[Submission to the Constitutional Convention on Same-sex 'Marriage']

Our Insane Society Needs to Wake Up

Marriage

Marriage is a lifelong union between a man and a woman. This has been the case from the earliest times. Nothing has been discovered by historians, archaeologists or other students of antiquity that would indicate that marriage was ever anything other than a lifelong contract between a man and a woman. Homosexual alliances were not uncommon in earlier cultures, but they were never placed on a social par with marriage or used as a basis for determining inheritance, succession, adoption, or other privileges deriving from traditional marriage.

Civil Partnership

Sodomy was often given licence or legitimacy through pagan religious activities such as temple prostitution or the operation of homosexual dens and meeting places where patrons were not subject to persecution. It was also common in the military. Many partnerships developed from these relationships but there is no evidence that the 'couples' concerned felt aggrieved that their partnership was not recognised as equivalent to traditional marriage between a man and a woman. Indeed the very idea would have been considered absurd, just as it is today by many homosexuals.

Until recently homosexuals have not seen a need to have their relationships recognized in the same way as traditional marriage, principally because they did not regard their relationship as traditional. They sought rather to live together without social impediment and, if possible, to have their relationship recognized under the law or at least unhindered by the threat of legal sanctions. This is achieved by existing civil partnership arrangements. Such recognition removes any outstanding legal stigma and enables the couple to carry on their lives in an acceptable manner.

Abnormal Behaviour

Society has always viewed homosexuality as a destructive departure from normal human behaviour. To that extent it may be compared with alcoholism. The alcoholic deserves our compassionate regard but under no circumstances can his situation be viewed as normal. Once a person is introduced to excessive alcohol consumption and made to believe it is normal, a habit is formed which is extremely difficult to break. Sodomy is very similar. Once a person's normal sexual orientation is disrupted, especially in one's formative years, it can very difficult to correct. Many victims of homosexual abuse go on to develop homosexual tendencies. There is nothing remotely genetic about it. Studies show that over 60 per cent of homosexuals were abused as teenagers. Like alcoholism or any other addiction, it is learned behaviour.

The Marxist/Humanist Agenda

The campaign to have homosexual partnerships treated as 'marriage' is part of a much wider agenda. This is the materialistic, anti-Biblical agenda being promoted by Marxists and Humanists, whereby man is viewed as the sole arbiter of moral values. It is nothing more and nothing less than an attack on Christianity and specifically the cornerstone of any stable society, namely the lifelong marriage of a man and a woman.

Marxists and Humanists hate the God of the Bible. The kind of social control that they seek to establish cannot be achieved in a society guided in the main by Christian values. Subversive Marxists like Saul Alinsky and Antonio Gramsci have popularised the doctrine that the best way to destroy all resistance to the ideals of Marxism is to infiltrate and undermine traditional social institutions and redefine their values. The attack on traditional Christian marriage is a vital part of this wider campaign.

Other elements in this campaign include euthanasia, assisted suicide, abortion, divorce on demand, the confusion of gender identity, the attack on traditional families by radical feminism (many leading feminists were Marxists or lesbians), the early separation of parents from the education of their children (Dewey was a Marxist/Humanist), New Age witchcraft (the Hollywood agenda), sexual promiscuity, the ready availability of online pornography, and so forth. The so-called 'scientific' studies carried out by Alfred Kinsey in the 1940s and 1950s were based on fraud of the worst kind, where the population sampled was itself selected to ensure a high incidence of sexual deviancy. The Marxist/Humanist agenda in the US and Europe is heavily funded by groups who are determined to introduce a social order that is completely controlled by a rich and powerful elite.

The Attempt to Silence the Public

The Humanist/Marxist strategy includes the promotion of political correctness and equality legislation in order to make it progressively harder to voice concern about moral corruption, sexual perversion, and so-called religious codes like 'Sharia law' which are profoundly anti-Christian. The same agenda is seeking to lower the age of consent so that adult sodomites can groom and exploit younger teenage victims. When one considers the high level of promiscuity that is prevalent among homosexuals, this poses a serious threat to the safety and well-being of our children, young adults and society in general.

The current Irish government is Humanist/Marxist in orientation. Thus it should hardly be surprising that the Deputy Prime Minister, Eamonn Gilmore, declared in June, 2012 that "The right of gay couples to marry is, quite simply, the civil rights issue of this generation and, in my opinion, its time has come." Really, Mr Gilmore? A statement like this reveals the Marxist/Humanist mindset of this government, the same mindset that considers it normal to murder children in the womb.

Adoption

Homosexual partners should not be allowed to adopt children. There are more than enough traditional couples available to provide a loving and caring home environment to a child in need without requiring him or her to have two 'fathers' and no mother. Homosexual marriage would lead inevitably to the introduction of such adoptions.

The Homosexual 'Lifestyle'

Therapists and counsellors are well acquainted with the high proportion of mental and emotional disorders among their clients that are linked either directly or indirectly to lesbianism and sodomy. Remember, in this 'liberated' age, none of these problems should exist. But the opposite is the case. Sadly, these perversions are doing real harm to many of the people who practice them.

Consider the following facts, all of which are deeply disturbing:

One study found that –

43 percent of homosexual men had more than 500 'partners'.

28 percent of homosexual men had more than 1,000 'partners'.

Around 80 percent of homosexual men stated that half of their sexual encounters were with total strangers, often numbering several hundred.

Source: Bell, A. and Weinberg, M. *Homosexualities: a Study of Diversity Among Men and Women*. New York: Simon & Schuster, 1978. See also Bell, Weinberg and Hammersmith, *Sexual Preference* (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1981).

- In his study of male homosexuality Western Sexuality: Practice and Precept in Past and Present Times M. Pollak found that "few homosexual relationships last longer than two years". In Male and Female Homosexuality, M. Saghir and E. Robins found that the average male homosexual live-in relationship lasts between two and three years.
- Studies show that most homosexual partnerships that claim to be exclusive or 'committed' are actually open, meaning that one or both partners continue to have occasional sex with other homosexuals.
- Studies show that mental health problems among homosexuals are much higher than among the general population. This has little or nothing to do with the stigma attaching to homosexuality but is a common symptom of same-sex orientation¹. Depression and suicidal ideation are significantly higher. Lesbians appear to be unusually prone to compulsive disorders and related emotional problems.

¹ Lief, H. Sexual Survey Number 4: Current Thinking on Homosexuality, Medical Aspects of Human Sexuality, 1977, pp. 110-11.

• Practising homosexuals have very serious health problems due entirely to their unnatural sexual activity. While the tragedy of AIDS has obscured the underlying average life expectancy of homosexual males, studies indicate that an active male homosexual has a far shorter life expectancy than his heterosexual counterpart. They suggest that, where AIDS is not the cause of death, the average lifespan of a male homosexual is at least 8 years less than the average for the population as a whole. Some research suggests that it could be as much as 15 to 20 years less.

How much of this is natural and healthy? <u>None of it</u>. Frankly, it portrays a tragic pathology that ought to be of deep concern to all who care about the well-being of our society and the future of our children.

These studies show that the homosexual 'lifestyle' is both socially and emotionally unstable, often with serious adverse implications for those who follow it. It cannot be considered normal by any sensible application of the word. For many who become entangled in it, the homosexual 'lifestyle' offers only a lifetime of loneliness, unhappiness and depression. Many end tragically. The word 'gay' must have been chosen with bitter irony.

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How can an alliance based on unnatural sexual practices — which lasts on average 2-3 years, which is based on a 'lifestyle' that is compulsively promiscuous, and which causes serious emotional and other problems for those who indulge in it — be equated with marriage between a man and a woman, whose bodies are obviously designed for natural sexual relations and whose biology meets all the needs of sexual reproduction, emotional fulfilment, and the successful nurturing of children? It is a sign of the advanced moral decay of our society that this question even needs to be asked.

I reject as utterly immoral and highly irresponsible any attempt to equate a sodomitic or lesbian alliance with traditional marriage between a man and a woman. By all means, treat people with this disorder in a compassionate manner, but under no circumstances allow the deliberate perversion of human sexuality to be deemed normal.

"There is a way that seems right to a man, but the end thereof is the way of death." – Proverbs 14:12

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