, as being abnormal, and corrective measures are taken to restore the normal function if possible. There is no difference in how humanity should treat those born with abnormalities to their reproductive organs.

Yahweh created mankind as male and female. He gave instructions to mankind to guard these gender distinctions. Yahweh commanded His people to not allow confusion to enter into the distinctiveness of the sexes. Yahweh intends for men to behave and appear as men. He intends for women to behave and appear as women.

Deuteronomy 22:5

A woman shall not wear man's clothing, nor shall a man put on a woman's clothing; for whoever does these things is an abomination to Yahweh your God.

The Gender Book contains the following pages.



Crossdressers

As a crossdresser, I have a true gender gift, the ability to live and relate comfortably in both the masculine and feminine worlds. That is how I chose my femme name, which means "gift from God."

Jane

The best word to describe that which is presented here is "confusion." God does not "gift" any individual to relate to the world as masculine and feminine. He has created some to relate to the wold as men, and some to relate to the world as women. In this sinful world there are men and women who deviate from Yahweh's design for humanity. Christ came to restore all mankind to Yahweh's divine order.

I Corinthians 6:10-11

Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals..., shall inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Yahshua Christ, and in the Spirit of our God.

Last week I was sent a link to an article about a newsman who announced that his gender identity was that of a woman. He began to dress in women's clothes, wear a woman's wig, and began hormone therapy. Three months later he claimed to have experienced a bizarre bout of amnesia where he reverted back to his male identity and could no longer even remember living as a woman.

I'm a guy again! ABC newsman who switched genders wants to switch back By TARA PALMERI

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He thought he was a woman trapped in a man's body — but it turns out he's "just another boring straight guy."

ABC News editor Don Ennis strolled into the newsroom in May wearing a little black dress and an auburn wig and announced he was transgender and splitting from his wife. He wanted to be called Dawn.

But now he says he suffered from a two-day bout of amnesia that has made him realize he wants to live his life again as Don.



Don/Dawn/Don Ennis

"I accused my wife of playing some kind of cruel joke, dressing me up in a wig and bra and making fake ID's with the name 'Dawn' on it. Seriously," Ennis wrote in a memo he posted to the newsroom bulletin board Friday, explaining his shock after he woke up from what he called a "transient global amnesia" last month...

"It became obvious this was not the case once I took off the bra — and discovered two reasons I was wearing one," he said, referring to his hormone-induced breasts.

"I thought it was 1999... and I was sure... that I was a man," Ennis said in the e-mail titled "Not Reportable, Very Confirmed."

"Fortunately, my memories of the last 14 years have since returned. But what did not return was my identity as Dawn," said Ennis, who had been wearing lipstick, skirts and heels.

"I am writing to let you know I'm changing my name . . . to Don Ennis. That will be my name again, now and forever. And it appears I'm not transgender after all.

"I have retained the much different mind-set I had in 1999: I am now totally, completely, unabashedly male in my mind, despite my physical attributes," he said.

"I'm asking all of you who accepted me as a transgender to now understand: I was misdiagnosed.

"I am already using the men's room and dressing accordingly," he noted.

"It's so odd to be experiencing this from the other side; as recently as last Friday, I felt I was indeed a woman, in my mind, body and soul...

"Even though I will not wear the wig or the makeup or the skirts again, I promise to remain a strong straight ally, a supporter of diversity and an advocate for equal rights and other LGBT issues including same-sex marriage."

Ennis had previously told friends that he suspected his sex mix-up happened because his mother gave him female hormones as a child that made him look and sound young to prolong a bit-part acting career, but he ended up developing breasts and started thinking he was a woman.

He explained he had gone to the National Institute of Health in Bethesda, Md., for testing last month to understand why his mind and body changed from male to female. He said he learned it was a hormone imbalance that could be fixed.

A week after he was discharged, his wife rushed him back to the hospital because he thought he was having a seizure and was experiencing a "drastic loss of memory."

Don added that he now feels "fantastic" as a man again.

And he said he hopes that with the hormone treatment and surgery, things will only get better.

Despite his short stint as a woman he told colleagues in the letter that he promises to remain "a strong straight ally and a supporter of diversity and an advocate for equal rights and other LGBT issues including same sex marriage."

He plans to change the gender and name on his driver's license, work ID and e-mail.

He called his three-month odyssey into the world of women "a tremendous gift..." [Source: http://www.nypost.com/p/news/national/guy again eKq3Jw6LjgsjpBdmZklrtM]

Does not the word "confusion" trumpet forth as one reads the article above? What is described is bizarre, aberrant, and, if I am not mistaken, Don Ennis' account is also very disingenuous. I find the account of being stricken with transient global amnesia very convenient. After all, he spent the previous three months sharing the women's bathroom with his female co-workers. I suspect some of them might have husbands who would not be too thrilled to hear that Don was "mistaken" about being a woman.

Stories such as this reveal the moral confusion that results when mankind departs from an identification of the natural order of God's creation. Yesterday it was reported that U.S. Army Private Bradley Manning, recently sentenced to 35 years in a military prison for exposing government secrets, has declared that he is transgender. He wants to serve his time in prison as a woman and has asked to be called Chelsea Manning.

It was reported that Manning experienced gender identity confusion prior to committing his

crimes. The media has been publishing a photo of Bradley Manning in a woman's wig, and wearing women's clothing.

This announcement has far reaching implications for both the military and civilian prison systems. Manning was assigned to prison at Fort Leavenworth. This is a male only facility. If the government acknowledges the gender he identifies with, he will have to be transferred to the Army's women's prison in San Diego. He would likely share a cell, bathroom and shower facilities with women.





Bradley/Chelsea Manning

It is not hard to imagine some alternative motives for his seeking this reassignment. Manning has suffered much abuse at the hands of his military prison guards already, including being forced to stand naked in front of prison staff, and to be kept in a cell with no clothing, or bedding, on the pretense that he might try to injure himself. As he is facing the next 35 years in prison, he may well believe he would be better off in a facility that houses women. How many more male prisoners might take the same tack for similar reasons, or even to have contact with female prisoners?

One fact that is revealed in the bizarre story of news editor Don Ellis is that therapists have no way to tell whether a person is truly a transsexual. The only thing they have to go by is the individual's testimony. If a man says they see themselves as female, or a female states that she sees herself as male, the therapist must take the person's word on the matter. Indeed, laws are now being passed that would bar a counselor or therapist from trying to dissuade an individual from such a view.

The entire prison system could soon be filled with added confusion, and increased moral debauchery, as men are assigned to women's prisons and vice versa. California recently passed a law requiring that public school students be permitted to use whatever gender's facilities they identify with. This means boys may go into the girl's restrooms, dressing rooms, and showers, and girls into the boy's. It takes little imagination to perceive that this will soon become the law for all citizens of the state of California, including those in prison. It is, after all, being trumpeted as a human right.

As tragic as it is to see society falling into such debauchery, and to realize that children are going to be subjected to increased sexual confusion and trauma, it is also disheartening to observe so many Christians who are being swept along on this tide of deceit. Many have bought into the lie that Christians are to not judge, but are to love without criticism, and to embrace even the most deviant behaviors as acceptable. For those who are confused about the subject of judging, I recommend the writing titled *The Issue of Judging*.

One of the foundational errors committed by the author of *The Gender Book*, is that gender is determined by you. He states that gender is "how you see yourself." This is a humanistic viewpoint, where the judgment and thoughts of man supercede all others. A correct view of gender is that it is who God declares you to be. Yahweh does not place male souls in female bodies, or vice versa. Yahweh is not the author of confusion. If you were born with a female body, your gender is female. If you were born with a male body, your gender is male.

Romans 3:4

Let God be found true, though every man be found a liar...

Yahweh declared, "Let us create man in our image, after our likeness." Yahweh does not change. He is not male one day, and female the next. When Yahweh took on human form to demonstrate to the world His image and likeness, He appeared in the form of a man. Yahshua is called the SON of God. He was born in a male body, and He lived His life as a man. There was never any deviation from this identity.

Hebrews 13:8-9

Yahshua Christ is the same yesterday and today, yes and forever.

The world has fallen under the influence of the great deceiver. When men say they are women, and women say they are men, they are deceived, rebellious, or both. It is a deceit of the enemy that leads humanity to believe that they can choose their own gender. There is pride evidenced in such words and actions, for men and women are attempting to re-create themselves according to their own thoughts and desires. They are rejecting the identity assigned to them by their Creator, and assigning themselves a new identity.

When Yahweh created each individual He had a specific plan for them. Our lives know peace when we are in harmony with Yahweh's design for our life. We are most healthy and fruitful when we conform to His design for our lives. To deviate from that design is to resign oneself to confusion. The last thing we read about the men of Sodom before Yahweh destroyed the city with fire, is that they were struck with blindness and confusion.

Genesis 19:9-11

But [the men of Sodom] said, "Stand back!" And they said, "This fellow came in to live here temporarily, and now he presumes to be our judge! Now we will deal worse with you than with them. So they rushed at and pressed violently against Lot and came close to breaking down the door." But the men [the angels] reached out and pulled Lot into the house to them and shut the door after him. And they struck the men who were at the door of the house with blindness [which

dazed them with confusion], from the youths to the old men, so that they wearied themselves groping to find the door.

Surely Yahweh does all things by design. In striking the men of Sodom with blindness He was demonstrating that their lust had blinded them. In causing them to be struck with confusion, He was revealing the disorder in their lives that had lowered them to the state of senseless beasts. Homosexuality was then, and is today, a departure from the character and nature of God.

Chapter 12



Macklemore and Ryan Lewis

Every day there is a new onslaught of propaganda by the advocates of homosexual behavior. This morning the news headlines were hyping the performance of Macklemore and Ryan Lewis at the Video Music Awards that were broadcast last night to tens of millions of viewers. The duo were nominated for six video awards, including *Best Video with a Social Message* for their song *Same Love* which they performed during the broadcast. The power of deception in this song is profound. Having Jennifer Hudson, a singer known for her Christian faith and good-girl persona, join them at the end of the performance was a triumph of wickedness. The song even includes scripture quotations to promote behavior that God abhors.

Following are two links. The first is for a video of the performance of the song at the VMA awards. The second is the official music video on YouTube that has more than 70 million views. The lyrics to *Same Love* are just below the video links.

http://www.mtv.com/videos/misc/948771/same-love-live.jhtml#id=1712039

http://youtu.be/hlVBg7 08n0

Same Love

When I was in the third grade I thought that I was gay,
'Cause I could draw, my uncle was, and I kept my room straight.
I told my mom, tears rushing down my face
She's like "Ben you've loved girls since before pre-k, trippin'"
Yeah, I guess she had a point, didn't she?
Bunch of stereotypes all in my head.
I remember doing the math like, "Yeah, I'm good at little league"
A preconceived idea of what it all meant

For those that liked the same sex
Had the characteristics
The right wing conservatives think it's a decision
And you can be cured with some treatment and religion
Man-made rewiring of a predisposition
Playing God, aw nah here we go
America the brave still fears what we don't know
And God loves all his children, is somehow forgotten
But we paraphrase a book written thirty-five-hundred years ago
I don't know

And I can't change
Even if I tried
Even if I wanted to
And I can't change
Even if I tried
Even if I wanted to
My love
My love
My love
She keeps me warm
She keeps me warm
She keeps me warm

If I was gay, I would think hip-hop hates me Have you read the YouTube comments lately? "Man, that's gay" gets dropped on the daily We become so numb to what we're saying A culture founded from oppression Yet we don't have acceptance for 'em Call each other faggots behind the keys of a message board A word rooted in hate, yet our genre still ignores it *Gay is synonymous with the lesser* It's the same hate that's caused wars from religion Gender to skin color, the complexion of your pigment The same fight that led people to walk outs and sit ins It's human rights for everybody, there is no difference! Live on and be vourself When I was at church they taught me something else If you preach hate at the service those words aren't anointed That holy water that you soak in has been poisoned When everyone else is more comfortable remaining voiceless Rather than fighting for humans that have had their rights stolen I might not be the same, but that's not important

No freedom till we're equal, damn right I support it

And I can't change

Even if I tried

Even if I wanted to

My love

My love

My love

She keeps me warm

She keeps me warm

She keeps me warm

She keeps me warm

We press play, don't press pause

Progress, march on

With the veil over our eyes

We turn our back on the cause

Till the day that my uncles can be united by law

When kids are walking 'round the hallway plagued by pain in their heart

A world so hateful some would rather die than be who they are

And a certificate on paper isn't gonna solve it all

But it's a damn good place to start

No law is gonna change us

We have to change us

Whatever God you believe in

We come from the same one

Strip away the fear

Underneath it's all the same love

About time that we raised up... sex

And I can't change

Even if I tried

Even if I wanted to

And I can't change

Even if I tried

Even if I wanted to

My love

My love

My love

She keeps me warm

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She keeps me warm

Love is patient

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It should not surprise the Christian that Satan will quote Scripture to advocate behavior that is detestable to God. He did so when he tempted the Son of God in the wilderness. Yahshua never fell for these deceptions, but the same cannot be said for many Christians today. Christ answered Satan's quotations of Scriptures with other words from the Bible that demonstrated that the behavior Satan was advocating was contrary to the will of God. This is a good tack for the disciples of Christ to take today. If a homosexual advocate tells you that love is patient and kind, suggesting that it is unloving to condemn homosexual behavior, you might remind them that in the same passage the apostle Paul also wrote "Love... does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth" (I Corinthians 13:6).

Furthermore, the Bible describes homosexuality as unrighteousness.

I Corinthians 6:9-10

Or do you not know that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals... shall inherit the kingdom of God.

All of these verses come from the same book in the New Testament that Macklemore and Lewis cite in their homosexual advocacy song, which Jennifer Hudson assisted in proclaiming at the VMA awards. All of these individuals are guilty of practicing deception to justify a behavior that God condemns. Yet, they have the temerity to say,

And God loves all his children, is somehow forgotten But we paraphrase a book written thirty-five-hundred years ago

Here is a literal (non-paraphrased) rendering of the words of the Bible.

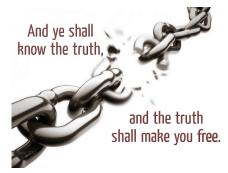
Leviticus 18:22 You shall not lie with a male as one lies with a female; it is an abomination.



The subtle message of the line *I'm not crying on Sundays* is a defiant proclamation that the person choosing the homosexual lifestyle will not be deterred, or disturbed, by the preaching of the Bible by people in church. Tragically, many will believe, and even sing along with, the words of this song, confessing that:

And I can't change Even if I tried Even if I wanted to And I can't change Even if I tried Even if I wanted to

Life and death are in the power of the tongue. Satan knows his craft well, and he is wrapping millions in chains of bondage that they cannot break. All the while he has fooled them into thinking that they are fighting for their "freedom." In their spiritual blindness, they are actually fighting to remain prisoners of their sinful passions. Christ came to set men free: free from the shackles of sin - not freedom to sin.



I have not enjoyed writing this series, and I am eager to bring it to a close. Yet, there are things that needed to be expressed, and some things that must yet be set down, before I can conclude. I want to turn at this time to the spiritual significance of homosexuality. I believe that every sin of the flesh has a corresponding sin in the spiritual realm. The Bible reveals many of these parallel transgressions. Not surprisingly, sexual sins of the flesh are frequently linked to spiritual transgressions. Throughout the Bible we find that God relates spiritual idolatry to the physical sin of adultery.

Ezekiel 23:37

Thus they have committed adultery with their idols...

Ezekiel 16:30-32

"How languishing is your heart," declares the Yahweh God, "while you do all these things, the actions of a bold-faced harlot. When you built your shrine at the beginning of every street and made your high place in every square, in disdaining money, you were not like a harlot. You adulteress wife, who takes strangers instead of her husband!"

Hosea 3:1

Then Yahweh said to me, "Go again, love a woman who is loved by her husband, yet an adulteress, even as Yahweh loves the sons of Israel, though they turn to other gods..."

We should not be surprised to find that sexual sins are symbolic of spiritual transgressions that pertain to the relationship between God and man. Yahweh has created this physical universe to reveal the hidden things of the spiritual realm. The relationship between a husband and wife, and the act of procreation that brings forth offspring, offer profound parables of the relationship between humanity and the Creator. The apostle Paul wrote of the divine mystery contained in the intimate union of a man and his wife.

Ephesians 5:25-33

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her; that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she should be holy and blameless. So husbands ought also to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his own wife loves himself; for no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ also does the church, because we are members of His body. For this cause a man shall leave his father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife; and the two shall become one flesh. This mystery is great; but I am speaking with reference to Christ and the church. Nevertheless let each individual among you also love his own wife even as himself; and let the wife see to it that she respect her husband.

Paul declares that we are members of Christ's body. Eve was formed from a remnant portion of Adam's body that was removed while he slept. Adam declared, "This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh; She shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." Adam had to be cast into a deep sleep in order for Yahweh to remove a portion of his body to form the woman. Similarly, we find that the Son of God, the Last Adam, had to sleep in the dust of the

earth in order for a bride to come forth. Christ surrendered His flesh and His blood in order to purchase a people for His own possession. He can now say, "This is flesh of My flesh, and bone of My bone."

The book of Genesis reveals the origins of the sexual union, and the process of bringing forth offspring. After the fall of man in the Garden of Eden, Yahweh pronounced His judgment. This judgment is often referred to as "the curse," but the word "curse" does not accurately describe God's words. What He spoke was actually the salvation and hope of mankind. There would be a long season of toil, and the man and woman would both know pain and sorrow, but the ultimate end of their experiences would be life.

Genesis 3:16-19

To the woman He said, "I will greatly multiply your pain in childbirth, in pain you shall bring forth children; Yet your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you." Then to Adam He said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree about which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat from it'; Cursed is the ground because of you; In toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life. Both thorns and thistles it shall grow for you; And you shall eat the plants of the field; By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, because from it you were taken; For you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

Paul said the mystery of the man and the woman is great. In it is contained a revelation of the relationship between Christ and His church. As we look at the words above in light of the relationship between Christ and His church, some profound insight comes forth. The only way in which the church can bring forth mature sons is through pain. Suffering has become a necessary component of birthing spiritual offspring.

Philippians 1:29

For to you it has been granted for Christ's sake, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake...

I Peter 5:10

And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish you.

Despite the fact that the church can only bring forth children through experiences of pain, she must still choose for Christ to rule over her. We find that there remains a remnant to this day whose desire is toward their heavenly Bridegroom. These ones choose for Yahshua to rule over them that He might obtain the sons that He desires. Yet, many eschew the pain and suffering. Many in the church do not share the Son of God's desire to have mature sons in His image. Therefore, they eschew suffering, choosing pleasure without pain.

In the natural realm, there are various ways in which men and women choose the pleasure of sexual intimacy without the pain that is incurred in bringing forth offspring. Many women enjoy the pleasures of sexual intercourse and then abort the baby in their womb. This has occurred

more than 50 million times in America in the last 40 years. More babies have been aborted in America than there are people in Canada, and more than twice the population of Australia.

Many women who do have babies are opting to escape the pain of childbirth by having medical procedures such as C-sections, or epidurals (spinal blocks). Science is only now coming to understand the changes that take place in a woman's body as she undergoes the stress and pains of childbirth. There are chemicals produced, and an interchange with the baby, that effects its future growth and well-being. Babies who are born through natural childbirth are on average healthier, and even have a greater bond to the mother, than those born by C-section or with the use of pain drugs. As you read through the following, I invite you to be alert to the spiritual parallels within the church.

Natural childbirth, also known as un-medicated birth, has many hidden benefits that more women of childbearing age should be aware of. In our society, giving pain medication for labor is so normal that most doctors assume a laboring woman will want it, and most mothers-to-be expect it. In fact, depending upon the hospital and region, pain medication rates are as high as 90 percent, with the vast majority of women choosing an epidural.

Generally, if there is a way around it, most women try and avoid the pain. Why be a martyr and suffer needlessly they ask? And that is exactly how I used to think right up until I got pregnant with my son. I always assumed I would just get an epidural. Like other women, I was terrified of the pain and I never even considered delivering naturally until a friend, who had given birth naturally, began listing its virtues.

Despite being in the natural health field, I had not really heard much discussion regarding the benefits of avoiding medication during labor. In retrospect, I should have made the connection since an epidural is a drug, and most drugs have side effects. However, the fear of labor pain was simply too strong to allow me to entertain any other thoughts. Yet, when I started to do some research on my own, which included reading books on midwifery and talking to women who had chosen natural childbirth, I started to realize there was another side to the story.

Due to the medical institutionalization of birth in North America, most women forget birthing is a natural experience that, in most cases, does not need medical intervention. Women have been delivering babies naturally for millennia. It is what our bodies were designed to do. Of course the reality that pain is involved in the process cannot be ignored. For this reason, the vast majority of women choose pain medication...

Let's look at the main reasons many women choose to have a natural childbirth.

Labor is Often Shorter

Epidurals and other pain relieving medications often lead to a slower delivery. Pain medications often interfere with the body's natural way of laboring and can slow down contractions. This increases total laboring periods. In addition, women often do not feel their contractions and do not know when to push. By not pushing at key times, or with adequate strength, they are not able

to facilitate the laboring process. They miss important opportunities to work with the rhythms of their bodies.

Epidurals Often Increase Use of Medical Interventions

Because epidurals disconnect women from the natural pushing action and prolong labor, doctors are prone to intervene in the slowed birthing process and may give a pitocin drip (a uterine stimulant) or use a vacuum or forceps to move the fetus through the birth canal. In addition, fetal monitoring may be necessary to study the fetus's heart rate. This usually requires an instrument to be attached to the baby's scalp. If there are issues related to the heart beat or other complications, a Cesarean-section may be done.

Although epidural use doesn't always cause these complications, it does increase the likelihood that interventions will be used.

Breastfeeding is Facilitated

Research shows babies born through natural childbirth are more alert and show more interest in breastfeeding once delivered. Many women don't realize the pain medication they receive is also passed on to their baby. Because of this, many babies are born slightly "drugged" from the pain medication. This can interfere with their innate suckling behavior that normally expresses itself shortly after birth. It is not unusual for babies, exposed to an epidural, to have difficulty with latching on and an uncoordinated suck/swallow response for hours, or even days.

When videotaped studies of newborn babies have been done, there has been a marked difference between those born to mothers who received pain medication and those who didn't. The fact that neither mom, nor baby, is medicated means natural instincts can emerge and the bonding that normally manifests between a mother and her baby can take place.

Natural Childbirth is Often Healthier for Mom and Baby

Because an epidural slows down labor, a woman is much more likely to be given a pitocin drip (uterine stimulant) to speed up contractions. The resulting contractions begin to come on so strong and fast that a woman has very little time to recover between them, leaving less oxygen to reach the fetus. This could damage the fetus's brain cells and possibly lead to neurological problems.

Epidurals in birthing women also increase the chance of fever which increases the likelihood antibiotics will be prescribed.

Faster Recovery Time

Women who planned natural childbirths often feel great for a short while after delivering their babies. Because no numbing drugs were used, and no tubes or needles were stuck into their body

parts, naturally birthing moms can get up shortly after labor if they desire, and walk around or take a shower.

The euphoric feeling in which many naturally birthing moms experience is caused by the release of endorphins in the body during labor. Endorphins are calming and pain-relieving hormones the body naturally produces when dealing with pain. Tests have shown a woman's body will not release nearly as many endorphins if a pain medication is utilized.

[Source: http://naturallysavvy.com/Nest/the-benefits-of-natural-childbirth]

Like women in America, more than 90% of the church is seeking to avoid the necessary pain that accompanies the birthing of new life. Whether the life is a newborn baby, or a spiritual son or daughter of God, pain is both normal and necessary. The avoidance of pain ALWAYS results in negative consequences. One consequence is that the delivery takes longer. The mother, by choosing to ease her own discomfort and pain, actually prolongs the time that the baby within her womb must struggle through the process of birth. There is certainly a spiritual parable here. It takes much longer to produce spiritual offspring in the image of Christ when pain is avoided.

A second consequence is that unnatural medical procedures are often called upon to facilitate the birth process. In the spiritual realm the doctors are often the ministers. Even as the use of forceps, or pitocin drips, can result in harm to the baby, so too do the efforts of ministers who seek to bring forth offspring without the church having to suffer.



A third consequence is difficulty in breastfeeding. Like babies born to mothers who took pain drugs, many new Christians are born "dazed," not fully alert. They are disoriented, and have trouble finding their way spiritually in life. They may lack a healthy appetite for the life sustaining milk of the word of God. They may look for sustenance in inferior manmade sources even as many parents supply their newborns with infant formula rather than the mother's breast milk.

Will not a spiritual child that is birthed in pain have a greater love for the church who labored to bring it forth? Will there not be a greater affinity between the new convert and the church who laid down their life, and embraced suffering, to secure its new birth? When the church avoids the pain of the cross it also lessens the bond of love between members.

One of the primary losses to the church when it seeks to avoid suffering, is that it cheats itself out of the "euphoria" that results after one has passed through a difficult trial. The Scriptures state

that "for the joy (euphoria) set before Him, Christ endured the cross." There is great joy that results, both in this age, and in the ages to come, for those who have endured suffering in obedience to Christ. Those who strive to avoid this suffering are casting away an immense joy that far surpasses the pain of these momentary and light afflictions.



I found it interesting that the article above contained the following line:

Why be a martyr and suffer needlessly they ask?

The word "martyr" is a Biblical one. Those who are called to be disciples of Christ are called "martyrs."

Acts 1:8

"And you shall be My witnesses [Greek - martus, martyrs] both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth."

Yahweh told the woman that bringing forth new life would be accompanied by pain. Can a woman cheat God and there be no consequences? There are always consequences to our decisions. In relation to natural birth and its associated pains, more consequences are being discovered all the time. The following quotation reveals a couple more benefits of natural childbirth.

Experts generally agree that most healthy, risk-free women should deliver their babies vaginally rather than by cesarean section, as it has benefits for both the mother and baby, like shorter hospital stays and fewer infant respiratory problems.

Now, Yale researchers said they've found another potential benefit of vaginal birth, claiming it triggers the production of a protein in babies' brains that may improve brain development.

Giving birth via c-section, on the other hand, may impair its expression...

Other recent studies on the impact of different birthing methods have focused on immune system function.

A 2010 study in the journal PNAS suggested that as babies travel through the vagina during

birth, they may pick up certain bacteria that could help protect them from future diseases. [Source: http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2012/08/08/natural-birth-protein n 1756911.html]

With these words I am seeking to establish in the reader's mind the significant parallels between this natural creation and the spiritual realm. Yahweh has designed the entire male/female relationship and reproductive process to show forth profound spiritual truths.

Men and women in the church show little differentiation from those in the world. A pleasure seeking, pain eschewing people are demonstrating physically what is occurring unseen in realms of the spirit. Abortion, adultery, homosexuality, all have their parallels in the spirit. In the next post, I will begin to examine the spiritual significance of homosexual behavior and what it reveals about the church today.

Chapter 13

ParablesBlog Responses



The previous post that spoke of the church's avoidance of pain, relating it to the subject of childbirth where so many women today are encouraged by obstetricians to use spinal blocks, pain medications, and even to give birth by caesarean section, struck a chord with many female readers of the blog, eliciting some insightful responses. Following are a few of the comments received.

Dear Pastor Herrin,

Your series Push Back has been a real eye opener. Yesterday I read an article about how gay rights activists use the African-American civil rights movement as their inspiration, they were influential in keeping a well-known gospel artist Donnie McClurkin from performing at the 50th anniversary of the March on Washington because he is vocal about how God delivered him from homosexuality and that it was a sin. The boldness and unapologetic way he stood up for Christ and your recent posts have ministered to me. I have struggled with a sodomite spirit since I was a child. I was exposed to pornography by my birth parents starting at the age of 2 and I was molested by a church member's relative when I was 7. Because of the pornography and molestation I became promiscuous at an early age. I struggled with lesbianism until Yahweh sent my Godmother to teach me the Biblical teachings of Yahweh and I admit I caused her great pain. Even though she didn't birth me in the natural, she birthed me in the spirit.

Your series Push Back has been especially forcing me to grow and deal with some things in the spirit that I have avoided because the pain has been so great and I have tried to avoid my issues. When I gave birth to my daughter, my gynecologist was a lesbian. I wanted to give birth naturally, but because my daughter was two weeks late I was induced. I had an epidural because I didn't think I could handle the pain. After my epidural, I developed a fever of 102 and had an infection which led to my daughter's heart rate going high which led to my cervix swelling shut, which led me to have an emergency C-section. When my daughter was born she had a fever and had to be on antibiotics for 2 days. I was unable to breast feed her because I was on antibiotics and pain medication because of my C-section. Afterwards, no one told me that I lost a lot of blood during my C-section and that an epidural puts your bowels to sleep. I didn't have bowel sounds or movement for six days. My colon started to die and I became extremely sick. I had to have emergency surgery where they found 4 perforations in my large intestine, they found that parts of my colon had died and other parts were starting to die and was leaking bile into my stomach. I spent 6 days in ICU (including my 29th birthday), I had to have an ileostomy (which

was reversed 4 months later) and I was never able to breast feed because of the powerful drugs I had to take, not to mention the financial toll it has taken on my family. I know that I have to deal with these issues and allow healing to take place. I used birth control and the morning after pill in the past, all these I have never dealt with until I read your series. It has provided so much hope and correction and delivering me from things that I have held onto because I felt that they are too painful to deal with, but I know that there are people like you, Donnie McClurkin, gcmwatch.com, and other ministries that speak the truth and encourage the saints to seek Yahweh and that Yahweh has the power to heal and deliver. Thank-you Pastor Herrin.

Sincerely,

A Sister in Christ

Brother Herrin,

I can totally relate to this post. I have two girls and my first one was born in a hospital and the second was a home birth. The difference was night and day. While researching for my home birth I learned the exact same things that you stated about the part of hormones during labor, and that was so amazing. I think one of the other ways that fear of the pain of childbirth is so great is from the flood of lies in the world through media. Movies and TV shows over-dramatize the labor experience as a situation that people have to freak out about. Spiritually from my experience, it was a wonderful time to fully lean on the Father for everything and trust in the fact that He provided me with everything to bring my child into the world. Now I am working on having that mindset everyday and it seemed so much easier to be in that place in labor than it is not being in labor!

Jane

Brother Joseph,

This series has been very enlightening. I wanted to share my experience regarding natural birth. I have only one son, born through a C-section I wasn't counting on. I was given the drug to stimulate contractions because I had none, which was excruciatingly painful, so much so that I couldn't hardly push and made it even worse. It took four+ hours of that pain without the pain relief of the epidural (at the end I was begging for it!) until the monitoring showed the heartbeats of my baby were not right and the C-section was decided.

After the birth, the baby just didn't latch to my breast, he just kept crying and sleeping, sleeping and crying, and I had no colostrum or milk for days. The worst thing they did at the clinic was hand me a baby bottle with formula. My son never wanted the breast again! Of course I only learned about the side effects of the epidural AFTER the birth.

If I had to live through this again, I would reject the uterine stimulants and pray for the contractions to come naturally and I would try not to get the epidural shot unless the doctor said a C-section was absolutely necessary (if my baby's life was at risk).

Carina

These testimonies reveal the powerful influence that society has upon the church. It is hard to conceive of a more important event in the life of a woman than giving birth to children. Yet, in this matter the church follows the pattern of the world, and the counsel of medical practitioners. Birthing children is often done for the convenience of the doctors involved, rather than with the health of the mother and baby in mind. Women are "scheduled" to be induced to begin labor at a time when it is most convenient for a doctor and medical staff. The woman is placed flat on her back with her legs in the stirrups so that she will be positioned for the obstetrician's convenience. There are numerous natural birthing positions for the woman, but they are not as convenient for

the attending physician.



Some Natural Birth Positions

One website relates the following information.

It amazes me everyday to see and hear about women who lay flat on their back while giving birth!

Sadly, though it's not their fault – it's what they're TOLD TO DO! Seriously, it goes against basic anatomy!!! ...

You see our birth canal is actually shaped like a "J" ... not a straight line... The baby doesn't just slide straight down and out. It comes down, then up and over the pelvis.



The birth canal is shaped like a "J"

Look at the picture carefully and you'll understand how that works. Actually, it seems utterly crazy to lay flat on your back with your legs up - expecting the baby to come out at all!

In fact, choosing to lie on your back as your main childbirth positions closes up your pelvic area by about 30%.

Plus if you think about it – you'll also have gravity working against you. This means when you're trying to push bub out, you're pushing down and then UP before he comes out – Can anyone say CRAZY!!!!!

[Source: http://traceyrose.com/childbirth-positions/]

A woman lying on her back to give birth makes delivery far more difficult for her and the baby. Why then is this the common way women in the Western world give birth? It is because it is the most convenient position for the attending physician. He/she can stand up straight. He/she doesn't have to bend over, or get down on his/her knees. To do so would be undignified for one who is a "professional" caregiver, and usually one of the more affluent and educated members of society.

If you think about it, almost all non-emergency procedures done in a hospital are performed at the convenience of the medical staff. It is little wonder that so many doctors recommend that their patients are either induced, or give birth via C-section. The incidence of C-section in the United States was 4.5% of all births in 1965, when rates were first measured. The rate reached 32.8% in 2010 and 2011. That is nearly a third of all births. This is insanity. Cutting open a woman's abdomen to deliver a baby is major surgery. The inner body is exposed to all manner of infectious elements, and fever resulting from an infection is a common result.

A woman receiving an epidural early on in labor dramatically increases the chance that she will have a C-section. Some studies have been done on the reason that C-sections have increased so dramatically, and one of the factors cited is for the convenience and profitability of the doctor.

Incentives to practice in a manner that is efficient for providers

Many health professionals are feeling squeezed by tightened payments for services and increasing practice expenses. The flat "global fee" method of paying for childbirth does not provide any extra pay for providers who patiently support a longer vaginal birth. Some payment schedules pay more for cesarean than vaginal birth. Even when payment is similar for both, a planned cesarean section is an especially efficient way for professionals to organize their hospital work, office work and personal life. Average hospital payments are much greater for cesarean than vaginal birth, and may offer hospitals greater scope for profit.

[Source: http://www.childbirthconnection.org/article.asp?ck=10456]

Despite such policies being a violation of the Hippocratic Oath, whose primary tenet is "First, do no harm," physicians are performing alarming numbers of these surgical procedures to the great detriment of mother and child.

As was mentioned in the previous post, there are a great many chemical interchanges between

mother and baby during labor and delivery when it occurs naturally. There are numerous biological and mental/emotional benefits as the mother experiences the pain of childbirth, and then experiences the joy of seeing a child enter the world.

John 16:21

A woman, when she is in labor, has sorrow because her hour has come; but as soon as she has given birth to the child, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world.

[NKJV]

This is a profound matter, going all the way back to the third chapter of Genesis where Yahweh declared that pain in childbirth would be the experience of the woman in this world. It is a serious issue for Christian women to seek to alter the natural order established by God. They do so to their own detriment, and to the detriment of their children.

Although I am unable to locate a study on the issue, the rise in the incidence of C-sections parallels the rise of homosexuality in America. Before you roll your eyes, and declare that I have truly gone crazy, I ask you to consider this matter prayerfully. Beginnings are a very important time in the life of an individual. Seemingly small alterations from the normal order of things at the beginning of a matter can manifest in large ways later in life. I am NOT suggesting that C-sections are wholly responsible for the parallel increase in homosexual behavior. Nor am I stating that everyone who was born by C-section will succumb to homosexual sin. What I would suggest is that Satan works along many lines, and that the increase in birth interventions, including pain relieving procedures and C-sections, have played a part in making a generation susceptible to gender confusion.

Certainly the outpouring of pro-homosexual propaganda by the government and the media bears a lot of responsibility for the increase of same sex attraction. Yet, Satan will wage an assault along numerous fronts in order to achieve his purposes. One of the fronts along which Satan has attacked is designed to erode away the profound gender identity of the woman as a mother and nurturer that is deeply rooted in the soul of a child that experiences natural childbirth and is nursed by their mother. By replacing natural childbirth with unnatural medical interventions, and then further disrupting the bond between mother and child by reducing, or eliminating breastfeeding, the gender distinctiveness, and feminine role of the mother, fails to solidify in the child's mind.

There are many things passed between the mother and child during labor and birthing. That which is communicated between mother and child is both physical, pertaining to the human body, as well as mental and emotional, pertaining to the soul. On the physical level, that which is passed between mother and child includes hormones such as oxytocin. Wikipedia contains the following statement.

Oxytocin plays roles in sexual reproduction, in particular during and after childbirth. It is released in large amounts after distension of the cervix and uterus during labor, facilitating birth, maternal bonding, and, after stimulation of the nipples, breastfeeding. Both childbirth and

milk ejection result from positive feedback mechanisms.

[Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Oxytocin]

Notice that it is stated that oxytocin is released in large amounts AFTER the distension of the cervix and uterus during labor. Due to medical interventions, such as C-sections, many women never experience this release of oxytocin. The mother's blood supply is tied to the baby through the umbilical cord. Whatever is released into her blood is consequently passed to the child during labor.



Conversely, if these beneficial hormones are hindered from being released to the woman, the baby is affected. Little consideration has been given by the medical profession to understand how the presence of pain in labor produces positive consequences for both mother and child. It is assumed that pain is negative and to be avoided, but this is not true. When Yahweh pronounced His judgment upon the woman in Genesis chapter 3, He was telling her what would be the natural course of bringing new life into the world. All things have been designed by Yahweh with purpose. When humanity seeks to circumvent Yahweh's they introduce chaos and disorder.

In 2003, Lisa Diamond, PhD had an article posted in *Psychological Review*, where she sets forth a model for sexual attraction that involves the hormone oxytocin. A reviewer of her study states:

Sexual desire is driven by the gonadal hormones of estrogens and androgens. Animal research indicates that attachment is mediated by the neuropeptide oxytocin...

[Source: http://www.apa.org/monitor/feb07/lovesnot.aspx]

"Attachment," another way of describing bonding and attraction between individuals, is "mediated," by oxytocin. Understanding that oxytocin plays a large role in shepherding a person's attachment to other individuals, both male and female, is it not proper to question what effect occurs when a mother and her baby do not experience one of the greatest releases of this hormone that one can know in life, a release that is triggered by the pain of labor and the experience of natural childbirth? What effect does this deprivation of oxytocin have on the child? Studies have shown that a baby born to a mother who used some form of pain medication, or who was birthed by C-section, will have difficulty bonding with its mother, and nursing may become problematic.

How many Christian women today are feeding their infants formula instead of breast milk? What are the consequences of doing so? Every decision a Christian makes bears consequences. The Bible states:

Hosea 4:6

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.



If a woman interferes with the natural bond between mother and baby, whether her child be a daughter or a son, the consequences later on in life can be immense. Breastfeeding is about much more than passing nutrients to the child. There is a familial bond being formed. An image of the woman/mother is formed in the mind of the child as one who is nurturing, life-giving, and protective. Gender roles are being developed as the mother establishes a pattern of femininity in the eyes of her nursing children. The following insightful statements are found on an Internet website.

In the Book of Ruth, a Jewish woman, Naomi, experiences the loss of her two adult sons, both of whom die childless. One of her daughters-in-law, the Moabite Ruth, remarries a relative of her late husband and has a son named Obed. Because Naomi has left no biological descendants, however, she adopts Obed as her own; the neighbours even declare, "There is a son born to Naomi." To cement the mother-child bond, Naomi [takes] the child and [lays] it in her bosom and [becomes] nurse unto it.

Now one might wonder how Naomi could nurse a baby when she had presumably borne her last child decades earlier. This occurred through a process called relactation, whereby a woman's breast can be stimulated by a child's sucking to produce milk again years after giving birth. In some poor countries today grandmothers may nurse a grandchild if the baby's mother dies. Even in the modern United States, feminist sociologist Pauline Bart – who is Jewish herself – writes of having milk reappear in her breasts after suckling her granddaughter.

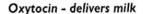
[Source: http://cynicsunlimited.com/2007/08/06/breastfeeding-in-the-bible/]

The idea of various women in a family sharing the duty of nursing a child may appear abnormal to people in western cultures, but this merely reveals how far society has deviated from that which God views as normal and healthy behavior. What is abnormal is going down to your local Walmart and purchasing a case of infant formula whose major ingredients are likely to be corn syrup solids, some derivative of highly processed cow's milk, and a variety of vegetable oils. Another common ingredient is cupric (copper) sulfate. The government lists cupric sulfate as a hazardous material. It is used as a pesticide. The Material Safety Data Sheet for this chemical says, "Do not ingest" also warning that it is a carcinogen (causes cancer). Yet this chemical is included in the list of ingredients for most of the mass produced infant formulas. For more information on the deleterious effects of infant formula, and the benefits of breastfeeding, see the

following links.

http://www.greenmedinfo.com/toxic-ingredient/infant-formula http://www.greenmedinfo.com/therapeutic-action/breastfeeding

The act of an infant suckling at its mother's breast causes a release of oxytocin in the mother, which in turn releases milk from the breast. Oxytocin is passed from mother to child through breast milk. It is the effect oxytocin has upon an individual that makes it so beneficial in establishing gender identity and the nurturing, comforting, protecting persona of the mother. Oxytocin is a "feel good" hormone. It has been described by many as the "trust hormone" because it engenders a sense of trust between individuals when it is expressed. Oxytocin is a "bonding" hormone, as it fosters a sense of oneness with the individual a person is with when it is manifested.





Take away the interchange of chemicals and hormones produced by natural childbirth, and rob a child of the experience of nursing at its mother's breast for a normal period of time, and there are bound to be consequences. In the Bible, women weaned their children at a much older age than most women do today, usually after 2-3 years of breastfeeding. It is uncommon to hear of a woman who nurses her child past one year of age today, and many do not make it nearly that long. The number of women who have forsaken homemaking to pursue a job, or career outside the home, makes nursing their children impractical. Many children are given infant formula from

the time of birth, never experiencing the health producing benefits of nursing at their mother's breast. What is perhaps even worse, is the gender confusion that results when the mother does not present herself as the role model God intended her to be.

There is a growing trend for men to be stay-at-home caregivers, and the responsibilities for nurturing the children are increasingly being shared among parents. What is being patterned in the child's mind when the father is holding the child and feeding it formula through a bottle? Such behavior was unknown in the Bible. A child received milk from the woman's breast. If a mother had problems providing milk, or the mother died or was absent for some reason, another lactating woman would be sought out to nurse the child. This is what occurred when Pharaoh's daughter found the baby Moses. She sought out a Hebrew woman to nurse the child, not knowing that the woman selected was Moses' own mother.

A study conducted in 2011 by Statistics Canada reported that men now account for 12 percent of stay at home parents. The change has been swift. The same report stated that in the 1970s one in a hundred stay at home parents were men. Today that number is one in eight. (Source below.)

http://www.theglobeandmail.com/report-on-business/economy/economy-lab/daily-mix/number-of-stay-at-home-dads-on-the-rise/article2065381/

To their own hurt, the church has failed to contemplate the consequences of departing from the divinely established order while conforming themselves to the ways of a world that lies in spiritual darkness. The role of being a keeper at home was assigned by God to the woman.

Titus 2:3-5

Older women likewise are to be reverent in their behavior, not malicious gossips, nor enslaved to much wine, teaching what is good, that they may encourage the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, to be sensible, pure, workers at home...

Without a doubt there are many factors that have contributed to the gender confusion present in society today. Christians, however, are not without responsibility. When the church conforms itself to the ways of the world, they are opening the door for a world of ills to enter. It is needful for those who fear the Lord to stop what they are doing, and to begin examining all of their life decisions carefully. All things need to be tested, even those decisions that seem totally insignificant.

As I look back upon my years of being a young father, and I consider the decisions and actions I made, there are many things I regret. I wish I would have been more aware of the consequences of every life decision. I regret that I did not seek the counsel of Yahweh in every decision, both large and small. As a minister whom Christ has appointed as a teacher to His body, I desire to spare others from similarly having the experience of looking back on their past with regret.

I had no teachers in the church to tell me that I should seek God about the method of childbirth I should recommend to my wife. I had no one to explain to us the ill effects of institutionalized childbirth, or the benefits of natural childbirth. There was no influence exerted by the body of

Christ to cause us to consider our ways carefully. Life seemed to be separated into spiritual and secular realms. Pregnancy and birthing children was viewed as part of the secular realm. Counsel was sought from medical professionals instead of God. What folly!

I believe that many of those who have fallen prey to homosexual temptations and desires in this hour were rendered more susceptible by the decisions their parents unwittingly made years earlier. This does not absolve the individual practicing homosexuality of responsibility. Rather, it suggests that there are others who also share responsibility. I am reminded of the following words of Christ.

Luke 12:47-48

"And that servant who knew his master's will and did not get ready or act in accord with his will, shall receive many lashes, but the one who did not know it, and committed deeds worthy of a flogging, will receive but few."

Ignorance does not absolve one of culpability. God's people should inquire of Him about His will in all things. Did you do evil in ignorance? It was still evil, and evil affects the lives of others. If there is one thing I would say to Christians in light of these things, it is "Consider your ways!" We need to STOP, and INQUIRE of Yahweh before we ACT.



There is an account given in the book Joshua, chapter 9, of a group of people who lived within the land of Canaan. They heard of the fame of Israel, and heard of their conquest of other peoples and cities. These people feared that they too would be wiped out by Israel, so they used deception to secure their deliverance.

These citizens of the city of Gibeon put on old clothes. They put patched wineskins on their donkeys. They carried with them moldy bread and provisions. They made it appear as if they had traveled a long journey of many weeks, or months, to reach Joshua and the elders of Israel. They then asked Israel to make a covenant of peace with them. Joshua and the elders were fooled by the disguise, and they made a covenant to not destroy the people, believing that they came from a far distant land. Soon afterwards the deception was exposed, but the damage had been done. The covenant had to be kept.

Yahweh was seeking to teach His people an important lesson. They should have inquired of Him

before acting. Yahweh would have exposed the lie. He would have told His people what to do, if only they had inquired. Christians today suffer many hurtful things because they do not seek Yahweh in all of their decisions. The answer may appear obvious to you. It may be something that you do not think requires deliberation. You need to inquire of God anyway.

There are many decisions you will make that will bear great consequences on the lives of your children. The most dangerous path is simply to go with the flow. It may seem to be the path of least resistance, but when the whole world is driving furiously toward moral collapse and a fiery judgment, it is unwise to follow them unheedingly. Question everything. Seek counsel daily from the Father.

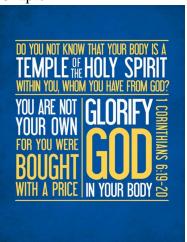
A matter that seems so innocent as whether to follow a doctor's prescribed advice for a pregnancy and birth may bear profound results for both your own life, and that of your child. Remember the reproach that is contained in Yahweh's description of the life of King Asa.

II Chronicles 16:12

And in the thirty-ninth year of his reign Asa became diseased in his feet. His disease was severe, yet even in his disease he did not seek Yahweh, but the physicians.

Of how many Christians can it be said that they did not seek Yahweh, but the physicians? Do not let this be the final testimony of your life.

Chapter 14



I began this series having discerned homosexuality to be an issue that Yahweh would have me to address with His people. The e-mail responses I have received thus far have revealed that this series has been timely, insightful, and challenging to many who read these posts. One of the remaining issues I want to address before wrapping up this series may be described as "intimate union."

Mankind is familiar with the intimate physical union of the man and woman. The sexual union is the focus of television shows, movies, romance novels, pornography, advertising, etc.. The world is being flooded with messages related to sexual union (most of them immoral), but it knows almost nothing about intimate union at other levels. Mankind was created to be a tri-part being as the following Scripture declares.

I Thessalonians 5:23

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your *spirit* and *soul* and *body* be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Yahshua Christ.

This series has focused on homosexuality, which is a perversion of intimate union at the physical (bodily) level. To understand how homosexuality deviates from Yahweh's design for creation, and why the Bible describes it as "unnatural," "depraved," "gross immorality," an "abomination," and going after "strange flesh," it would be helpful to understand Yahweh's design for intimate union at the level of spirit, soul, and body. Let us begin by looking at some Scriptures that refer to intimate union.

The apostle Paul, writing to the church of Corinth, speaks of the mysterious parallels between the physical union of a man and his wife and the spiritual union of Christ and the church.

I Corinthians 6:16-20

Or do you not know that the one who joins himself to a harlot is one body with her? For He says, "The two will become one flesh." But *the one who joins himself to the Lord is one spirit with Him.* Flee immorality. Every other sin that a man commits is outside the body, but the immoral man sins against his own body. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit

who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you have been bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body.

In the passage above, we have two of the three parts of man mentioned. Paul speaks of intimate union at the level of body, and at the level of spirit. Paul mentions the physical union of a man and a woman as being parallel to, and a type and shadow of, spiritual union between humanity and "the Lord." One could rightly say that the goal of creation is "HOLY union" of body, soul, and spirit.

Again, we are most familiar with intimate union on the level of the body. Because of sin in the world, mankind has greatly defiled the physical union that Yahweh designed to be regarded as holy.

Hebrews 13:4

Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled; for fornicators and adulterers God will judge.

This is a most serious matter with God. He will judge those who defile that which He ordained to be holy and pure. Mankind has always understood the sanctity of the marriage union. Even those in society who are strangers to the life of Christ have referred to the union of the man and woman as "HOLY matrimony." Traditional wedding vows begin with a statement similar to the following:

Dearly beloved: We have come together in the presence of God to witness and bless the joining together of this man and this woman in **Holy Matrimony**.

The holy character of the marriage union traces its source to the second chapter of Genesis.

Genesis 2:24-25

For this cause a man shall leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave to his wife; and they shall become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

In the act of sexual intercourse, the man and the woman become "one flesh" with each other. It is worthy of consideration that in all other settings and relationships, it is regarded as a shameful thing for a man or woman to expose their nakedness. Yet there is no condemnation from God, and no consciousness within the soul of man, that it is immoral, nor an unholy act, for a man and wife to see one another's nakedness. Yahweh has sanctified the intimate union of a man and his wife, declaring it holy.

Unholiness, and the judgment of God, enter in when the man or the woman go outside of the marriage to participate in intimate physical union with another. Paul states that "fornicators and adulterers God will judge." Fornication is sexual union outside of the marriage covenant. Adultery is sexual union with another person's spouse.

It is important to understand that marriage is a covenant, and that sexual union is an act of

covenantal intimacy. I have explored this subject in greater depth in the book *The Marriage Covenant*, but I will give a brief summary here.

Yahweh ordained that certain covenants should be sealed in blood, for "life is in the blood." These covenants were appropriately called "blood covenants." The Scriptures refer to the New Covenant inaugurated between God and man through the blood of Yahweh's Son. This is an inviolable covenant, for it is established in blood.

I Corinthians 11:25

In the same way He took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood..."

Hebrews 9:11-12

But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things to come, He entered through the greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this creation; and not through the blood of goats and calves, but through His own blood, He entered the holy place once for all, having obtained age-lasting redemption.

When God designed the creation, He did so with covenant in mind. He fashioned the bodies of the man and the woman so that a blood covenant would be enacted whenever a man knew a virgin sexually for the first time. The body is designed as a temple. There is a correlation between the Holy of Holies, the innermost and most sacred part of the Temple, and the reproductive organs of a woman's body. Even as there was a veil in the Tabernacle of Moses, and the Temple of Solomon, to guard the entrance to the Holy of Holies (or the Most Holy Place), so too has Yahweh placed a veil at the entrance to the woman's reproductive organs. This veil is called the "hymen." The word "hymen" literally means "veil."



When a virgin has sexual intercourse for the first time, the hymen is torn as the man penetrates the woman's flesh. The tearing of the hymen causes bleeding, and the man carries this blood on his covenant organ (male circumcision is a sign of covenant) into the woman's holy of holies.

The Veil of the Temple is Ripped

There is a great mystery contained in the sexual union of a man and his virgin bride, for Yahweh has designed this union to mirror the spiritual union of God and man that was inaugurated by Christ. When the High Priest entered beyond the veil to access the Holy of Holies, he always had to bring blood with him.

Hebrews 9:6-7

Now when these things have been thus prepared, the priests are continually entering the outer tabernacle, performing the divine worship, but into the second (the Holy of Holies) only the high priest enters, once a year, not without taking blood...

So too, we are told that when Yahshua died on the cross, His flesh being rent, that the veil guarding the Holy of Holies in the Temple in Jerusalem was rent in two.

Matthew 27:50-51

And Yahshua cried out again with a loud voice, and yielded up His spirit. And behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom...

Yahshua then ascended to the greater Temple in the heavens, entering into the Holy of Holies bearing His own blood.

Hebrews 10:19-20

Since therefore, brethren, we have confidence to enter the holy place by the blood of Yahshua, by a new and living way which He inaugurated for us through the veil, that is, His flesh...

This was the act that established the New Covenant of faith that replaced the Old Covenant of law. This is an inviolable covenant, a holy covenant, a covenant of blood. So too, Yahweh has designed the bodies of the man and the woman so that when the woman experiences first sexual union, and the man enters beyond the veil into her holy of holies, that a blood covenant is enacted.

This is why a man who raped a virgin under the old covenant of the Law was required to take the woman to be his wife. By being the first to engage in sexual union with the virgin, the man had enacted a blood covenant with her. He was bound to the covenant. It is a covenant of blood.

Deuteronomy 22:28-29

If a man finds a girl who is a virgin, who is not engaged, and seizes her and lies with her and they are discovered, then the man who lay with her shall give to the girl's father fifty shekels of silver, and she shall become his wife because he has violated her; he cannot divorce her all his days.

The same is true if a man seduced a virgin. He was required to pay the bridal dowry to the girl's father, and to take the girl to be his wife. The man has enacted a blood covenant with the virgin.

Exodus 22:16-17

And if a man seduces a virgin who is not engaged, and lies with her, he must pay a dowry for her to be his wife.

Under the covenant of the Law, only one man could ever go beyond the veil in the Temple and enter the Holy of Holies. This man was the High Priest. When the High Priest died, another High Priest would be appointed, and then only he could enter beyond the veil. This limitation of one living man having access to go beyond the veil is mirrored in the relationship Yahweh has established between a man and his wife. The apostle Paul speaks of it in this way.

Romans 7:2-3

For the married woman is bound by law to her husband while he is living; but if her husband dies, she is released from the law concerning the husband. So then if, while her husband is living, she is joined to another man, she shall be called an adulteress; but if her husband dies, she is free from the law, so that she is not an adulteress, though she is joined to another man.

The woman's body is most holy. Only one man may enter her body, that man being her husband. As long as the woman's husband is living, no other man may engage in sexual union with her. To do so is an egregious violation of the will of Yahweh. The woman is committing adultery if she allows another man to enter into sexual union with her as long as her husband is living. It matters not whether the woman gets a divorce. The commandment of Christ is that if a woman leaves her husband, she must remain single, or be restored to her husband.

I Corinthians 7:10-11

But to the married I give instructions, not I, but the Lord, that the wife should not leave her husband (but if she does leave, let her remain unmarried, or else be reconciled to her husband)...

Yahweh desires holy union among His creation. The word "holy" (kadosh in the Hebrew language of the Old Testament, and hagios in the Greek language of the New Testament) bears the meaning of "something declared clean, set apart as sacred." Such is the will of Yahweh for the bodily union of the man and woman. It is to be preserved in purity and viewed s holy.

Under the covenant of the Law, the penalty for adultery (violating the holy physical union of a man and his wife) and the penalty for idolatry (violating the holy spiritual union between man and God) were the same. They were both punishable by death. The judgment of God, that those who defiled either the holy physical union, or the holy spiritual union, were worthy of death, reveals the seriousness of the matter.

Under the New Covenant, there has been NO alteration of the way in which Yahweh views violations of holy union. The difference between the Old and New Covenant is that there is now forgiveness of sin through the atoning blood of Christ. With very tragic consequences, many Christians are confusing forgiveness with the idea of acceptance. Neither idolatry, adultery, or any other violation of holy union, have become acceptable in Yahweh's sight. The apostle Paul reproves such errant thinking among believers.

Romans 6:1-2, 12-14

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace might increase? May it never be! How shall we who died to sin still live in it?... Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body that you should obey its lusts, and do not go on presenting the members of your body to sin as instruments of unrighteousness; but present yourselves to God as those alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. For sin shall not be master over you, for you are not under law, but under grace.

Speaking specifically of violating the sanctity of the human body by engaging in sexual immorality, the apostle has even stronger words of warning.

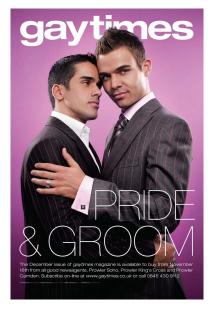
I Corinthians 3:16-18

Do you not know that you are a temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If any man destroys the temple of God, God will destroy him, for the temple of God is holy, and that is what you are. Let no man deceive himself.

Bear in mind as you consider the above words, what has been shared here about the body being designed as a temple. There are many ways to defile the temple, and one of the most grievous ways is through engaging in sexual immorality and debauchery. In this same letter to the church in Corinth, the apostle informed the saints that much of the sickness and death among them was due to the judgment of God upon their unrestrained sinfulness. Having informed them that many are suffering sickness and death in this life for walking in a manner unworthy of Christ, Paul informs them that the judgment of God will also be manifested in the age to come.

I Corinthians 6:9-10

Or do you not know that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, shall inherit the kingdom of God.



The satanic agenda to redefine marriage to include same sex couples is an act of tremendous pride and rebellion in the eyes of Yahweh. Celebrating homosexuality is no different than celebrating adultery. Both will call forth the judgment of Yahweh. The marriage covenant is not a manmade ordinance that can be altered at the will and whim of man. It has been divinely instituted to be a holy union between a man and his wife; a relationship whose fidelity is guarded, and whose purity is sacrosanct.

As this series has reported, homosexual relationships are highly promiscuous, even among gay "couples." Same-sex unions violate the design of Yahweh for holy union in numerous ways. When a man sticks his sexual organ into another man's mouth or anus, is this a holy union? Absolutely not! The apostle Paul described it well when he wrote:

Romans 1:26-27

For this reason God gave them over to degrading passions; for their women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural, and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error.

Same sex union is an "indecent act" driven by "degrading passions." Same sex unions lack another attribute of those unions Yahweh has blessed and declared holy. They cannot produce life. When Christ entered beyond the veil in the Temple in the heavens, He purchased with His own blood spiritual life for all mankind. Similarly, when a man enters beyond the veil to enter into physical union with his wife, he is engaging in an act that has the potential to bring forth new life. Homosexual unions CANNOT produce life. On the contrary, they are barren, and they lead to sickness and death.

The works of Satan and the works of Christ are obvious. They are contrasted in the following Scripture.

John 10:10

"The thief comes only to steal, and kill, and destroy; I came that they might have life, and might have it abundantly."

As one examines the fruit of faithful, heterosexual unions between men and women, and contrast them to sexual union among homosexuals, it becomes evident that the former unions are a fountain of life while the latter are bereft of life and bring forth death. Following is an excerpt from an article titled *The Negative Health Effects of Homosexuality*.

Anal intercourse has been linked to a host of bacterial and parasitical sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS...

Human Papillomavirus (HPV) is "almost universal" among homosexuals. According to the homosexual newspaper The Washington Blade: "A San Francisco study of Gay and bisexual men revealed that HPV infection was almost universal among HIV-positive men, and that 60 percent of HIV-negative men carried HPV."

HPV can lead to anal cancer. At the recent Fourth International AIDS Malignancy Conference at the National Institutes of Health, Dr. Andrew Grulich announced that "most instances of anal cancer are caused by a cancer-causing strain of HPV through receptive anal intercourse. HPV infects over 90 percent of HIV-positive gay men and 65 percent of HIV-negative gay men, according to a number of recent studies..."

Hepatitis: A potentially fatal liver disease that increases the risk of liver cancer.

Hepatitis A: The Mortality and Morbidity Weekly Report published by the CDC reports: "Outbreaks of hepatitis A among men who have sex with men are a recurring problem in many large cities in the industrialized world."

Hepatitis B: This is a serious disease caused by a virus that attacks the liver. The virus, which is called hepatitis B virus (HBV), can cause lifelong infection, cirrhosis (scarring) of the liver, liver cancer, liver failure, and death. Each year in the United States, more than 200,000 people of all ages contract hepatitis B and close to 5,000 die of sickness caused by AIDS. The CDC reports that MSM (Men having Sex with Men) are at increased risk for hepatitis B...

Gonorrhea: A CDC report documents "significant increases during 1994 to 1997 in rectal gonorrhea . . . among MSM..." In 1999 the CDC released data showing that male rectal gonorrhea is increasing among homosexuals amidst an overall decline in national gonorrhea rates. The report attributed the increase to a larger percentage of homosexuals engaging in unsafe sexual behavior.

The incidence of throat Gonorrhea is strongly associated with homosexual behavior. The Canadian Medical Association Journal found that "gonorrhea was associated with urethral discharge... and homosexuality (3.7 times higher than the rate among heterosexuals)." Similarly, a study in the Journal of Clinical Pathology found that homosexual men had a much higher prevalence of pharyngeal (throat) gonorrhea--15.2 percent compared with 4.1 percent for heterosexual men...

Syphilis: A venereal disease that, if left untreated, can spread throughout the body over time, causing serious heart abnormalities, mental disorders, blindness, and death... According to the CDC, "transmission of the organism occurs during vaginal, anal, or oral sex." In addition, the Archives of Internal Medicine found that homosexuals acquired syphilis at a rate ten times that of heterosexuals.

The CDC reports that those who contract syphilis face potentially deadly health consequences: "It is now known that the genital sores caused by syphilis in adults also make it easier to transmit and acquire HIV infection sexually. There is a two to five fold increased risk of acquiring HIV infection when syphilis is present..."

Gay Bowel Syndrome (GBS): The Journal of the American Medical Association refers to GBS problems such as proctitis, proctocolitis, and enteritis as "sexually transmitted gastrointestinal syndromes." Many of the bacterial and protozoa pathogens that cause GBS are found in feces

and transmitted to the digestive system: According to the pro-homosexual text Anal Pleasure and Health, "[s] exual activities provide many opportunities for tiny amounts of contaminated feces to find their way into the mouth of a sexual partner... The most direct route is oral-anal contact."

Proctitis and Proctocolitis are inflammations of the rectum and colon that cause pain, bloody rectal discharge and rectal spasms. Proctitis is associated with STDs such as gonorrhea, chlamydia, herpes, and syphilis that are widespread among homosexuals...

HIV/AIDS Among Homosexuals. The human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) is responsible for causing AIDS, for which there exists no cure.

Homosexual men are the largest risk category. The CDC reports that homosexuals comprise the single largest exposure category of the more than 600,000 males with AIDS in the United States. As of December 1999, "men who have sex with men" and "men who have sex with men and inject drugs" together accounted for 64 percent of the cumulative total of male AIDS cases...

A paper delivered at the Fourth International AIDS Malignancy Conference at the National Institutes of Health reported that homosexual men with HIV have "a 37-fold increase in anal cancer, a 4-fold increase in Hodgkin's disease (cancer of the lymph nodes), a 2.7-fold increase in cancer of the testicles, and a 2.5 fold increase in lip cancer..."

Homosexuals with STDs Are at an Increased Risk for HIV Infection. Studies of MSM (Men having Sex with Men) treated in STD clinics show rates of infection as high as 36 percent in major cities. A CDC study attributed the high infection rate to having high numbers of anonymous sex partners: "[S]yphilis, gonorrhea, and chlamydia apparently have been introduced into a population of MSM who have large numbers of anonymous partners, which can result in rapid and extensive transmission of STDs." The CDC report concluded: "Persons with STDs, including genital ulcer disease and nonulcerative STD, have a twofold to fivefold increased risk for HIV infection."

Anal Cancer: Homosexuals are at increased risk for this rare type of cancer, which is potentially fatal if the anal-rectal tumors metastasize to other bodily organs.

Dr. Joel Palefsky, a leading expert in the field of anal cancer, reports that while the incidence of anal cancer in the United States is only 0.9/100,000, that number soars to 35/100,000 for homosexuals. That rate doubles again for those who are HIV positive, which, according to Dr. Palefsky, is "roughly ten times higher than the current rate of cervical cancer..."

Lesbians are at Risk through Sex with MSM: The homosexual newspaper The Washington Blade, citing a 1998 study in the Journal of Infectious Diseases, reported that "the study's data confirmed previous scientific observations that most women who have sex with women also have had sex with men..." Lesbians have more male sex partners that their heterosexual counterparts. A study of sexually transmitted disease among lesbians reviewed in The Washington Blade notes: "Behavioral research also demonstrates that a woman's sexual identity is not an accurate predictor of behavior, with a large proportion of 'lesbian' women reporting sex with (often high

risk) men." The study found that "the median number of lifetime male sexual partners was significantly greater for WSW (women who have sex with women) than controls (twelve partners versus six). WSW were significantly more likely to report more than fifty lifetime male sexual partners..."

"Exclusive" Lesbian Relationships Also at Risk. The assumption that lesbians involved in exclusive sexual relationships are at reduced risk for sexual disease is false. The journal Sexually Transmitted Infections concludes: "The risk behavior profile of exclusive WSW was similar to all WSW." One reason for this is because lesbians "were significantly more likely to report past sexual contact with a homosexual or bisexual man and sexual contact with an IDU (intravenous drug user)."

Cancer Risk Factors for Lesbians. Citing a 1999 report released by the Institute of Medicine, an arm of the National Academy of Sciences, the homosexual newspaper The Washington Blade notes that "various studies on Lesbian health suggest that certain cancer risk factors occur with greater frequency in this population. These factors include higher rates of smoking, alcohol use, poor diet, and being overweight." Elsewhere the Blade also reports: "Some experts believe Lesbians might be more likely than women in general to develop breast or cervical cancer because a disproportionate number of them fall into high-risk categories."

Sexually Transmitted Diseases Among Lesbians. In a study of the medical records of 1,408 lesbians, the journal Sexually Transmitted Infections found that women who have sexual relations with women are at significantly higher risk for certain sexually transmitted diseases: "We demonstrated a higher prevalence of BV (bacterial vaginosis), hepatitis C, and HIV risk behaviors in WSW as compared with controls."

Compulsive Behavior among Lesbians. A study published in Nursing Research found that lesbians are three times more likely to abuse alcohol and to suffer from other compulsive behaviors: "Like most problem drinkers, (91 percent) of the participants had abused other drugs as well as alcohol, and many reported compulsive difficulties with food (34 percent), codependency (29 percent), sex (11 percent), and money (6 percent)." In addition, "Forty-six percent had been heavy drinkers with frequent drunkenness."

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The article above goes on to discuss the greater prevalence of violence, mental health problems, and suicide among homosexuals. It also mentions that homosexual men have a shorter life expectancy than their heterosexual counterparts. In one major Canadian city, a study revealed that homosexual males have a life expectancy 8 to 20 years below that of heterosexual males. All of these facts demonstrate the truth of the apostle Paul's words, "women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural, and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts and *receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error*."

Even having fallen under the curse of sin, the creation favors behavior that Yahweh has declared to be righteous and holy. Sinful behavior increases sickness and leads to early death.

Homosexuality violates the natural order of the creation.



The image above reveals the irrationality embraced by advocates of same-sex marriage. Heterosexual marriage did not come into being by a vote of man. It was ordained by Yahweh. The design of creation promotes the holy union of a man and woman and penalizes all violations of the same. A vote by homosexuals will not make AIDS go away. A vote by advocates of same-sex unions will not result in offspring being born to gay couples. Men and women cannot vote and change the judgment of God upon that which He declares to be a sinful lifestyle. Voting to legalize homosexual marriage is a fool's errand. Can man contend with his Creator and prevail?

Psalms 2:1-5

Why do the nations rage, and the people plot a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against Yahweh and against His Anointed, saying, "Let us break their bonds in pieces and cast away their cords from us." He who sits in the heavens shall laugh; The Lord shall hold them in derision. Then He shall speak to them in His wrath, and distress them in His deep displeasure.

The will of Yahweh will be accomplished. Holy unions will once again be esteemed as holy. Those who have warred against God, uttered reproaches against His name, and striven to loose themselves from His bonds, will repent in dust with bitter tears. All the nations are less than a drop in a bucket before the eyes of Yahweh. An hour is coming when every knee will bow, and every tongue will confess, that only in Yahweh are righteousness and strength. Those who have been angry with God will be ashamed.

Chapter 15



What are the spiritual roots of homosexuality, and how is homosexuality mirrored in the spiritual life of the church? These are important questions to consider, for to return to a condition that God can bless, men and women must recognize how they got so far afield of the will of Yahweh.

Rome was a very sensual society in the time of Christ and His apostles. The power and affluence of Rome led to tremendous decadence. Thus we find the apostle Paul, in his letter to the church in Rome, addressing the subject of homosexuality. Wealth, and an inordinate emphasis upon leisure activities and pleasure, have often led to the corruption of societies throughout history. It is not coincidental that America is a world leader in promoting the homosexual lifestyle. America prides itself as the world's last superpower. America is renowned for its affluence, its great wealth, with all the attendant luxuries. Americans have given themselves to every form of entertainment and sensuality, and they have exported the same to the nations of the world.

The prophet Ezekiel describes the sin of Sodom and the cities round about her.

Ezekiel 16:49-50

"Behold, this was the guilt of your sister Sodom: she and her daughters had fulness of pride, abundant food, and careless ease, but she did not help the poor and needy. Thus they were haughty and committed abominations before Me. Therefore I removed them when I saw it."

We know that among the abominations of Sodom was homosexuality, for the story of the destruction of Sodom, Gomorrah, and the cities of the surrounding plain, are recorded in Genesis chapters 18 and 19. The men of Sodom were very aggressive in their homosexual lust, and sought to sexually ravish visitors to their city. Abraham's nephew Lot understood the peril that awaited any strangers who entered Sodom's gates. When two messengers from Yahweh visited the city, intending to spend the night in the town square, Lot pressed the men to come stay in his home for their own safety. The men of Sodom surrounded Lot's home and demanded that he send the visitors out so that they could abuse them sexually. The evil reputation of the citizens of

Sodom serves as the origin of the word *Sodomite*, and the description of homosexual behavior as *sodomy*.

As Yahweh informs us through the prophet Ezekiel, Sodom's problems began with her affluence. When Yahweh gives a people an abundance it is so that they might be a blessing to others. The citizens of Sodom, however, were selfish. They showed no concern or compassion for the poor and needy. They took their abundance and spent it selfishly upon their own lusts. One can perceive the same attitude at work in America, and in the churches of the nation.

When I was twenty years old I made a trip from Oregon to Georgia, a distance of more than 3,000 miles. I was returning home to my parent's house, and I had limited funds to get me there. I had purchased an old van some weeks earlier. I was about halfway home when I had a tire blow out. The van had custom rims with locking nuts that required a specially designed socket to remove them. I realized that I did not have the necessary socket, so I could not change the tire. I ended up having to call a tow service to bring the van into the nearest town to have the tire replaced.

This was an expense I had not foreseen, and most of my remaining gas money was spent on this repair. I made it perhaps 500 miles further, but still had a thousand miles to go, when I ran out of gas money. I stopped in a town and sold some personal possessions at a pawn shop, but I only received about 40 dollars. I continued driving until my gas gauge was empty and so was my wallet.

I found myself in a mid-sized town that was located along the Interstate highway. I decided to seek out a church in the town and ask them if they could help me to get home. I drove up to a large church with a beautiful new building. The church facilities were expansive. They had a beautiful sanctuary, a large office complex, a gymnasium with a full size basketball court and inside bleachers. It was evidently a very affluent church.

I went into the church office and spoke to a secretary, explaining my predicament. She said the head pastor was out of town that day, but she would get the assistant pastor to speak to me. I repeated my story to the assistant pastor. He responded by telling me that the churches in the town contributed to a fund that was administered by the local police department, and these funds were intended to help motorists who were stranded, such as myself. He gave me directions to the police department, and I made my way over there, with my gas gauge showing empty.

At the police department, it was confirmed that the town's churches did contribute to a fund to help motorists in need, but I was told that the churches donated so little to this fund that it was exhausted by the first week of every month. The police department said there were no funds available to help me, so back I went to speak to the assistant pastor once more.

In the course of speaking to this minister, he began telling me about the magnificent building they had just recently completed. He told me that they had spent millions of dollars on it (this was at 1981 prices). Yet, when I pressed him again for help, he said that he did not have the authority to disburse church funds for people in need, and he reiterated that the head pastor was

unavailable. Nor did this Christian man express a willingness to provide me help out of his own pocket.

Upon entering the church building I had to cross through the gymnasium which also served as an auditorium for the youth. I had noticed a group of youth present in the building, and it turned out that they were there to practice for a play. I was unaware throughout this process that these young people, all of whom appeared to be school-age teenagers, were watching and overhearing my conversation with the church secretary and assistant pastor.

Having failed to receive any assistance from this minister, I turned around to walk out to my van, having no idea what I would do next. As I walked through the auditorium some of the teenage youth stopped me. One of them spoke up and said that they had overheard my conversation with their assistant pastor. They said they were ashamed and embarrassed that he would not help me. These young people then began pulling money out of their wallets and pockets and they were able to scrape together about \$40 dollars which they gave to me. With this money I was able to make it the rest of the way home. I drove up at my parent's house with no money left and only fumes in my gas tank.



My experience with the staff of this affluent church had a profound impact upon me. I was very much reminded of the following words of Scripture:

Matthew 25:42-46

"I was hungry, and you gave Me nothing to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me nothing to drink; I was a stranger, and you did not invite Me in; naked, and you did not clothe Me; sick, and in prison, and you did not visit Me." Then they themselves also will answer, saying, "Lord, when did we see You hungry, or thirsty, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not take care of You?" Then He will answer them, saying, "Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me."

In the eyes of Yahweh it was a great failure for the adults of this church to spend millions of dollars on buildings that have no eternal value, while refusing to give a very small amount of money to a young son of God who was stranded in a strange city far from his home. The root of this transgression was selfishness. The church members could personally enjoy the grand buildings they had constructed, but they perceived no material benefit in the act of caring for the

poor and the needy.

A few years later I was speaking to an elder at a church I attended in Georgia. He was a man I admired much for his sincere faith. He told me of an experience he had while serving as a deacon at the First Baptist Church in the town nearby. The church had collected a significant sum of money in their bank accounts, and it was assigned to the deacons to decide what to do with the money. The church did not need any new buildings. It was not growing in numbers. The building itself was in very good repair, having had significant work done on it just a few years earlier.

This Christian man whom I respected suggested that the deacons use the money to help the needy in their town. The other deacons balked at this suggestion. They considered this money to be the "church's money." They argued that it should be spent on the church. After discussing the matter, the majority of the deacons voted to use the money to remodel the sanctuary, when there was no actual need to do so.

Whether men and women recognize the fact, this is where homosexuality first takes root. The first manifestation of homosexuality is selfishness, attended by an absence of concern for others. Some years back in a post to the Parables Blog I shared that homosexuality is a physical manifestation of self love. It is man in love with his own image.



Narcissus by Caravaggio

The Bible states:

Philippians 2:3-8

Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind let each of you regard one another as more important than himself; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others. Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Yahshua, who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Yahshua said, "Greater love has no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." The

essence of love is sacrificial giving and concern for others. Ezekiel states that the inhabitants of Sodom did NOT help the poor and the needy. They were consumed with self-love. This is a distortion of the inner character of a mature man in the image and likeness of God. Yahweh created mankind to be selfless givers, loving, compassionate, and quick to assist the poor and the needy. The residents of Sodom acted like pleasure gluttons. They had wealth, abundance of food, and fulness of pride. In their self-focus, they became haughty and began to commit abominations, while growing callous to the welfare of others. They began to treat visitors to their city as objects of lust. When their transgression became full, they were so estranged from the natural love of God which manifests as care for one's neighbor that they sought to abuse, assault, and violate visitors to their city.

Those familiar with the tale of Narcissus recognize it as a homosexual tale. Greek men were known for their widespread homosexual behavior. Adult men particularly preyed upon young boys. The story of Narcissus was intended as a lesson to young boys who would spurn the advances of older homosexual men. As the fable goes, a young man named Narcissus repeatedly spurns the male suitors that come to him. One of these men is Ameinias, who commits suicide, after having his sexual advances rejected by Narcissus. Before he dies, Ameinias entreats Nemesis, the goddess of divine retribution, to punish Narcissus, causing him to know the pain of unrequited love.

In answer to the prayer of Ameinias, Nemesis causes Narcissus to fall in love with his own reflection in a pool of water. Narcissus tries to seduce the young man he sees in the reflection of the water, only realizing that it is his own image when he tries to kiss the image he sees.

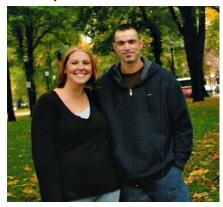
As myths go, this Greek fable contains some seeds of truth that are profound. In the story we see linked together the themes of self-love and homosexuality. We also find suicide as an integral part of the tale. As has been shared earlier in this series, suicide occurs at a much greater rate among homosexuals than heterosexuals. Suicide is linked to depression, and one common cause for depression is an inordinate attention upon self. Many people become despondent when they believe their life is unsatisfactory. When happiness, or some passion or desire of the soul is denied them, they become morose, and this leads some, like Ameinias, to suicide.

One other aspect of this tale, is how selfishness manifests in an absence of concern for others. Ameinias claimed to love Narcissus, yet he prayed that Narcissus might be cursed. The Greeks, as do people today, have confused passion with love. Love seeks the welfare of others. Love does no harm to a neighbor. Love is not easily provoked. Love keeps no record of wrongs done. Love does not seek its own. There is a great difference between lust and love. Ameinias lusted after Narcissus, and lust is also found at the roots of homosexuality today.

The attitude of the citizens of Sodom, and the attitudes expressed in the tale of Narcissus, are found among practicing homosexuals today. There is tremendous selfishness among homosexuals, and an absence of love and concern for others.

In an earlier post in this series I reported that homosexuals are seeking to coerce Christian business owners to violate their conscience. They are attempting to force Christians to embrace

homosexuality, and to endorse homosexual practices such as gay marriage. A sister in Christ recently sent me an update on the story of a Christian couple who ran a bakery. Aaron and Melissa Klein operated a business in Oregon called Sweet Cakes by Melissa. When they turned down a request to make a cake for a homosexual wedding, the lesbian couple sued them. Gay activists then made the couple's lives a nightmare as they drove away the couple's customers, and they harassed this small bakery's suppliers until they refused to sell to them.



Aaron and Melissa Klein

The Klein's also became the target of homosexual aggression, receiving many vicious e-mails and telephone calls.

One emailer wished for the couple's children to fall ill. Another expressed hope that Mr. Klein should be shot and even raped, The Blaze reported. And yet another wrote: "Here's hoping you go out of business, you bigot."

[Source:

http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2013/sep/2/christian-bakers-who-refused-cake-order-gay-weddin/]

The Kleins ended up having to close their bakery, and move their operation to their home. Yet, homosexual selfishness, and mistreatment of others, is not limited to Christians. In various reports that I have read as I have been researching this series, one fact that has often been repeated in a variety of studies, is that homosexuals are frequently engaging in unprotected sex with others. Many homosexuals know they are infected with a disease (HIV/AIDS) that has no cure, whose treatment is expensive and the side effects of the treatment may lead to numerous health problems, and the disease will quite possibly lead to an early death of the person infected, but they choose not to disclose to their sexual partners that they are infected. This is the epitome of selfish behavior.

Grossly selfish acts begin with lesser acts of selfishness. Over time the conscience becomes seared until a person begins to treat others with an absolute indifference to their welfare. The Bible states, "Love does no wrong to a neighbor" ("Romans 13:10). Homosexuals speak much about being free to "love" whomever they wish. Yet, in pursuit of their unnatural passions, homosexuals are causing great injury to others. They are spreading sickness and death. They are preying upon youth and confused adolescents. They are precipitating an increase of mental

illness, depression, and suicide. They are inducing others to violate their conscience, which is a selfish and evil act.

The citizens of Sodom progressed from manifesting a selfish attitude regarding their affluence and leisure, to committing abominations. Similarly, America has been growing in its attitude of selfishness for generations. There was a time when a majority of Americans practiced charity toward others. Neighbors cared for one another. The poor and needy in communities were cared for by churches and the local citizens rather than government agencies. Statistics have consistently shown that the poor give far more as a percentage of their income than the wealthier members of society.

Poor are the most charitable

Those in the lowest U.S. income group give the largest percentage of their incomes to charity. Figures for 2007:

Income groups	Lowest	Second	Third	Fourth	Highest	All
Average income*	\$10,531	\$27,674	\$46,213	\$73,460	\$158,888	\$63,091
Income group limit	\$19,301	\$36,070	\$57,944	\$91,297	N.A.	N.A.
Giving as percent of income	4.3%	2.5%	2.7%	2.0%	2.1%	2.2%
*Pretax © 2009 MCT Source: McClat	chy analysis c	of U.S. Bureau	of Labor Stati	stics data	Graphic: Ju	dy Treible

The figures above do not show the true extent of the gap between the poorest, and the most wealthy members of society. The associated article reported that undocumented foreign laborers, who are predominantly poor, send billions of dollars annually back home to support their families, but these figures were not included in the calculations. The poor are also far more likely to manifest faith in God than those who are wealthy. This is a truth attested to in the Scriptures.

James 2:5-6

Listen, my beloved brethren: did not God choose the poor of this world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who love Him? But you have dishonored the poor man. Is it not the rich who oppress you...

The city of San Francisco, California, has the greatest number of homosexuals of any major city in America. Many things can be discerned by taking a look at this modern day incarnation of Sodom. Like Sodom, San Francisco is affluent. In May of this year it was reported that the median home price in the city had passed one million dollars, making it one of the most expensive cities in which to live in America. San Francisco is a center for the tech industry. It is a high income region. Nevertheless, it ranks in the bottom quarter of U.S. metropolitan areas in the percentage of income given to charity.



The graphic above

reveals that out of 366 metropolitan areas in the United States, San Franciscans came in at number 286, giving on average only 3.9% of their income to charity. 78% of American cities gave a higher percentage of their income to the needs of others.

San Francisco is renowned for its hedonistic lifestyle. Residents live for pleasure. San Francisco has more restaurants and bars than any other city in America. There are more bars in San Francisco than in Las Vegas, and San Francisco far outpaces every other American city in the number of restaurants per capita. The second place community, Fairfield County, Connecticut, had one third fewer restaurants per capita than San Francisco. See article:

http://sanfrancisco.grubstreet.com/2012/08/sf-most-restaurants-bars-per-capita-ranking.html

The Bible declares that Sodom was renowned for its abundance of food. What is remarkable about San Francisco is that these restaurants are not predominantly fast food, such as McDonalds. San Francisco is renowned for its multicultural cuisine. The people of the city like variety, and they are willing to pay exorbitant prices for it. An attention to eating and drinking are part of the culture of Sodom.

Luke 17:28-29

"It was the same as happened in the days of Lot: they were eating, they were drinking, they were buying, they were selling, they were planting, they were building; but on the day that Lot went out from Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all."

Yet, the most startling sign of San Francisco's selfish, hedonistic, attitude is revealed by the fact that the city has the lowest percentage of children of any large city in America. (The residents of San Francisco cannot blame the cost of raising children as the reason for their lack of charitable giving.)



The CHILDFREE Life - When having it all means not having children

A community's attitude toward children reveals a lot about their moral character. Some may think that the wealthy would tend to have more children, for they can afford them. The opposite is actually true. The affluent are far more likely to be focused upon living a materially obsessed life that views children as a hindrance to their pursuit of selfish pleasure. This topic was the subject of a *Time* magazine article this month (pictured above).

Children are increasingly viewed as an interruption, an unwanted burden, and an intrusion upon a life devoted to the pursuit of pleasure. Raising children requires self-sacrifice. It is the antithesis of selfish living. It is little surprise then, that the city with the highest percentage of homosexuals in the nation also has the fewest children. Homosexuality is at its heart, a selfish lifestyle.

The low number of children in San Francisco is not an anomaly. The three cities with the greatest concentration of homosexuals on the West Coast are San Francisco, Seattle, and Portland. They also are the three cities with the least children per capita. The 2010 census showed that just 13.4 % of San Francisco's 805,235 residents are below the age of 18. There is actually a higher percentage of people aged 65 and older (13.6%) than there are children in San Francisco. For comparison purposes, the 2010 census for the city of Dallas, Texas, a comparatively conservative southern city with a far greater religious influence, revealed that 26.6% of the population was under the age of 18. This is double the rate of San Francisco. NPR aired a program that discussed the absence of children in San Francisco. The broadcast begins, "Imagine a city that is for the most part, without children. That's what the future looks like in San Francisco. It already has the lowest number of kids per capita of any big city in America. Now, a new study shows that nearly half of the young families still living in San Francisco are planning to move within the next three years."

A selfish, hedonistic, homosexual city is not a good place to raise children. What then will be the result of the government's and media's constant advocacy of homosexuality in America? America's future can be seen in San Francisco. It will become a barren land, devoid of children.

It will be a land of rampant consumerism, where the pursuit of pleasure leads ever increasing numbers of people to choose to forego having a family and raising children.

It is not coincidental that the murder of babies in the womb, and the removal of homosexuality as a mental disorder from the American Psychiatric Association's publications, occurred in the same year, 1973. Both actions spring from the same root, which is selfishness. Both share a disregard for the life, health, and welfare of others. Both have led to tremendous societal ills in the last generation.

For those who care to ponder it, these same trends can be observed in the church. A church that is increasingly focused on comfort, ease, and pleasure, will make few converts. A church that rejects the cost of discipleship, suffering, and self-sacrifice will prove unable to bring forth children. The church is becoming a barren playground, focused on entertainment, always planning the next food-fest. Bible classes are being replaced with Starbucks. Truth is being cast away in favor of attractive deceptions.

Like Sodom, America's days are numbered.

"They were eating, they were drinking, they were buying, they were selling, they were planting, they were building; but on the day that Lot went out from Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all."

Chapter 16



Anarchy Poster

The promotion of homosexuality plays an important role in Satan's agenda to establish a tyrannical one-world government over all the earth. It is well to ever keep in mind that Satan is a deceiver who deceives the WHOLE world (Revelation 12:9). There are legions of men and women who give themselves to the service of Satan, not perceiving that they are being lied to by the one they serve. Satan promises mankind "freedom," but his true purpose is to enslave humanity.

The Olympics are a Luciferian forum where Satan broadcasts his messages to a global audience. The most recent Olympics in London broadcast the word "FREEDOM" to the world during its closing ceremonies.



The word "FREEDOM" is spelled out directly underneath the pyramid shaped light towers. The uppermost part of the pyramids light up, being a symbol of the all-seeing eye of Lucifer/Horus. The pyramid is an interesting symbol, one utilized by Freemasonry, a Luciferian organization. The pyramid signifies that the higher up one goes in Satan's organization, the fewer people there are, for the pyramid gets progressively narrower as it rises. With the light emanating from the top of the pyramid, it also signifies that those at the base, who represent the vast majority in Satan's kingdom, are kept in the dark. They are fed deceptions and lies. Significantly, during the Olympic closing ceremony, the word "FREEDOM" was underneath the pyramids. This indicates that a promise of freedom is being employed by Satan to deceive the masses of humanity in this hour.

The proponents of the homosexual agenda speak much of freedom. They say all mankind ought to have the liberty to live life as they choose. If men and women desire a same-sex partner, they should not face any censorship. If they want a same-sex marriage, then neither government nor society should deny them this opportunity. Satan cunningly persuades mankind that homosexual behavior is a matter of personal liberty, of freedom to live as one chooses. The reality, however, is vastly different.

As we have seen, the homosexual lifestyle is a culture of death. Death was emphasized throughout the Olympics from the Opening Ceremonies that featured children in hospital beds, to a fractured image of John Lennon's head that was assembled by individual participants. (Lennon, along with the other members of the Beatles, participated in deviant sex, including homosexuality.) At the Olympic ceremony there was a British singer named Sande (pronounced Sandy), and an evil character named "Hook." "Assembling" these disparate pieces of the puzzle together we have a forewarning of the death of children at Sandy Hook Elementary School that occurred four months later.



George Michael - Death's Head - Worshiping Satan?

Displayed on the floor where George Michael was performing were newspaper headlines. One prominent heading bore the words "Tired of Life."



Tired of Life

The deceit of Satan is that he is forever presenting himself as the friend of mankind, an advocate for humanity. This is the disguise he wore in the Garden of Eden when he deceived Eve into eating of the forbidden fruit. He acted as if he were her friend, intimating that Yahweh did not have her best interests at heart. The serpent suggested that the commandment of Yahweh was a restriction of Eve's liberty, holding her back from self-fulfillment.

Satan is still plying this same deceit, for it continues to prove eminently effective. He suggests to men and women that Yahweh is arbitrarily resisting their pleasure, hindering their fulfillment in life by forbidding homosexual relationships. The truth is that Yahweh is seeking to protect mankind, for the fruit of homosexuality is physical and spiritual death. Under the guise of "FREEDOM" Satan delivers men and women to death. In their blindness, foolish humanity believes Satan is their friend and Yahweh is their enemy.

Satan's message of freedom induces mankind to cast off the authority of God. Satan leads men and women to become anarchists. An anarchist is one who rejects outside government, demanding personal freedom to live according to their own self-determination. Homosexuality and anarchy have a strong link to one another. Many anarchists are homosexuals, and many homosexuals are anarchists. This is not surprising, for the homosexual is in open rebellion against God's government. It follows logically that the homosexual would rebel against all lesser forms of government that would impinge upon their liberty to live the life they choose. Once rebellion takes root in one's heart, there is little to stop it from spreading to every corner of a person's life.

The 2nd Psalm speaks of the rebellion of man against the rule of God.

Psalms 2:1-3

Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against Yahweh, and against His anointed, saying, let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.

Since the Garden of Eden, mankind has been attempting to cast away the bands of divine government and the cords of restraint that Yahweh has placed upon them. Like a petulant child pitching a tantrum, man is determined to do things his own way.



The homosexual agenda serves a purpose that few have understood. It is a an important step in bringing forth a one world government. In order for Satan's human emissaries to establish a global government of absolute oppression and control, they must first weaken the governments of the nations. To accomplish this they are fomenting sectarian violence, fracturing nations into multiple warring factions. This produces societal instability and greatly weakens the power that is inherent in a unified people.

The global elite, through their puppet rulers in the U.S. and NATO, have been practicing a policy of national destabilization in the Middle East. They have sown discord among sovereign nations. They have overthrown governments in Iraq, Afghanistan, Egypt, Libya, (and soon to be Syria). In their place, the nations have been left without any strong central government. There has been constant infighting among factions. The policy of the global elite is to divide and conquer, to weaken resistance by sowing strife among brethren.

In the past couple of decades America and the European nations have embraced a new, open policy toward foreign immigrants that has let to the growth of large population segments that are not integrating with the nations they are entering. This has been observed in France, and other European nations, as a Muslim minority has refused to assimilate into French society. They have maintained their own communities, implemented their own laws, and have been the source of repeated riots and social unrest. This accelerated influx of foreigners follows a policy designed by the global rulers to weaken the unity of nations. A nation that is filled with sectarian conflict is ill prepared to resist outside threats.

As the President and the media in America have been deliberately provoking racial strife by making polarizing, and racially charged statements, about Trayvon Martin/George Zimmerman, Henry Gates, Jr., etc., they have been promoting this same sectarianism in America. The same has occurred with the Occupy Wall Street protests, which were covertly initiated by the government through left wing organizers.

Occupy Unmasked

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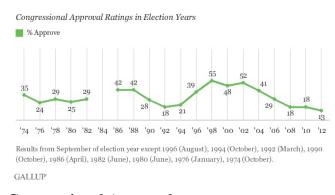


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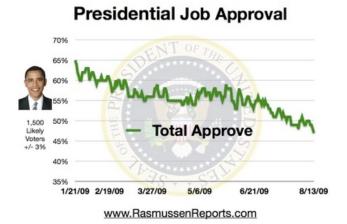
Whether America and other nations are divided among religious, cultural, racial, social, or economic lines, the goal of the global elite is to divide that they might conquer. A unified people are hard to overcome, but when a nation fractures into warring factions that cannot, or will not, work together, they become ripe for subjugation by an outside power that seeks to enslave them.

It is therefore, in the interests of political leaders who serve their global, financial masters, to sow division among their own people. In this way the sovereign nations can be broken, conquered, and a new global government established. A key facet of the global agenda to establish a one-world government, is to cause people to become increasingly discontent with the governments of their individual nations.

Consider how often the media is posting graphs and poll numbers showing how dissatisfied the people of America are with the performance of Congress, and the President. Keep in mind that the media is controlled by the global elite. Why would the global elite keep reminding the people that there is such dissatisfaction with government? It is because they WANT the people to be dissatisfied with government, in order that the form of government that exists might be overthrown and a new global government instituted.



Congressional Approval



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There is a global war being waged covertly by the emissaries of Satan. They are working on multiple fronts to weaken the power of the people of sovereign nations, and to destroy the power of unified governments, so that a New World Order might be established. One aspect of this war is to promote anarchy, a disrespect for all government. The homosexual agenda plays a significant role in this battle. Homosexuals are inherently predisposed to reject government control over their lives. When homosexuals gain influence in a society, or obtain significant numbers, anarchy results.

The Bible reveals the truth of this assertion. On two occasions in the Old Testament we read of societies that had large numbers of homosexuals. In both instances these societies descended into lawlessness and anarchy. The first account is found in the book of Genesis as it relates the anarchy that existed in Sodom.

Genesis 13:13; 19:4-11

Now the men of Sodom were wicked exceedingly and sinners against Yahweh... Now before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, both old and young, all the people from every quarter, surrounded the house. And they called to Lot and said to him, "Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may know them carnally..." Then they said, "This one came in to stay here, and he keeps acting as a judge; now we will deal worse with you than with them." So they pressed hard against the man Lot, and came near to break down the door. But the men reached out their hands and pulled Lot into the house with them, and shut the door. And they struck the men who were at the doorway of the house with blindness, both small and great, so that they became weary trying to find the door.

The men of Sodom, Gomorrah, and the cities of the surrounding plains, had given themselves over to debauchery. They had cast off the restraint of Yahweh, rebelliously choosing to engage in sexual behavior that both nature and God's law declare to be unnatural. Having seared their consciences, they became rebellious toward all rule, and anarchy resulted. The men of Sodom would have raped both Lot and the angels who had come under the protection of his roof, had not the angels struck the men with blindness.

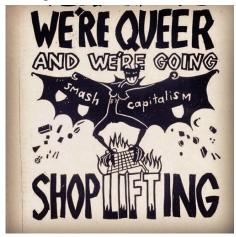
We observe this same breakdown of societal restraint, and a descent into lawlessness, in the book of Judges chapters 19-21. The passage is too lengthy to cite, but I encourage the readers who are unfamiliar with the account to read these chapters. To summarize, a Levite was traveling with his concubine through land belonging to the tribe of Benjamin. He intended to spend the night in the town square of one of the cities, when a citizen of the land took him into his home. Just like what occurred in Sodom, a group of homosexual men surrounded the house and demanded that the owner send out the man so they could have sexual relations with him.

Judges 19:22

The men of the city, certain worthless fellows, surrounded the house, pounding the door; and they spoke to the owner of the house, the old man, saying, "Bring out the man who came into your house that we may have relations with him."

The man sent his concubine out instead, and the men of Benjamin sexually ravished the woman

all night, leaving her outside the home where she died. These are the only two Biblical accounts of societies where homosexuality had become commonplace. In both instances, lawlessness, a casting off of all restraint, occurred. The populations of these areas descended into anarchy.



I perceive the promotion of anarchy to be one goal of Satan and his human servants. A people who reject law, and who despise authority, will not be able to maintain a strong government. Such a people are ripe for overthrow, and to be conquered by another power, even a foreign dictator. The paradox of what is occurring in the nations, is that a people clamoring out for personal liberty and freedom are positioning themselves to become subject to the most tyrannical government that the world has ever known. Having become slaves to their own passions and evil desires, they will soon become slaves to human and angelic masters.

The subjugation of humanity is all the more easily accomplished when men have no respect for government. When anarchy is the rule of each man's heart, submission to government is anathema. This leaves a people in a fractured and weak state. Chaos rules. Poverty results. Business cannot prosper. Infrastructure decays. Mankind descends into misery, and nations become easy prey for Satan's cabal of global elite.



Moral laws, rather than being the bane of mankind's liberty, are actually an aid to freedom. Remove moral laws, and a people will not remain free very long. The mass of citizens who are being swept up in the crusade for homosexual rights in America and other nations are unwittingly

setting the stage for their own conquest. Under the mantra of Freedom, they are sowing the seeds of their soon coming captivity. A nation cannot flourish without a strong regard among the citizenry for legitimate government order.

The war that is being waged against Yahweh's definition of marriage is one battle in this war, and a significant one. The family is the basic form of government among any people. The husband is head of the wife. The parents have authority over their children. Destroy this foundational level of government in a nation, and all the higher levels of government will be left tottering.

America's collapse is assured. When President Obama was swept into office on a wave of popular support, he promised the people "change." Since he has been elected, he has been bring great changes to society. He has been a tireless promoter of homosexuality. He has forced the U.S. military to openly embrace homosexual members in the ranks. He has championed gay rights, and is seeking to redefine marriage to include same-sex partners. This is the type of change that destroys a nation.

For a brief moment, Americans are celebrating the uninhibited freedom that is being guaranteed to them as a basic human right. The party atmosphere will not last long, however. As Americans are distracted by their perversions, the adversary is working covertly to overthrow the Constitutional form of government that has guaranteed the freedoms of Americans for centuries. Poverty, suffering, and a loss of liberty are coming. Americans have chosen their friends unwisely. By rejecting Yahweh and His anointed, and embracing Satan, they have taken fire into their bosom. It cannot be long now until the nation erupts in flames of destruction.



Jude 22-23

And refute so as to convict some who dispute with you, and on some have mercy who waver and doubt. Strive to save others, snatching them out of the fire; on others take pity but with fear, loathing even the garment spotted by the flesh and polluted by their sensuality.

[Amplified Bible]

Numerous readers have written to inquire about how Yahweh would have them relate to people involved in homosexual behavior. Encounters with homosexuals are becoming more common. Some Christians find themselves working with homosexuals at their place of employment. Some have family members that are homosexuals. Increasingly, believers are encountering other professing Christians who say homosexuality is acceptable. Is there a difference in the manner in which believers should relate to Christians and non-Christians who are engaging in, or supportive of, homosexual relationships? The Scriptures provide clear counsel on the matter.

I Corinthians 5:9-13

I wrote you in my letter not to associate with immoral people; I did not at all mean with the immoral people of this world, or with the covetous and swindlers, or with idolaters; for then you would have to go out of the world. But actually, I wrote to you not to associate with any so-called brother if he should be an immoral person, or covetous, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or a swindler-- not even to eat with such a one. For what have I to do with judging outsiders? Do you not judge those who are within the church? But those who are outside, God judges. Remove the wicked man from among yourselves.

The passage of Scripture above reveals that there is a difference in how Christians are to interact with immoral people (which includes those engaged in homosexuality) in the church, and outside of the church. Christians ARE instructed to judge the evil in their midst. Christ laid out clear instructions on how church discipline is to be carried out.

Matthew 18:15-17

"If your brother sins, go and reprove him in private; if he listens to you, you have won your brother. But if he does not listen to you, take one or two more with you, so that by the mouth of two or three witnesses every fact may be confirmed. And if he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a

tax-gatherer."

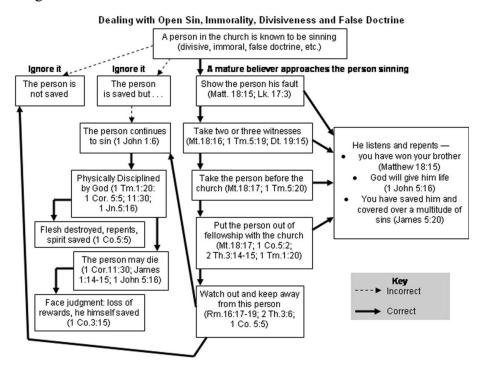


Diagram of Church Discipline

(Note that the dashed line indicates an incorrect response. The solid line, a godly response.)

The expression, "let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax-gatherer" parallels Paul's counsel to not associate with immoral brethren, and to not even eat with them. The church has fallen into profound error as they have failed to "rightly divide" the word of God. A significant number within the body of Christ focus on a limited number of Scriptures that warn Christians against judging others. Verses such as the following are repeated ad infinitum.

Matthew 7:1-5

"Do not judge lest you be judged. For in the way you judge, you will be judged; and by your standard of measure, it will be measured to you. And why do you look at the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' and behold, the log is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye."

Contrary to many people's belief, this passage is NOT telling Christ's disciples to forego judging. It is a warning against hypocritical judgment. Yahshua is warning men and women that they cannot judge others by a strict and unforgiving standard, and judge themselves by a more lenient measure. This matter is clarified in other passages.

Matthew 5:7

"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy."

James 2:13

For judgment will be merciless to one who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.

Christians are repeatedly enjoined to demonstrate humility in their interactions with others. If we recognize that "all have sinned and have fallen short of the glory of God," and that "we all stumble in many ways," then we should manifest patience and mercy when we observe others sinning. This does not imply that Christians should tolerate sinful behavior in others, nor make peace with it. Rather, the Christian should always be mindful that when they stand before the throne of judgment they will desire for God to demonstrate mercy to them. Therefore, they should leave room for repentance, and restoration of fellowship, for their brothers and sisters who stumble in sin.

Throughout the New Testament there are just as many admonitions instructing Christians to exercise judgment, as there are cautions about judging others. It is the responsibility of believers to consider the whole counsel of God that they might arrive at the mind of Christ on this matter. I have for many years had a writing posted that seeks to obtain balance, and bring forth understanding, from the many diverse Bible passages that speak about judging. I encourage those who wish to discern this matter to study this writing.

The Issue of Judging

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Both Christ and the apostle Paul make it clear that if a professing believer is engaged in immoral behavior, those who are spiritual are to confront the sinner with the intent to restore them to the path of life.

Galatians 6:1

Brethren, even if a man is caught in any trespass, you who are spiritual, restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness; each one looking to yourself, lest you too be tempted.

The heart of this matter is well summarized in the commandment to "speak the truth in love" (Ephesians 4:15). As Christians we cannot choose love over truth, nor choose truth over love. The Bible NEVER sets truth and love in contradiction to one another. It is a deceit of Satan that the world, and a growing number in the church, are acting as if truth and love are mutually exclusive of one another. Truth and Love are both manifestations of Yahweh's character. A world that has truth, but no love, would be unbearably harsh. A world that has love, but no truth, would devolve into chaos, corruption, and unrepentant degeneracy.

The greater trend among Christianity today is to embrace love while eschewing truth. This is manifested in the "do not judge" mentality demonstrated by so many. Such believers are essentially advocating the abandonment of truth. Those who would say that a Christian has no right to judge men and women engaged in homosexual behavior, are denying the truth. Yahweh has declared such behavior to be unnatural, immoral, and that those who do such things are worthy of death (Romans 1:26-32).

Knowing that God has testified in His word that those who participate in homosexual behavior will not inherit the kingdom of God (I Corinthians 6:9-10), it is neither truthful, nor loving, to refuse to warn those who transgress in this area of the consequences of their actions. The Christian who by their words and actions leads the homosexual to believe that God will wink at their sin, and who infers that there will be no negative consequences of this immoral behavior, is behaving in a false manner. Yahweh will hold them accountable if in an attempt to "get along" they refuse to be light and salt in the midst of a dark and decaying world.

One of the ways that Christians lead others to conclude that Yahweh tolerates homosexual behavior, is by continuing in fellowship with Christians who are engaged in this immoral lifestyle. Some believers have family members who profess to be Christians who are known to be involved in immoral behavior. Neither Christ nor the apostle Paul makes any distinction between a family member who claims to be a believer, or a non-family member. The requisite response is the same. Let them be as a tax-gatherer or a Gentile. Do not associate with them. Do not even eat with them.



Some in reading this will argue that this seems unreasonably harsh, especially if the transgressor is a son or daughter. What would truly be harsh is for the child to remain unrepentant all their life and suffer the judgment of God. By refusing to fellowship with the sinner, the intent is to make known to them the seriousness of their transgression. It is to lead them to repentance. Those who put familial bonds above obedience to God are transgressing against the instructions of Yahweh and His Christ.

Luke 14:26

"If anyone comes to Me, and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be My disciple."

Some have described the type of love demanded by God as "tough love." We should bear in mind that the love of God did not supercede His righteous judgment even when it came to His own Son. There was no shortcut to obtaining salvation for mankind, and atonement for humanity's sin. The Son of God had to pay the penalty of sin for mankind on the cross. Sin is a *deadly* serious matter.

What are Christian parents communicating to their children when they observe their children

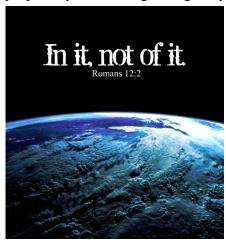
living an immoral lifestyle, yet they continue to fellowship with them, and to break bread with them? The message that is conveyed is that sin is no big deal. The fear of God is diminished in the eyes of the child, and this makes their eventual repentance and restoration to God all the more unlikely.

What if the child is not a professing Christian, but the parents are? Is the situation different? To answer the question, one needs to understand the role of authority. Authority is granted by God to uphold His government. Thus, we find in the Old Testament that parents were required to demand moral behavior of their children, or subject them to discipline.

Deuteronomy 21:18-21

"If any man has a stubborn and rebellious son who will not obey his father or his mother, and when they chastise him, he will not even listen to them, then his father and mother shall seize him, and bring him out to the elders of his city at the gateway of his home town. And they shall say to the elders of his city, 'This son of ours is stubborn and rebellious, he will not obey us, he is a glutton and a drunkard.' Then all the men of his city shall stone him to death; so you shall remove the evil from your midst, and all Israel shall hear of it and fear."

The Law of Moses existed in an environment where the judgments of God were able to be carried out on a national level. Israel's form of government was a theocracy (God rule). Later it became a monarchy, which is why Yahweh told Samuel that the people were not rejecting the prophet by demanding a king, they were rejecting God as their ruler.



Christianity exists as a spiritual kingdom. The pattern is "first the natural, then the spiritual." Yahshua stated that His kingdom was not of this world. Christianity, therefore, is not involved with the rule of any nation upon the earth today. It cannot carry out judgment on the citizens of a nation as Israel's leaders were required to do in the Old Testament. This is affirmed in Paul's words to the believers in Corinth. "For what have I to do with judging outsiders? Do you not judge those who are within the church? But those who are outside, God judges."

The church has authority over its members. It is charged with carrying out church discipline. Capital punishment in the church is excommunication. An immoral person may be restricted from further fellowship with the saints. The church does not carry out physical punishment as do

the governments of the nations, but they are charged with carrying out spiritual discipline.

Parents are also given authority within the sphere of responsibility entrusted to them. They are to maintain Yahweh's governmental order in the home. Therefore, if a child is living an immoral life, it is the parents' responsibility to reprove the child. If the child refuses to repent, the parents must discipline the child.

Hebrews 12:9-11

Furthermore, we had earthly fathers to discipline us, and we respected them; shall we not much rather be subject to the Father of spirits, and live? For they disciplined us for a short time as seemed best to them, but He disciplines us for our good, that we may share His holiness. All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness.

The age of the child does alter the nature of the discipline. It would be impractical for parents to excommunicate a rebellious child who is not old enough to be self-supporting. Yet, if the child is of age, and he is rebellious, or he lives an unruly, immoral life, the parents should treat the son or daughter the same as the church would treat an unrepentant sinner in their midst. They should break off fellowship, and not even eat a meal with the rebellious child. The parents must uphold the government of God. The apostle Paul asks the question, "For what son is there whom his father does not discipline?" (Hebrews 12:7).

When parents continue to let a rebellious, unruly, or immoral child live under their roof, they are neglecting to discipline the child as is their duty. If they are giving the immoral son or daughter financial, or other means of support, allowing them to share the family's food, and participate in the fellowship of the family, they have abdicated their role of discipline. There are numerous examples in the Scriptures where parents refused to discipline their children, and the consequences for both parents and children were tragic. The priest Eli and his wicked sons, and King David and his sons Amnon and Absalom, are but two examples of a failure to discipline sons and the devastation that resulted in the families.

Christian parents should not think that because they are in an age of grace that there is any less of a need to reprove and discipline their children. As the apostle Paul stated, "Shall we continue in sin that grace might increase?" Will the grace of God render the immoral lifestyle of a child acceptable in Yahweh's sight? Absolutely not! Yahweh's counsel to a church under grace is the same as to the family under grace. "Remove the wicked man from among yourselves."

Again, this discipline is intended to lead the transgressor to repentance. There is a hope that the church member, or son or daughter, who is in this way disciplined, might be ashamed, repent of their behavior, and return to fellowship with those who are spiritual, and return to fellowship with God. Paul stated that "All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness." Producing righteousness is the goal of God's discipline, and it should be the goal of the Christian's discipline as well. We must not neglect to carry out discipline because it is sorrowful.

In all areas of the Christian life it is necessary to be led of the Holy Spirit. This certainly applies to the realm of discipline. Believer's need to seek the mind of Christ to know how to apply correction. They need to speak and act according to the leading of the Spirit. The Spirit will direct the saints to speak truth and to manifest love for the offender, seeking their ultimate welfare while keeping honor and obedience to Yahweh uppermost.

When dealing with those outside the church, and outside of one's family, the situation is greatly altered. The apostle Paul writes:

I Corinthians 5:9-10

I wrote you in my letter not to associate with immoral people; I did not at all mean with the immoral people of this world, or with the covetous and swindlers, or with idolaters; for then you would have to go out of the world.

Christians live in the midst of a dark and immoral world. Apart from moving to the wilderness, or adopting a monastic life, it would be impossible to not have any association with immoral people. Yahweh has not called His people to come out of the world. He intends for them to remain as salt and light in the midst of a world that needs both. Christ was criticized by the Jewish religious leaders because He associated with prostitutes, drunkards, and tax collectors, all of whom were regarded as immoral. In reply He stated:

Matthew 9:12-13

"It is not those who are healthy who need a physician, but those who are sick. But go and learn what this means, 'I desire compassion, and not sacrifice,' for I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners."



Yahshua and Prostitute

Luke 5:31 adds the word "repentance" to the phrase above. Yahshua came to call sinners to repentance. This should be our goal as disciples of Christ. Yahweh desires compassion upon the lost masses of this world. Yahshua came to seek and to save that which was lost. His goal is

redemption, the reconciliation of God and man.

The members of Westboro Baptist Church are not manifesting compassion. Their approach lacks humility. They have no consciousness of their own need of God's great mercy, though they too are sinners.



Westboro Baptist Church Protest

The signs carried by this professing Christian do not accurately reflect the mind of God. Yahweh does not laugh when homosexuals die. The prophet Ezekiel wrote:

Ezekiel 18:30-32

"Repent and turn away from all your transgressions, so that iniquity may not become a stumbling block to you. Cast away from you all your transgressions which you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! For why will you die...? For I have no pleasure in the death of *anyone* who dies," declares Yahweh God. "Therefore, repent and live."

Yahweh desires that men might live. The wages of sin is death. Therefore Yahweh exhorts men and women to turn away from their sins that they might experience life. Christ said, "I came that they might have life, and might have it abundantly." The apostle Paul describes Christians as divine ambassadors, kingdom representatives, of Yahweh.

II Corinthians 5:20

Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were entreating through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

Consider these words for a moment. "We beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God." To declare such a message it is first necessary to disclose to people that they are estranged from God. Christians must tell those God sends their way that sin has separated them from God. These words of Paul also express compassion, and a sincere concern, for those who are separated from Yahweh. It is unseemly for a Christian to go about reviling, and casting insults, at those who are living sinful lives. It is not necessary to revile in order to speak the truth about sin, righteousness, and judgment.

It may seem contradictory that Christ would eat with sinners, yet He would tell His disciples to treat their own brethren as a tax collector or Gentile, refusing to fellowship with them, if they were living an immoral life, but there is a sound reason for this. Those who have been given much are held to a stricter judgment. To be given the light of truth, and to reject it is a serious matter.

As Christians we are to proclaim the kingdom of God to others. Yet, if those who hear our words resist the truth we are to move one. The apostle Paul demonstrated this in his ministry.

Acts 13:44-46

And the next Sabbath nearly the whole city assembled to hear the word of God. But when the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy, and began contradicting the things spoken by Paul, and were blaspheming. And Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly and said, "It was necessary that the word of God should be spoken to you first; since you repudiate it, and judge yourselves unworthy of eternal life, behold, we are turning to the Gentiles.

Yahweh has said that He will not strive with men forever. As Christians we must be sensitive to the opportunities around us, remaining sensitive to the guidance of the Spirit to know when to speak, and to whom. He will provide us opportunities. We must impress upon people the urgency of the matter. Yahweh will not continually draw a man or woman to Himself. If they repeatedly harden their heart they may miss their opportunity for repentance.

Luke 13:6-9

He also spoke this parable: "A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. Then he said to the keeper of his vineyard, 'Look, for three years I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree and find none. Cut it down; why does it use up the ground?' But he answered and said to him, 'Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and fertilize it. And if it bears fruit, well. But if not, after that you can cut it down."'

One thing I would share before closing this chapter is that there are far more homosexuals turning away from their sin than the government or media would lead people to believe. The myth has been propagated that it is impossible, or at least exceptionally rare, for a homosexual to turn away from same sex attraction. It is important to mention the falsehood of such a belief because many Christians are daunted at the prospect of witnessing to homosexuals since they have been told repeatedly that homosexuals cannot change. Similarly, those who have embraced the homosexual lifestyle may lack confidence that they can change because they have been told repeatedly by the government and media that same sex attraction is established at birth and it is immutable.

The recent bills passed in California and New Jersey forbidding sexual orientation change efforts by licensed counselors, efforts whose aim is to return homosexuals to a straight orientation, provide evidence of how widely the false belief that homosexuals cannot change have spread. According to a study conducted on a large population and published in 2007 by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, ex-gays actually outnumber gays in society. The following video reports the findings of this study.

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In conclusion, I encourage you to not be dismayed at the task of witnessing to the truth that in Christ is found the power to transform men's lives. Christ came to set the captives free. Those whom the Son sets free are free indeed.

Satan is a liar. It is time for Christians to Push Back against the lies and deceit of the adversary. Truth is on the side of the disciples of Christ, and "Greater is He who is in us, than he who is in the world."

May you be blessed with peace and understanding in these days.

Addendum

There are many questions and related issues that come to mind as people consider the Biblical view of homosexuality. Some of these questions are raised with a sincere desire to understand the truth. There are also many insincere questions/objections raised in opposition to the Biblical teaching on homosexuality. They are insincere because the people raising the questions are not searching for truth, nor are they desiring to arrive at the mind of Christ. Rather, they are biased, having an agenda that they are defending. This was observed when, during the recent elections in Australia, the Prime Minister seeking re-election stated that the Bible could not serve as a guide for social issues since it also endorsed slavery.

In the video below, taken from a broadcast on Australian television, you will see twitter messages appearing on the screen. One mentions that the Bible also forbids the eating of shellfish. The intent of such statements is to cast the Bible into disrepute so that it will appear ridiculous for anyone to suggest that the Holy Scriptures have relevance to today's social issues.

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This is a form of argument that many have embraced in an attempt to discredit the Biblical teaching on homosexuality. Some individuals point to issues in the Bible that are regarded as cruel, unjust, or socially unacceptable, and use these examples to call into question the Bible's teachings on homosexuality. Some point to the prohibition in the Law of Moses against eating shellfish, or wearing clothes made out of two types of material, or eating pork, or stoning to death a rebellious son, etc., to declare that Christians are not following these laws today. They follow this up by asking why the prohibition against homosexual relationships should be any different. They would accuse Christians of arbitrarily choosing which Old Testament laws they want to adhere unto.

A common aspect of these questions/objections is that they demonstrate a failure to "rightly divide the word of God." Those who use such arguments are not seeking truth, nor do they care whether they are accurately representing the views of Yahweh, or the teachings of the Bible.

These objections become a problem when the Christians who are confronted with them do not know the Scriptures well enough to give a defense of the truth. Christians are easily tripped up by these objections. In the case of Kevin Rudd, the former Prime Minister of Australia (who lost the recent election), this man professes to be a Christian. His profession of faith is akin to Barack Obama's statement that he is a Christian and a man of faith. Yahshua said you would know men by their fruit. Promoting homosexuality, a lifestyle that leads to sickness, death, depression, and rebellion against God, is rotten fruit.

None of the objections raised by those advocating on behalf of homosexual normalization are unanswerable. Some issues take considerable reflection to understand aright, and may require revelation from the Father, but He has promised to give liberally to all who ask Him for wisdom (James 1:5).

How would you answer the objection that the Bible treats slavery as a normal social condition? Do you understand why God does not forbid slavery in His word? Several years ago I wrote an article titled *Why the Bible Does NOT Condemn Slavery*. I recommend it to those who are unable to answer the question.

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For those who cannot answer other objections, such as why Christians condemn homosexuality, but may choose to eat shellfish which the Law forbids, I refer you to the book titled *Laying Down the Law*.

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Because the Bible is very clear in its condemnation of homosexuality, those who are promoting, or engaged in, this sinful lifestyle must find a way to discredit the Scriptures. A wide array of arguments have been set forth. Can you give a defense of the Scriptures, or a defense of God? Some may suggest that God can defend Himself, and that a Christian need not do so. Certainly He can do so. Nevertheless, God has appointed believers to be Christ's ambassadors, representing the kingdom of God to a dark and sinful world. It behooves the saints to gain a mastery of the Scriptures, and to arrive at a mature understanding of the doctrines of the faith.

The apostle Paul stated that a man cannot be appointed as an overseer in the church unless he is able to refute those who oppose the truth.

Titus 1:7-11

For the overseer must... be able both to exhort in sound doctrine and to refute those who contradict. For there are many rebellious men, empty talkers and deceivers, especially those of the circumcision, who must be silenced...

The Bible provides numerous examples of Christians who argued skillfully from the Scriptures. Among them were men like Stephen, and Apollos.

Acts 6:8-10

And Stephen, full of grace and power, was performing great wonders and signs among the people. But some men from what was called the Synagogue of the Freedmen, including both Cyrenians and Alexandrians, and some from Cilicia and Asia, rose up and argued with Stephen. And yet they were unable to cope with the wisdom and the Spirit with which he was speaking.

Acts 18:24-28

Now a certain Jew named Apollos, an Alexandrian by birth, an eloquent man, came to Ephesus; and he was mighty in the Scriptures. This man had been instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in spirit, he was speaking and teaching accurately the things concerning Yahshua... and he began to speak out boldly in the synagogue. And when he wanted to go across to Achaia, the brethren encouraged him and wrote to the disciples to welcome him; and when he had

arrived, he helped greatly those who had believed through grace; for he powerfully refuted the Jews in public, demonstrating by the Scriptures that Yahshua was the Christ.

It is not just church leaders who are called to give a defense of the truths of God's kingdom. All Christians should apply themselves to growing in the knowledge of God's word, using it skillfully to give a defense of the kingdom of God.

I Peter 3:15

But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you...

If you encounter an argument from those who oppose God and His word, what do you do? Do you shrug off the matter and forget about it? Do you glibly reply that some things simply have to be taken on faith? Do you concede with the enemies of righteousness that the Bible is a deeply flawed book? Or do you follow the advice that the apostle Paul spoke to Timothy?

II Timothy 2:15

Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Could your study of God's word be described as "diligent"? Or are you a slacker? People of God, in this hour of great apostasy and growing darkness in the world, there is no room for complacency. If you do not push back against the darkness, you will be overcome by it. The weapons of a Christian's warfare are not carnal. The apostle Paul describes "the word of God" and "prayer" as being the chief offensive weapons of a believer.

Ephesians 6:17-18

And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit.

A man cannot be handed a sword and expect that he will automatically be a master of its use. The same is true when it comes to developing skill in one's use of the Scriptures. People are not born skillful in the scriptures. They become that way as they exercise discipline, patience, and a zealous pursuit of the truth. Gaining a mastery of God's word is no different than gaining mastery in some natural endeavor, such as sport. Some people may have a greater inherent ability, but without discipline, training, and focus upon a goal, all the ability in the world will prove vain.

The Christian has the distinct advantage of having God, the all-wise, all-powerful Creator of the universe, on their side. Those who come to God, earnestly entreating Him to instruct them in truth and to help them gain skill in their mastery of His word, will not be turned away. James scolded the church, saying, "You have not because you ask not." When was the last time you asked Yahweh to help you gain a mastery of His word? If you ask, He will answer. The Scriptures state:

"It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught of God."

I John 2:27

And as for you, the anointing which you received from Him abides in you, and you have no need for anyone to teach you; but as His anointing teaches you about all things, and is true and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you abide in Him.

I Corinthians 2:12-13

Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things freely given to us by God, which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words.

John 14:26

"But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you."

If you lack understanding; if you are unable to give a defense of God's truths, you need not remain ignorant and unskilled. You are constrained only by your own desires. Those who love the truth, and pursue it, will find it.



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