

Homosexuality

A clever tactic

Back around 1980, someone showed me an article which exposed what was allegedly a new tactic to be employed by the homosexual lobby. Part of the article read like a strategy manual for the homosexual lobby to put into practice in order to achieve their desired outcome; the acceptance of homosexual practice in the wider community. The key point being:

The discussion and emphasis must be on individual *rights*. All other considerations must be pushed to the background. When a problem with homosexual practice is aired, the homosexual lobby is instructed to put the focus back on 'equal rights'.

Not many months after reading the article, I viewed a discussion between a homosexual (Gay) and a heterosexual (Straight or normal) in a discussion panel on TV. It was interesting to note the very aggressive manner in which the homosexual chap put forward his simplistic one line argument. Because this tactic was new and very effective, the other chap was ill prepared, and had little comeback.

Since the employment of this tactic, I have noticed a considerable gain in support of homosexual aims by the general public. Some media outlets seem to have fallen for this simplistic argument. On TV you can witness a gay or lesbian couple unite in a civil union ceremony with lots of smiling faces. Sometimes smiling faces of children are thrown in for good measure. However, a ton of positive images for homosexuality do not take away the fact that there is a dark side to the practice. Not all homosexuals are born that way. Some become that way out of unrestrained lust.

A deep dark pit

I recall a young man in India being interviewed about his move into homosexuality. He explained he had himself castrated in order to take on feminine features and get heavily involved in homosexual activity. He revealed that he had become deeply distressed by what he had done, and because of his misery, he cries every day. His actions had taken his mental state into a deep dark pit. This situation was obviously quite tragic. Young and naive men can become victims of homosexuals who are on the lookout for someone upon whom they can vent their distorted sexual lusts.

Back around April 2012, authorities in Russia took steps to ban the subtle promotion of homosexual activity in that country by the homosexual lobby. When news of their action reached the rest of the world, there was considerable disquiet. In an interview for TV, a Soviet scientist explained that a significant section of homosexuals do not have the homosexual gene, this suggests that many homosexuals were initially straight, but have taken on the practice. The Soviets clearly want to thwart attempts by homosexuals to groom naive young men to their lifestyle. The government is aiming to do what all good governments should do, and that is, maintain a good standard of mental health in the community.

Homosexuality is not victimless

The **homosexual** is a victim of his or her condition. A person in that condition can not enjoy the very close relationship that many heterosexuals enjoy in a marriage

relationship. The homosexual relationship, even with the recognition of an official document, is a mere substitute for the real thing. Furthermore, their union will be fruitless; they can not bring children into the world and know the joy of a solid family life.

Parents of homosexuals are victims. It is usually a sad day when they discover one of their children is a homosexual. A consequence is a shattering of their expectation of becoming proud grandparents.

Workmates are victims because they often can not work in a relaxed way with the affected person. I have seen the problem first hand in a work environment. A man had a discussion with the chap who was known to be 'gay'. His gay partner was in the area and he did not like anyone being too friendly with his partner, so he let his feelings be known by giving out a dirty look. People did not talk much with the gay chap, and when this incident became known, it only made his isolation worse.

Children are victims in the event that one parent should bring a child into a homosexual union - the parent obviously having the child from a previous relationship.

The child will be denied the role models of both a father and mother in a home environment. Around twenty years back, a young lady gave testimony on an ABC radio programme of the many problems she encountered growing up in a homosexual environment. She wanted a father, but she was stuck with two mothers. She was embarrassed when people asked about her father. It is not fashionable these days to air problems in homosexual relationships, therefore, they tend to be hidden from the wider community. One homosexual claim often aired is that children can often do better in a homosexual environment because there are instances in heterosexual relationships where children suffer neglect or abuse. However, using an abnormal and unhealthy situation to highlight the benefits of the homosexual relationship only goes to show the weakness of the homosexual lobby argument.

The role models provided to a child in a homosexual environment is of two people suffering a psychological problem; they will be relating to each other in a very abnormal way. Further, in instances where the homosexual pair have become homosexual out of unrestrained lust, there is the danger that a child in that relationship may become a victim of their mentally distorted state.

It needs to be granted that there are no reports at this moment (June 2013) of homosexuals marrying, obtaining children, then sexually abusing the children. However, legislators who are considering allowing gay marriage must also consider the fact that the full extent of sexual abuse can remain hidden for twenty years or more. That is what we have recently found regarding the extent of sexual abuse - mostly paedophilia - conducted by some of the priests in the Roman Catholic Church.

Biological error

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will put this in the context of a related problem. Some boys can grow up with a female brain, causing them to think and behave in a female way. Girls can have the same type of biological error in their makeup.

A biological error can also cause some to have a sexual attraction toward their own sex. On an ABC TV programme aired early in 2010, a man revealed that he was shocked when he found that his son was homosexual. He asked his son why he chose to be 'Gay'. The son responded by saying he did not *choose* to be 'Gay'. He declared that it was *not* something he wanted.

I spoke about this subject with a man who had worked for many years raising pigs. He informed me that occasionally a pig would turn out homosexual. The other pigs would recognise there was a problem and the homosexual pig would be pushed away from the main group. The farmer felt that perhaps an unknown chemical contamination of the food (or food additive) during the gestation period triggered a hormonal problem which brought on the homosexuality.

Some people think it is simply a humorous yarn when they hear of a bull being homosexual, but it is actually true that a bull can turn out to be homosexual. It is useless to the farmer for breeding purposes, so it has to be sold for its meat value.

For those who are still sceptical about a biological link in some cases of homosexuality, I must point out that a very small number of babies are born each year with a sexual confusion of a physical kind. That is, they appear to be normal in every respect except that they have the wrong genitals for their sex, or perhaps, poorly formed organs of both sexes.

A TV documentary (ABC2, 22 May 2013) focussed on a very rare condition called 'Gender Dysphoria'. A person with this condition rejects their own sex. The programme featured Natasha who was unable to see herself as a girl, no matter how hard she tried. Dr Richard Curtis who is a specialist in this area says it is primarily "a biological issue rather than a mental issue." Natasha took on the clothes of a man and the name John, to gain some relief regarding her condition. Her mother was looking forward to becoming a grandmother, but those dreams were shattered when her daughter's condition was revealed to her.

There is quite rightly some sympathy in the community for people who suffer a condition which distorts a person's sexual orientation in some way, including toward homosexuality. A quick fix loudly proclaimed by the homosexual lobby is homosexual marriage. However, this idea is not really a solution, and it brings with it some significant problems.

The first problem with the homosexual marriage approach is that it is really an ambulance at the bottom of a cliff. It does not address the heart of the problem. The real focus must be on medical research to prevent or fix the genetic error or the hormonal error which brings on homosexuality in the first place. In all of the discussion on the issue of homosexual marriage, little thought has been applied to some very basic questions, namely:

What percentage of homosexuals fit into the following categories?

- Homosexual due to a genetic error.
- Homosexual due to a hormonal influence.
- Homosexual due to unrestrained and perverted lust.

Probably most in the last group will be too embarrassed to admit they had a part in their own downfall. However, we can obtain a good answer by deducting those in the first two groups. Unless we have some answers to the above, we are in a poor position to tackle a problem which is a heavy burden for some people.

Homosexual marriage?

The very idea of giving some form of official legitimacy to a homosexual partnership is quite offensive to many normal citizens. On another level, marriage for a person who is suffering from a homosexual orientation is not going to make his or her problem go away. The awkwardness they feel is going to remain with them no matter what official document they obtain.

A further problem is that same sex marriage degrades the value of a normal marriage. Firstly, a homosexual pair can't consummate their commitment in the same way that a true marriage is consummated. Secondly, a normal marriage in most cases goes beyond the love and support a couple have for each other to their children. Same sex partnerships can not normally have children, so the covenant they make with each other is by comparison a somewhat selfish covenant.

Lack of stability

Some reports in the media on homosexual relationships give the impression that most relationships of that type are firm and stable, however, one report revealing the lack of stability in homosexual relationships states the following:

"Studies on the length of homosexual relationships in Australia show that they last even less than heterosexual de facto relationships. Most male homosexuals do not have regular monogamous relationships that compare with the notion of marriage. The Melbourne Gay Community Periodic Survey (MGCPS) study of Feb 2000 found that only 20% of men had just one partner in the previous six months; 39% had 2 to 10 partners and 26% had 11-50 partners. 7.8% had over 50 partners.

Regarding the length of relationships (Melb.1997), of those who had a regular partner, 40.4% changed in the previous month, 10% were 6-12 months old and 18.8% were 1-2 years old. Only 30% had lasted more than 3 years and only 15.7% lasted more than 5 years. 68% of all homosexual male relationships lasted LESS than 2 years." (Salt Shakers, March 2004, p.12).

Some homosexual couples want to care for children. That idea is inconsiderate because children do better when raised by both a mother and father. A programme aired on Catalyst ABC TV (Australia, late 2010/early 2011) looked at the effect of the robust play which fathers give their children. It showed that the lively and energetic play which fathers have

with their children is crucial to good development. The tender approach that mothers have with their children is also helpful. Children need both.

Part of my certainty that children need their fathers comes from personal experience. A few years back, I did some handyman repairs for a single mother. While having a brief chat with the lady before leaving, her son who was about four years old, took hold of my index finger and did not want to let go. From his point of view, he had found a man, and he did not want that man to leave. The following year, another single mother was living next door. She had a son aged around three or four. One day while I was doing some gardening near the fence - the fence being a fairly open style with vertical metal bars - he spotted me and came over. He reached his hand out toward me, so I put my hand through the fence, at which point he grabbed one of my fingers and said, 'daddy', even though I don't look anything like his actual father. Quite clearly, this child also was wanting a father. It defies common sense to think any normal child would want two mothers or two fathers.

Many homosexuals argue that marriage will be good for them and that the law should not step in the way of what they want to do. A problem with that idea is that the laws of the land already prevent people from doing what they might like to do from time to time. A couple of examples are the speed limits on roads, and laws which protect the environment. A company director might argue that if he starts a mine in a particular area, it will help the native population financially. However, if that area has good laws, he will be prevented from proceeding with the project if the mine will be destructive to the environment or long term health of the people. Likewise, good laws will offer protection against the denigration of marriage and will also prevent the exploitation of children.

Having dealt with the group of people who are homosexual because of a biological error, we must now consider the group who are homosexual by choice. This group have become perverted in their lusts to the point where they deliberately seek out people of the same sex in order to engage in perverted sexual practices. A serious problem with allowing homosexuals to marry is that it would give legitimacy to the perverted practices.

One psychologist makes the claim that a person becomes a homosexual after he has committed homosexual acts seven times. In other words, the sexual feelings of the person are gradually degraded after each act until a point is reached where the person is no longer normal. Governments must make sure they do not clear the way to a degrading practice.

The Churches, with their vast experience of various psychological problems in the community are quite rightly at the forefront of the opposition to government sanctioned unions of homosexuals.

The Bible warns, "Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside his body, but he who sins sexually sins against his own body." (1 Corinthians 6:18). This passage also refers to the degrading influence of pornography, fornication and adultery.

With the Australian government inquiry in 2013 into paedophilia (preying on children for sex) in the Church (a big problem in the Roman Catholic Church), a lot of information has come to light regarding the terrible psychological suffering of the victims of the paedophiles. Some have committed suicide and a few have considered suicide, such is the terrible effect on their lives. Typically, victims find achieving a good marriage relationship difficult. Many believe they will never fully recover. Society needs to heed the warning of Scripture, "... he who sins sexually sins against his own body." (1 Cor. 6:18).

The Bible condemns sexually perverted activity, it says, "Do you not know that the wicked will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers nor male prostitutes nor homosexual offenders nor thieves nor the greedy nor drunkards nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. And that is what some of you were. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God." (1 Cor. 6:9-11).

The Bible does not condemn those who simply have a homosexual orientation, rather, it condemns those who engage in homosexual activity, that is 'homosexual offenders'. Likewise, the Bible condemns heterosexuals (from Greek *heteros* meaning different) who commit fornication or adultery, that is, 'the sexually immoral'.

Those who become God-haters can become quite perverted in their behaviour. The Bible warns regarding those who turn against God, "They exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshipped and served created things rather than the Creator - who is forever praised. Amen. Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged natural relations for unnatural ones. In the same way the men also abandoned natural relations with women and were inflamed with lust for one another. Men committed indecent acts with other men, and received in themselves the due penalty for their perversion. Furthermore, since they did not think it worthwhile to retain the knowledge of God, he gave them over to a depraved mind, to do what ought not to be done." (Rom. 1:25-28).

We should not think that all who sink to a low position are without hope. God is able to lift those who turn to him out of their wretched state to an honourable position. The Bible says regarding some who were particularly wicked, "And that is what some of you were." (1 Cor. 6:9-11).

Homosexual marriage and Barak Obama

It was reported on 11 May 2012 that Barack Obama now supports gay (homosexual) marriage, not just civil unions. This is in part, a reaction to his vice president Joe Biden giving support to gay marriage. Also, Obama confesses he was swayed by advice given by his young daughters. Barack Obama considered the fact that homosexual men and women are dying in combat in Afghanistan, therefore, they should be allowed to marry. The reality is that all types of men serve in combat. Some live ideal lives, and a small percentage are smokers, heavy drinkers, pornographers and adulterers.

Should politicians throw caution to the wind and support questionable conduct because such people risk their lives in combat?

Supporting gay marriage is not going to provide help to our soldiers who are serving in Muslim lands. Many Muslims, particularly those at the more radical end of the spectrum, consider Western society to be Godless and morally degenerate. They have concerns with regard to the lack of modesty in the dress of some women among other things. They believe it is the West that needs saving, not the other way round. Supporting perverted sexual practices is condemned by Christians and Muslims alike. News from Obama that he now supports homosexuality in the above manner will be like gold in the hands of Muslims in charge of anti-western propaganda.

A few years back, US forces were humiliated in a shocking report which revealed prisoners were being miss-treated in a prison in ways which included being sexually abused by women guards. Given the strict moral code in some areas of life regarding women, which includes a higher level of separation of the sexes than is found in western society, the female guards should not have been in a male prison in the first place, particularly when a stated aim of the allied military forces is to win the hearts and minds of the local people. Clearly, Barack Obama should not mention even a hint of support for homosexuality and the war in Afghanistan in the same speech. Giving Muslims an appearance of moral superiority over the west is not something which should be encouraged.

Australia's Prime Minister, Julia Gillard, has exercised some common sense and sound leadership on the issue of homosexual marriage. She is on record as stating her support for the traditional view on marriage. On an ABC radio programme hosted by Lyndall Curtis back in 2010, Lyndall states, "You've said marriage is between a man and a woman and that's the tradition and the history," Julia said at that time, "I've made a judgement call about holding to a tradition which is a foundation stone of our heritage as an Australian society." (ABC AM, 25 November 2010). Amen to that!

The way forward

As Christians, we pity those who out of no fault of their own, are bearing the burden of a sexual orientation which causes them much psychological pain. We must support all efforts on the medical front to overcome this problem; furthermore:

- Christians need to be at the forefront of warning the community of the danger of becoming addicted to perverted sexual practices, including homosexuality, paedophilia and pornography, all of which appear to be increasing, particularly the latter, since the advent of the Internet.
- We must work against the spiritual malaise which is at the heart of many of the problems in our society, including those under discussion in this paper.
- Finally, we must fight to maintain our rights. Particularly the right to a marriage which is held in honour before God and mankind.

Helpful web sites

The important role of a mother in a child's development hardly needs to be stated. The father's role is sometimes overlooked. For instance, a girl gains some appreciation of being a girl through her father, and a boy gains some appreciation of being a boy through his mother. The two web sites below give guidelines to fathers on how to effectively parent their children. Clearly, the advice would not be given if the role of both a father and mother was not recognised.

- The benefit to the child of having both a mother and father is well documented. See for instance: www.civitas.org.uk/hwu/fathers.php
- This government run site gives some guidelines for fathers on parenting, clearly, the help is given because fathers are important in the raising of children: www.eduweb.vic.gov.au/edulibrary/public/earlychildhood/parentinfo/fathersmatter2009.pdf
- You can find this article online at www.defenceofthefait.org/Homo.pdf

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