

"The first time I knew I was gay, I was probably around 5 ..."

"I myself am a Roman Catholic Christian, and I also have same sex attraction."

"There were nights where I would just sit and pray I was straight..."

"... and since I was a kid I've struggled with homosexuality and serious identity issues."

"Am I 100% sure I'm gay? Not really."

"Hey, I struggle with homosexuality ... and I wanted freedom from it."

"I'm gonna get married, have kids ... live the American Dream ... the only difference is it's gonna be with a guy not a girl."

"I pray very much for the people that are in the homosexual lifestyle that are struggling with same sex attractions, because I know the cross."

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It's gut-wrenching. It's controversial. It's complicated. And it has become **THE** major social issue of our time.

Homosexuality. Up next, on this episode of C.I.A.

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INTRO

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Welcome to this latest edition of Catholic Investigative Agency, I'm Michael Voris.

It seems these days you can't turn on the TV, see a movie, or surf the web for long without encountering some news, entertainment or editorial related to the gay agenda. <<**ROLL SOTS**>>

"I'm on the right track, baby, I was born this way."

"Our experiment on gay public displays of affection, or PDA, prompts a call to 911."

"Don't say that something is gay when you mean that something is dumb or stupid. It's insulting."

"And that is why gay rights are human rights, and human rights are gay rights."

"We can learn to ignore the bullsh*t in the Bible about gay people..."

"I don't know what it's like to be picked on for being gay, but I do know what it's like to grow up feeling like sometimes you don't belong."

"They stayed married for 44 years until my mother died. Six months later my father told me he was gay. I'm gay."

OR

"I'm gay. He was gay the whole time they were married."

"My name is Zach Wahls, I'm a sixth generation Iowan, an engineering student at the University of Iowa, and I was raised by two women."

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Just about **EVERYONE** has an opinion on the highly controversial topic. But do people really have the full picture?

Do they really know what a man or woman with same sex attraction is going through? Can they fully comprehend the suffering that these people ... who are made in the image and likeness of God, endure?

And moving beyond the issue of just the individual ... do people really understand what Catholicism teaches about homosexuality and why? Do folks know what the origins of same sex attraction are?

Lots of questions. We're here to try and provide you with some answers. <<**TURN CAM 2**>>

Before we go any further, please know that some of this material is of an adult nature, and we advise parents to view this program before letting their children watch. We don't use graphic sexual language or imagery, but the topic is a mature one intended for mature audiences. <<TURN TO CAM 1>>

First ... it's important to explain some terminology. It's difficult to discuss same sex attraction because there are a number of different words and phrases used with a variety of meanings.

Some of the main terms people use in this debate are same sex attraction ... homosexual ... gay ... lesbian ... and sometimes sodomy.

Same sex attraction ... or SSA ... refers to just that ... a person who experiences some degree of sexual attraction to their own gender.

By definition, a homosexual is the same thing ... a person who is attracted to someone of the same sex. However ... this is an improper and imprecise term because it sets up a dichotomy between homosexuals and heterosexuals ... implying that there are two totally different kinds of people ... and fueling the lie that people with SSA are "born that way."

The terms gay and lesbian are the most problematic because they connote a great deal of meaning ... and the word gay is often used as an umbrella term encompassing both gay and lesbian.

"Gay" refers to a person ... usually a man ... who experiences SSA but ACTS on those attractions ... someone who lives a ... quote "gay lifestyle."

This includes dating people of the same gender ... engaging in sexual behavior as well as "marrying" someone of the same gender. Similarly ... a lesbian is a woman who experiences SSA and acts on them.

Some of you may have heard the phrase LGBT ... which stands for Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgendered. Recently a "Q" has been added on ... to make it LGBTQ. The Q can stand for either "queer" or "questioning".

The more established term that is sometimes substituted for same sex behavior is sodomy ... derived from the Biblical city of Sodom.

Before the terms homosexuality and gay were coined ... the word sodomy was used to refer to a number of specific acts and sodomite to the person engaging in any of those acts.

However ... individuals of the same or different sex could be participating in these acts ... so this term also fails to properly denote specifically SSA and behaviors.

So ... the only correct term to use is SSA. Now ... the term gay also has a more universal meaning than a man acting on his SSA. It refers to what was once a subculture but has become a part of mainstream western society. <<TURN TO CAM 2>>

Within the gay community are people who wish ... more or less ... to lead quiet lives with their same sex friends, partners ... what have you. There are also militant gays ... people who not only engage in same sex behavior but want the rest of the world to embrace and celebrate that behavior.

These individuals ... along with many politicians and world leaders actively ... and sometimes violently promote the gay agenda of "free" disordered sexual behavior ... "redefining" marriage into extinction ... and aggressively wearing down those who don't approve of the gay lifestyle.

The gay agenda is not about achieving "tolerance": it demands dominance in order to structure the mores of

society ... but we'll deal with this agenda in more depth later.

So as we always do ... here's our thesis statement:

THESIS: Persons with same sex attractions deserve our respect and compassion. But the militant gay movement's message that "gay" is good is completely false. This lie is confusing society and hurting the individuals themselves.

The militant gay message and lifestyle of gay hedonism has pervaded our society. Nowadays ... there isn't a corner of the world that hasn't been affected by the gay mindset.

1. IN THE PUBLIC EYE

Sadly, even the Catholic Church has been severely affected.

The 2004 John Jay report recorded over four thousand cases of priestly sexual abuse ... confirming the terrible problem.

For many people, Catholics and others ... it was their first glimpse at the immense scope of the gay assault on society. Catholics realized that the previously timidly whispered-about gay subculture had become a driving force in the world. <<TURN TO CAM 1>>

Several years later, on July 28, 2011 ... *Gawker* magazine released the document "Miami Vice: A Preliminary Report on the Financial, Spiritual, and Sexual Improprieties of the Clergy of the Miami Archdiocese." This four hundred-plus page bombshell expose was compiled by the lay group Christifidelis after the laymen became suspicious of some of their priests.

Gawker reprinted a key statement made to a man applying to the seminary by one of the priests interviewing him: "my boy, if the Holy Father were to get rid of every gay priest, this Archdiocese could run... ten parishes." The article goes on to note that "there are 118 parishes in the Archdiocese of Miami."

Another institution overrun with gay **immorality** is the U.S. military.

Take a look at a couple pictures that went viral over the internet after the repeal of the military's Don't Ask Don't Tell policy in September 2011.

These pictures are part of the phenomenon of "coming out" videos on YouTube ... especially among teens. Let's take a look at a couple of these videos to see how kids understand "being gay" nowadays ...

Roll Sot—Young boy "coming out"

"OK...I am gay. Wooooo. I just...I...I don't know, I want to do it, like, just say it. And then, I never did. So now I am. Umm, well yeah. I am. I like it. I think it fits me. I don't know."

This boy is TWELVE YEARS OLD ... and he feels the need to discuss his sexuality in a video and then post it on the internet for all to see ... of course he says he "knows" ... but is any twelve year-old mature enough to understand his sexuality and the implications of "straight" and "gay" lifestyles?

One thing kids DO understand is how to get attention ... which you'll see in this next video:

SOT—fake coming out video:

“Ha ha, you got _____ so bad. Oh my G-d, that didn't make sense. I am not gay; I just thought I'd use that title and that to attract attention to this video”?

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Why does a “coming out video” attract so much attention? Part of what this video indicates is the larger problem of a hypersexual society ... one in which it is deemed good for young children to think about and define their sexuality on the internet.

Society's gay obsession is the result of its embrace of the values promoted by the sexual revolution over a generation ago.

There's no doubt about it ... the destructive message that "gay is OK" has spread like wildfire. Let's take a look at who's fanning the flames.

2. THE MEDIA AND POPULAR OPINION

Without a doubt the media has been the main ally of gay militancy. TV shows ... magazines ... blogs ... movies ... books and social networking sites ... the homosexual movement's message is simply **EVERYWHERE**. Here are some recent examples that we found in the news:

President Obama stated in an interview that he supports so called same sex marriage ... the first president to do this.

The world's first registry for homophobic acts was created by a homosexual activist group in Quebec.

As of January 1, 2012 all California school textbooks now talk about gay history.

Also effective January 1, 2012 ... California passed “Seth's Law” ... an anti-gay bullying law that requires schools to monitor and eradicate “gay bullying.”

Eight states ... and Washington D.C. ... recently including Maryland, have legalized same sex marriage.

Corporate giants like Starbucks, Amazon, Google, Microsoft and Nike have all come out in support of same-sex marriage.

Hawaii is even forcing all churches to allow gay MARRIAGE CEREMONIES on their property. Priests and ministers don't have to perform the marriage ... but the property must be made available.

Secretary of State Hillary Clinton told the UN that gay rights and human rights are quote "one and the same."

Despite administration denials ... Obama HAS TIED foreign aid to a nation's acceptance of the homosexual agenda ... however the National Security Council's spokeswoman denies this claim. <<TURN TO CAM 2>>

Every one of those stories was pro-gay. Rarely do we hear a story presenting the opposing viewpoint. The media is spreading the gay agenda and forming the public's opinion on the issue.

They're just following the blueprint for spreading the gay agenda, drawn up in 1989 by two men, Marshall Kirk and Hunter Madsen in their book *After the Ball: How America Will Conquer Its Fear and Hatred of Gays in the 90s*. Kirk was a psychiatrist ... and Madsen is a Harvard-graduated expert in social marketing. They knew the way to desensitize America to gays was through a constant bombardment by the media.

At the time they wrote their book, being gay was rightly not accepted as something good and healthy.

They came up with a 3-step process ... Desensitization ... Jamming ... and Conversion.

Step 1 deals with Desensitization. Humans are hardwired to notice any kind of difference ... and to be suspicious of that difference.

But ... they argue ... if gays will just "stick around long enough" ... and try to minimize society's perception of them as strange ... people will eventually become desensitized to the gays in their communities. <<TURN TO CAM 1>>

You can easily find examples of Kirk and Madsen's theory of Desensitization in all kinds of entertainment media.

Shows like "Ellen" ...

"Will and Grace" ...

"Grey's Anatomy" ...

"Modern Family" ...

"Glee" ... and many others ... all present same sex couples as normal and common.

Movie studios are also in on the action ...

... with films like "Philadelphia" ...

"The Birdcage" ...

"Brokeback Mountain" ...

"Milk" ...

"Mamma Mia" ...

and "Valentine's Day" ... all promoting the gay agenda.

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After desensitization ... comes Jamming ... referring to jamming the "machine" of what they call "anti-gay bigotry".

In this step, according to Kirk and Madsen, people with SSA must be made to look like **VICTIMS** of both natural law ... and Church teaching.

They say that ... part of making gays look like victims ... is to accuse those who believe homosexual behavior is sinful of being hate-filled bigots ... inhuman and definitely "unchristian".

No one is saying that there aren't ACTUAL bullies and bigots out there ... but it is an OUTRIGHT LIE to say that Christians are bigoted because they believe Biblical teaching to be true.

Nowhere will you find better examples of "Jamming" than in the schools.

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The Family Research Council ... FRC ... is an organization that was founded in 1992 ...

... and promotes a traditional Christian understanding of the family by influencing public policy and opinion.

In 2006 ... the Family Research Council released a report called ... "Homosexuality in Your Child's School" ...

... where they reveal that ... quote ... "the first issue raised by the advocates of homosexuality is invariably the same ... 'safety.'"

Gay activists' use of the word "safety" ... underlines the accuracy of Kirk and Madsen's 3-step structure. The way they influence society isn't a direct one.

For example, when talking about schools ... they often claim that all they want is a safe ... welcoming environment for SSA ... and questioning students ... to live their own lives in peace. <<**TURN TO CAM 1**>>

BUT ... gay activists are NEVER happy with securing a "non-discriminating" atmosphere. They're always pushing for more acceptance ... and finally approval ... of the gay lifestyle ... a lifestyle based on a disordered mindset ... and the sinful behaviors that flow from it.

There are a lot of organizations that work hard ... to corrupt the educational system with this destructive mentality. One of the main pro-homosexual groups ... is The Gay, Lesbian, and Straight Education Network ... also known as GLSEN ... which fights to "protect" homosexual or bisexual students ... from what they see as "discrimination".

But ... is that really all they're interested in doing? In 1988, Obama's safe schools czar Kevin Jennings and founder of GLSEN was involved with an incident that gives a good insight into the true mindset of the militant gay agenda.

Mr. Jennings, who is gay, gave shocking advice as a high school teacher to one of his students who had revealed to him that he was sexually involved with an older man. Instead of reporting the incident and advising the teen to end the relationship, he told him to use a condom.

He was also the keynote speaker at a disturbing GLSEN event back in 2000. The event taught high schoolers how to perform a range of dangerous and perverted homosexual sex acts, including fisting.

Militant gays want to shove the pro-homosexual mentality down your child's throat ... in an attempt to convert them to the homosexual agenda. Activists aren't just looking for an "appreciation of diversity" ... or "equal rights" ... or "mutual respect".

They want an entire culture that is explicitly pro-gay. Thus, Kirk and Madsen's third and final step is called ... Conversion.

They assert that once people become sympathetic to people with SSA ... the goal must be to actually convert them to the gay mentality ... because that is the only way to truly protect the gay lifestyle.<<TURN TO CAM 2>>

Back in 1997, a more subtle ... but still pro-gay message came from a surprising place. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. They released a document called "Always Our Children" which is vague and can easily be misconstrued to sound like an approval of homosexuality. Apparently it was composed by lay people, although the appearance is given that it was published by the bishops.

Two organizations ... The National Association for Research & Therapy of Homosexuality ... or NARTH ... and Courage ... the only Catholic Church approved apostolate for those who struggle with same sex attraction in their attempt to remain faithful to church teaching ... responded to the document with major concerns.

Both groups said the "wait and see" attitude that was suggested to parents in the USSCB document in regards to a child who might be gay was "dangerous". The NARTH critique mentions that QUOTE "the document fails to point out the evidence that homosexual inclination is developmentally disordered and more highly associated with pathology."

The Courage critique mentions that QUOTE "Neither can homosexual attraction be considered as a gift from God, except in the sense that suffering can be considered a gift ... Given the epidemic of sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV disease, among male homosexuals, advising parents to adopt a 'wait and see' attitude to same-sex experimentation among adolescents is an invitation to tragedy."

Fr. John Harvey, founder of Courage, concluded the Courage response to the USSCB document, saying ...

"We believe that the document needs substantive revision."<<TURN TO CAM 1>>

Recently, the now retired Cardinal Carlo Martini ... who was once considered a viable candidate for the

papacy ... stated in his book that he opposes Catholic moral teaching on same-sex marriage. He said QUOTE:

"I disagree with the positions of those in the Church, that take issue with civil unions... It is not bad, instead of casual sex between men, that two people have a certain stability... (the) ...state could recognize them..."

Just to be crystal clear ... here's Dr. Charles Rice, Professor Emeritus at the University of Notre Dame law School, explaining the church's ACTUAL position, which we'll go into more in depth later: <<ROLL RICE SOT>>

"The church teaches ... and this is overlooked ... the church teaches that the homosexual inclination is disordered ... because it's an inclination towards an intrinsically disordered act. If you look at the catechism, the first thing it says is homosexual acts or sexual acts or a homosexual nature are intrinsically disordered. Alright. Why? Because the gift of the sexuality activity is for unity and procreation of a marital sort. Alright. And uh ... The church teaches as you see in the catechism that those acts are intrinsically disordered. And the inclination is disordered. The inclination, however, is not a sin."
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Sadly ... the media isn't the only way that the gay movement is solidifying their acceptance in society. Now governments are beginning to establish laws forcing its citizens to accept homosexual relationships as equal to heterosexual ones.

3. CIVIL LAW AMERICA AND BEYOND The Military <<STAY ON CAM 1>>

Don't Ask Don't Tell was the official United States policy on homosexuals serving in the military for almost twenty years, enacted by President Bill Clinton on December 21, 1993. To get some background information and perspective on why Don't Ask Don't Tell ever came about ... here's a quote from E. Michael Jones, editor of Culture Wars magazine ... on Don't Ask Don't Tell:

"*Don't Ask Don't Tell* was the compromise position that the Clinton administration got largely because Clinton had accepted a large campaign contribution from David Geffen, who was a homosexual Hollywood mogul. And he had to do something to justify that large chunk of money, and the best he could get at that point was *Don't Ask Don't Tell*. So it was an interim solution. The trajectory of the sexual revolution is not going to stop with *Don't Ask Don't Tell*. And what we're seeing here is the government subjecting all the institutions that it has control over to this type of agenda...the mainstreaming of homosexuality...which is an extreme form of sexual liberation. Which is an undermining of the family, which is an undermining of the moral order, which means an increase of power to the people who have power." (19:50 - 20:49) <<MIKE BACK ON CAM 1>>

Don't Ask Don't Tell was officially repealed on September 20, 2011. Now homosexuals can openly serve in the military ranks. Some speculate that this is the US government's test case of how to enact pro-homosexual laws on a broader scale. They are able to see the reaction, so they'll know what to expect when laws are enacted nationally.<<TURN TO CAM 2>>

So what's so bad about the repeal of Don't Ask Don't Tell?

Troops say that the military is a place where you **MUST** put the group above the self. As a soldier, one forgoes voicing one's opinion on just about any personal view. Colonel John W. Ripley explains the importance of letting go of selfish desires:

“...to win in combat, and to keep focused on the mission, you have to subordinate, to subjugate individual instinct for self-preservation-and for personal protection or comfort-to the needs of the unit. The unit prevails. It is only the unit which you must consider. The unit, its preservation, and of course the mission. Nothing else matters. When an individual starts thinking about himself, or permits himself to be distracted by anything, this distraction can ultimately lead to destruction. In combat, if you are distracted, even for an instant you will get people killed and you will get yourself killed.”<<BACK ON CAM 2>>

Colonel Ripley goes on to say that there is a certain trust that soldiers have in their unit, which is broken once they find out that a fellow soldier is gay. Questions begin to arise of romantic interest on the battlefield, which can ruin the cohesiveness of a unit.

Other reservations stem from the high instances of HIV in the gay community. Critics may instantly yell "homophobia" <<pause, chuckle>> but the statistics back this up. The spilling of blood on the battlefield ... opens soldiers up to possible infection.

It's worth noting that in December 2011 ... the U.S. senate repealed the military ban on sodomy and bestiality as part of the overall bill.

When the sexual inclinations of a minority ... become more important to a nation than natural & moral law ... it's not long before civil laws are enacted to support these inclinations. And actually, this is already happening all around us.<<TURN TO CAM 1>>

So what's so important about homosexuality ... and sex in general ... that we'll change our laws to accommodate for it? Glenn Sunshine ...
History Department Chair at Central Connecticut State University ...

research fellow at the Acton Institute ... and author ... spells it out for us ... lamenting that today's version of happiness is QUOTE ...
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"fundamentally about sexual expression, the freedom to express whatever you think of as your sexual identity" ... and **this “[has become] our most essential human right.”**<<STAY ON CAM 1>>

And there it is. When sex is **THE** most important thing to a country ... when “the pursuit of happiness” is replaced by the pursuit of carnal pleasure ... **OF COURSE** that country is going to enact laws to normalize ... protect ... and one day even **celebrate** it ... whether it's straight, gay, or any other variation.

Something to remember ... once people separate procreation from sex ... it makes it really difficult to speak against homosexual behavior. This is because contraception makes sex mostly about pleasure.

So ... if you use contraception ... and thus believe sex is only about feeling good ... then you **HAVE** to be in favor of homosexual behavior and same-sex "marriage" ... because homosexual sex is only about feeling good too. This is a major reason why the majority of Americans are now in favor of gay “marriage.”

<<Marriage>>

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Same sex marriage. That band of gold has been the brass ring that militant gays have been grasping at for years. And it has become one of the biggest, most divisive debates of our time.

Four different polls released in 2011 show that ... after a steady increase in support ... over half of all Americans are now on their side. In addition, the Obama administration recently decided that it will pick and choose which laws it wants to uphold when it said that the Defense of Marriage Act or DOMA is no longer defensible. So it might be just a matter of time before gay marriage is the law of the land.

In America ... at the time of recording this show ... it's already legal in eight states ... Connecticut, Iowa, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Vermont, Maryland, Washington and Washington D.C.

Worldwide, it is legal in ten countries: Canada, Argentina, South Africa, Belgium, Iceland, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Denmark and Sweden. As of 2012, proposals exist to introduce same-sex marriage in at least ten other countries.

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Before we get into the arguments ... let's define the term marriage as it has been understood for millenia. Princeton Professor Robert George sums it up with "...a comprehensive interpersonal union that is consummated and renewed by acts of organic bodily union and oriented to the bearing and rearing of children."

Professor George is simply saying that historically, marriage is between two people who, together, can create and raise children.

It is true that there have been other forms of marriage ... such as polygamy ... over the centuries ... however ... these other forms have always been between men and women ... not men and men or women and women.

Even if certain peoples or cultures allowed a man to take multiple wives ... it was still a man marrying and having intercourse with a woman ... not with another man. And in addition, it was always seen with an eye to children.

With these thoughts in mind ... here's some of the common arguments you might hear in favor of so-called "marriage" for people of the same sex.

"So what is the big deal? If Bob and Steve down the block want to get married ... go for it ... it's not hurting me!"

Or ... "My gay friends love each other! How is LOVE a bad thing? Who are we to stand in the way of them getting married?"

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Let's look at some research that addresses both of these arguments. A 2001 study done in the Netherlands sheds light on the effects of acting out on homosexual desires. The study found that men who reported homosexual contact within the last twelve months ...

... were much more likely than males with no homosexual contact to experience major depression, bipolar disorder, panic disorder, agoraphobia and obsessive compulsive disorder. Females with same-sex contact in the past twelve months.. were likewise more likely to have major depression, social phobia and alcohol dependence.

The researchers were worried that they might have even underestimated the level of disparity between heterosexuals and homosexuals.. This is significant because the Netherlands is **VERY** accepting of

homosexuality.

So societal pressure or the homophobia factor cannot be looked at as the cause of psychological issues for these homosexual men and women. One can conclude that it's their BEHAVIOR that's causing the problem.

Any compassionate person ... would want to make sure that their neighbor or friend would avoid any relationship that was shown to have those kinds of results.

Another study ... conducted in the 1980s by Professors McWhirter and Mattison ... a same sex couple themselves ... studied homosexual male relationships. Their goal was to prove that these relationships are monogamous and healthy.

However ... their conclusion showed that these relationships were anything but healthy. They found that QUOTE "the expectation for outside sexual activity was the rule for male couples and the exception for heterosexuals."

Here's yet another study that confirms the unhealthy psychology of homosexuality...this one done by research scientist, biochemist and author Dr. Neil Whitehead. He states that one of the men he interviewed, named "Rotello" who is openly gay ... admitted that 'the outlaw aspect of gay sexual culture.. its transgressiveness, is seen by many men as one of its greatest attributes.'

Dr. Whitehead concludes that "Same-sex eroticism becomes for many, therefore, the central value of existence.. and nothing else...not even life and health itself...is allowed to interfere with pursuit of this lifestyle. Homosexual promiscuity fuels the AIDS crisis in the West ... but even that tragedy is not allowed to interfere with sexual freedom."

Yet another study shows how homosexuality negatively affects mental health. In a 2008 Canadian study, Michael Tjepkema found that Gay men, lesbians and bisexual people from Canada were more likely than heterosexuals to consult mental health service providers.

Whether or not a gay couple could be faithful in a so called "gay marriage" relationship ... this union still lacks the organic bodily union which children come from. And furthermore, if the government legalizes it ... then what's to stop polygamy ... a marriage with more than two partners ... or zoophilia ... a marriage between a human and animal ... from being allowed?

And if you think ... NO WAY ... that would never happen. Well, just look at a recent story from Canada where a man from British Columbia is on trial for practicing bestiality with his dogs. He considers his relationships to be like a marriage and thinks that sex with animals should be legal.

A different, but equally compelling argument against gay marriage is made by former MIT doctoral student, Adam Kolasinski.

He argues that states prevent many different couples from marrying ... half of all states do not allow first cousins to wed ... and all states prohibit the marriage of closer blood relatives and multiple spouses.

That's because when the state recognizes marriage ... there are certain benefits that come with it ... which significantly cost the state ... and other taxpayers.

Benefits like the ability to claim an extra tax exemption for your spouse ... the transfer of a deceased spouse's social security to the living spouse ... or being covered under a spouse's health insurance policy.

In a sense, a married couple receives a subsidy. Because a marriage between two unrelated heterosexuals ... is likely to result in a family with children ... and propagation of society is a positive compelling state interest. For

this reason ... states have ... in varying degrees ... restricted couples who are unlikely to produce children from marrying.

The state has an interest in protecting and lifting up the institution that will provide the next generation. And since it does this at a financial cost, it can't throw around this benefit willy nilly.

Our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI weighed in on the topic, saying:

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"The generous and dissoluble love of a man and woman is the effective context and the foundation of human life in its gestation in the birth and growth and its natural end." (:21 - :38)

The supreme pontiff has also used stronger words, stating that so-called same sex marriage QUOTE "undermines the future of humanity itself." He went on to say that QUOTE "the family unit is fundamental for the educational process and for the development both of individuals and States." "It is in the family that we become open to the world and to life ..." and "openness to life is a sign of openness to the future."

The pope is right. BUT ... homosexuals would argue ... they can adopt. They would also argue that it's better to have two homosexual parents that CHOSE to have a child rather than two heterosexual parents that may not have. But the late Dr. A. Dean Byrd, former president of NARTH would disagree. He summed up the results of decades of research showing that children need both a father and a mother in order to develop into emotionally mature adults. Dr. Byrd stated that QUOTE "Children navigate the developmental stages more easily, are more solid in their gender identity, perform better in academic tasks at school, have fewer emotional disorders and become better functioning adults when they are reared by dual-gender parents."

Catholic adoption agencies know this, which is why they won't place children with same sex couples. Unfortunately, some states disagree with this stance. The Illinois state legislature passed a requirement which mandates adoption and foster-care agencies to consider same-sex couples as potential foster-care or adoptive parents ... if they want to be eligible for state money.

The bishops in Illinois decided to close shop on most of the Catholic Charities affiliates in the state. The same thing has already happened in Massachusetts and Washington D.C.

And it may soon affect ALL states. A new bill has been introduced called the "Every Child Deserves A Family" Act, which would QUOTE "prohibit discrimination in adoption or foster care placements based on the sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of any prospective adoptive or foster parent, or the sexual orientation or gender identity of the child involved."

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There are numerous reasons why the gay agenda leads us in a morally wrong direction. We've pointed out many of the dangers. But unfortunately, these dangers aren't stopping governments from pushing acceptance of this lifestyle on other countries under the guise of a "human rights" issue.

<<The Worldwide Push>>

Africa, Latin America, and Eastern Europe are concerned that the gay agenda is being pushed on them. In a January 2012 speech to the 54 African nations at the African Union Summit in Addis Ababa, UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon told African countries to repeal criminal laws that place sanctions on homosexual conduct and to stop discrimination because of sexual orientation or gender identity.

Earlier, in a December 2011 speech at the United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton stated that gay rights and human rights are "one and the same." It has even been suggested that the Obama administration would tie foreign aid to acceptance of the homosexual agenda...although the National Security Council's spokeswoman flatly denies this claim.

Family Research Council's Peter Sprigg responded to this issue with some good insights:

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"If this was any other issue, we'd be accused of cultural Imperialism, imposing Western values on foreign countries that have values on their own. It shows how fanatical that the Obama administration is about pressing this homosexual agenda " *flash* "The Obama administration seems to be acting on the presumption that there is an international consensus that engaging in homosexual conduct is a fundamental human right. It's ironic that they are pushing this issue while at the same time de-emphasizing the recognized right of religious liberty."

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So how did we get here? What has brought us from rightly calling homosexuality a sin ... to having our governments embrace it and attempt to spread it around the world? Let's take a brief look at some important points in the history of the movement, clear up a few misconceptions, and see how acceptance has slowly increased over the years.

<<HISTORY>>

Before we get into the history of the homosexual movement ... consider this basic point ... throughout history and especially in our current state of affairs ... the homosexual movement has NEVER been concerned with ... quote "achieving equal civil rights."

Militant homosexual activists' goal is to impose their view of a disordered sexual lifestyle on the public ... coercing society to embrace the moral beliefs of this tiny and deeply troubled majority. Remember that homosexuals make up only between two and four percent of the population...however a substantial portion of the public believes that it's as high as twenty five percent.

It isn't about quote "equality" for homosexual activists ... it's about total domination and control ... and in the process ... those afflicted with same sex attraction are marginalized by those same activists who collapse the value of the human person into a deviant sexual lifestyle ... that means nothing but a lifetime of misery.

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The first example many people point to in history ... in order to argue the validity of homosexuality ... is ancient Greece. Records show that some of the males in this culture participated in homosexual behavior which was acceptable and even celebrated. Here's where a distinction needs to be made. It **WASN'T** two free men that were the participants ... after all, a Greek man could actually lose his citizenship for taking the passive role in a homosexual sex act...something that is never talked about. The relationship was actually between a man and pubescent boy, which was deemed acceptable by their culture at the time. This pederastic bond was that of a mentor/mentee, where the man romanced his "beloved" while at the same time teaching him the ways of the world. But this **ONLY** lasted until he reached manhood. In addition, it is argued by some that these pederastic relationships may have been reserved only for the aristocracy. The person abused in that relationship may also have been a slave.

Today, the Greek example is often cited as proof that homosexuality is normal. However, there are several problems with this argument. First, just because something happened at one point in history ... which only very limited portions of society approved of ... doesn't make it good. Second, these relationships were only temporary in nature. Once the boy could grow a beard ... this signified manhood to the Greeks ... the pairing was over. At this point the elder male would get married to a woman and have children. Third ... aren't these relationships ... that is, between a man and a boy ... the same ones society condemns today? How many sane individuals support the North American Man Boy Love Association ... better known as NAMBLA? NAMBLA is currently lobbying to make relationships between a man and a boy legal. **(FIND PROOF - KALAHAN)**

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Homosexuality continued to exist over the centuries, but the phrase "homosexual" wasn't actually USED until 1869. Up until that point, it was referred to as sodomy, which comes from the Biblical story of Sodom and Gomorrah. A man by the name of Karl-Maria KURT-BENNIE (Kertbeny) invented the word "homosexual" and first used it in an anonymous leaflet arguing against an "unnatural fornication" law in Germany. In a sense, he wanted to normalize what people had previously considered an abnormal behavior. Kertbeny believed that homosexual behavior was an inherent ... and therefore unchangeable condition.

Over time, his new term radically changed people's understanding of humanity.

All of a sudden, instead of heterosexuality being the natural sexual orientation ... there are now two designs ... heterosexuals and homosexuals.

Around the turn of the century, a new figure steps forward with some interesting perspectives. The father of modern psychology, Sigmund Freud, believed that we are all born bisexual ...and that we become heterosexual or homosexual as a result of our experiences with parents and others. Thus, Freud didn't see homosexuality as a form of pathology, but simply a variation.

It should be noted that future psychoanalysts rejected Freud's assumption of inherent bisexuality, arguing instead that heterosexuality is natural and that homosexuality is a "reparative" attempt to achieve sexual pleasure when normal heterosexual outlet proves too threatening.

Following Freud, in 1948 ... just 3 years after the end of World War II ... sex researcher Dr. Alfred C. Kinsey ...

...released his New York Times' Bestseller ... "Sexual Behavior in the Human Male".

He followed it 5 years later with ... "Sexual Behavior in the Human Female".

Kinsey's nauseatingly systematic examination of every minute facet of sexual behavior ... blew the top off of sexual morality.

His books made some very dramatic ... and **FALSE** claims which painted the average American as wild and uninhibited in bed.

The Kinsey Report also claimed that approximately 10 percent of the male population between the ages of 16 and 55 is homosexual.

If the Kinsey Report is true ... people thought ... then there must be way more homosexuals in society than everybody realized. It is now known that Kinsey **LIED** about his test subject's backgrounds. He claimed they were normal, everyday citizens ... when in fact they were deviants, criminals and child molesters. This **DRASTICALLY** changed his results.

The **ACTUAL** percentage of homosexuals in the male population is around 2 percent. This is according to one of the most thorough nationwide surveys done on male sexual behavior ... which was conducted by scientists at Battelle Human Affairs Research Centers in Seattle.

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To give you an idea of how truly disturbing Kinsey's tests were ... he included a great deal of information on childhood sexual experiences including ... for example ... at what age children could achieve orgasm ... the amount of time it took children to reach orgasm ... and whether or not they were capable of multiple orgasms.

Kinsey had actively advertised for information on childhood sexual experience ... trolling for pedophiles and anyone else who might have "interesting experiences" ... and asking them to send their "data" to him.

He heavily relied on information of child sexual abuse from one man in particular ... Rex King ... a government land examiner in the Southwestern United States.

Kinsey drove across the country to have a secret meeting with this man who kept meticulous journals of his

sexual abuse of hundreds of children. These diaries included physical measurements and stopwatch records to the hundredths of a second. To protect this criminal, Kinsey gave him the code name "Mr. Green":

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"This individual was, I suppose you might say sex, his interest in sex was his main hobby in life. Anything was a sexual object for him. He was interested in having sex with men, women, and children, and animals and he just was curious to see what would happen... He had had intercourse with hundreds upon hundreds of males and females of every conceivable age... He molested at least 800 boys and girls, recording the details in explicit hand-written diaries... In his book, and based primarily on Green's information, Kinsey claimed that children could, with the assistance of an experienced adult enjoy sexual activity from the moment they were born."

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Basically, then ... Kinsey was ... at least tacitly ... encouraging people to masturbate, penetrate and otherwise torment children in order to study so-called childhood sexuality.

Because Kinsey was able to keep his disgusting research tactics hidden at the time ... his fraudulent work became the spark that ignited the sexual revolution.

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Which brings us to the 1960s. One of the first homosexual rights picket lines took place in front of the White House in May of 1965. Two months later, the same thing happened in Philadelphia right in front of Independence Hall.

Just a few years later ... on June 28, 1969 ... the homosexual movement reached a tipping point. The Stonewall Inn in Greenwich Village, New York ... which was a known gay bar ...

... was the scene for a series of riots after it was raided by the police. Many say this was **THE** event that launched the so-called gay rights movement.

But even the Stonewall riots would not have been able to achieve the momentum they did if it was not for a man by the name of Harry Hay. Co-founder of The MAT-uh-SHEEN Society in 1950 ... one of the first gay rights organizations in the United States ... Hay worked for decades to further the gay rights movement. A lifelong friend of the Communist Party and supporter of NAMBLA, Hay was a radical through and through. He always thought the mainstream gay movement was too assimilated into society. Hay even admits that no one would sign his five-page manifesto for the Mattachine Society ... one man saying it was the most dangerous thing he had ever read.

From Kertbeny to Freud to Kinsey to Hay to Stonewall ... the terminology had now been changed to make homosexuality sound more natural ... a few influential men had granted those with same-sex attraction the license to act out on their desires ...

... and now the gay agenda had set its sights on hijacking our legal system to turn their demands into law.

The gay rights movement of this period believed that it was time for a revolution. It is important to note the date of the Stonewall riots ... 1969.

This gay movement's timebomb was set off in the midst of the Civil Rights Movement. While Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King Jr. were working for equal acceptance as human beings ... homosexuals were pushing for acceptance of their "lifestyle".

It is not by accident that gay activists jumped on the civil rights bandwagon. Who could argue with the Civil Rights movement?

Many today use the civil rights movement ... and its provocative language ... like Dr. King's "I Have a Dream" speech ... as metaphors for the homosexual agenda.

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However, not everyone agrees with that comparison. When the Southern Poverty Law Center, which has traditionally sought to counteract racist groups in the south, started bashing pro-family groups who stand against the homosexual agenda, black pastors vehemently protested. Pastor Patrick Wooden, an African American pastor bristled at the notion, saying QUOTE

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"I think every African-American ought to be appalled, ought to be angry, and begin to wave their fist in the air and declare black power and say to the homosexual lobbyists, the homosexual groups, how dare you compare your wicked, deviant, immoral, self-destructive, anti-human sexual behavior to our beautiful skin color."

Homosexual activists claim that sexual orientation is no different than skin color.

Chosen sexual behavior is vastly different than skin color.

The civil rights movement that took place in the 1960s was about ensuring the equality between different races.

The so-called "human rights" movement that is taking place now is about endorsing and embracing a lifestyle that goes against natural law, is destructive to the fabric of society ... and tells people that sexual pleasure ... derived from whatever source ... is the only litmus test of what is important in life.

The problem here, as we heard earlier from Adam Kolasinski, is that homosexuals don't offer the state the advantages that a heterosexual couple would. Put another way, the government encourages traditional marriage because it has the virtue of continuing the human race and building the economy.

There is no reason for the government to allow gay marriage because the government does not benefit from it.

Yet ... the homosexual activists don't care and didn't stop with their hijacking of the civil rights jargon. They next turned their sights on science ... and set out to "prove" that their behavior was healthy and natural in the scientific realm.

<<THE POLITICS OF DIAGNOSIS>>

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After the Stonewall Riots, as the first gay pride parades were taking place ...

... organizations devoted to promoting the homosexual cause were forming ... and now activists turned their attention to changing the American Psychiatric Association's ruling that homosexuality is a mental disorder.

The APA decided to remove homosexuality from their list of mental disorders ... back in 1973. American author and journalist Charles Kaiser has called this decision "**the most important victory for the modern gay rights movement**". The late Dr. Charles Socarides (sock-uh-REE-dees), an attendee of the APA conferences and an expert on homosexuality, didn't mince words, when he called the decision "**the medical hoax of the century.**"

It's interesting to note ... there's a similar attack on the APA going on today. Just as activists pressured the APA to change the ruling on homosexuality back in the 70s, activists today are trying to get the APA to change the ruling that sexual relationships between adults and children ... or pederasty ... is a mental disorder. They've even concocted a new term for it ... to make the perversion sound normal ... intergenerational sexual intimacy.

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So let's take a closer look at the 1973 decision ... which was anything but an open and shut case. There was a maelstrom of controversy swirling around this issue.

A man by the name of Dr. Ronald Bayer ... who was a pro-gay psychiatrist ... explains what really happened.

He covers the events that led up to the landmark 1973 APA ruling in his book ... *Homosexuality and American Psychiatry: The Politics of Diagnosis.*

Bayer reveals that the gay infiltration of the APA started back in 1968. Gay activists left leaflets at the APA conference ... trying to get members to see homosexuality as normal ... not a disorder. Apparently this didn't have the desired impact ... so gay activists barged into the APA conference in San Francisco in 1970 ... shouting protests against psychiatrists who viewed homosexuality as a mental disorder.

At the 1971 APA conference ... the protests continued ... this time in a more organized fashion. The Gay Liberation Front ... a group formed immediately after the Stonewall riots ... put together the protest.

Tensions were certainly high ... at one point ... a gay activist by the name of Frank Kameny ... working in a coordinated effort with the GLF ... entered the conference ... grabbed the microphone and yelled ...

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"Psychiatry is the enemy incarnate. Psychiatry has waged a relentless war of extermination against us. You may take this as a declaration of war against you ... We're rejecting you all as our owners."

Homosexuals actually forged APA credentials ... and got into exhibit areas in the conference. They disrupted some of the talks with loud chants and profanity, preventing any rational debate on the topic. They also threatened to tear down a booth that promoted a therapy which used punishment as a way to stop gay impulses and shouted at anyone who claimed that homosexuals needed to be cured.

During the '72 conference ... Kameny had made the acquaintance of an APA official ... named Kent Robinson. Robinson helped Kameny present his demand ... that homosexuality be removed as a mental disorder. He was also allowed to be part of a panel of psychiatrists discussing homosexuality even though he himself was not one.

At that same conference ... gay activists set up a display entitled "Gay, Proud and Healthy."

Slowly but surely ... they were getting the attention of APA members for their agenda.

Another major happening at the '72 conference ... was a presentation given by a masked gay psychiatrist that spoke positively of homosexuality. "Dr. H. Anonymous" ... as he was called ... donned a mask ... and disguised his voice ... to prevent any repercussions from his APA peers. He was later unmasked as John E. Fryer.

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So ... as you can see ... it was quite a contentious atmosphere. It appears that while many still held on to the view that homosexuality was a mental disorder ... a certain amount of pressure from gays was building to remove it from the list of mental illnesses. But forget all the political stuff ... what were the facts about same sex attraction?

Gay apologists argue ... that the work of many respected psychiatrists, scientists and researchers ... was studied to help them determine whether or not to change the APA's classification of homosexuality.

While they DID look at research ... it was questionable at best. One of these so-called "experts" was Alfred Kinsey ... a man we mentioned earlier ... whose bestselling books *Sexual Behavior in the Human Male* and *Sexual Behavior in the Human Female* have essentially become the modern day textbooks on sex. It was from these studies ... that it was determined homosexuality was much more common than we originally believed. As we mentioned earlier ... Kinsey stated that 10% of Americans had homosexual experiences. However ... Kinsey lied about his test subject's backgrounds ... claiming they were average folks ... when the truth is that they were sexual deviants, convicted criminals and pederasts.

Another one of the experts ... who we mentioned earlier ... is the ubiquitous Sigmund Freud. It is true that Freud's work is seen as foundational for modern day psychiatry (although it's debatable whether that's a good thing or not). But his view that we are all born bisexual ... and society **CONDITIONS** us to be attracted to the opposite sex is ridiculous.

And then there's Evelyn Hooker ... another so called "expert" used in the APA's reversal on homosexuality. In

the 1940's ... Hooker befriended members of the Mattachine Society, a gay activist organization. They convinced her to do a study of homosexuality on their behalf ... with the desire to further the gay movement. This "study" had blatantly pre-arranged outcomes ... because the subjects of the so called study were all selected by ... you guessed it ... the Mattachine Society. Just to clarify, the sole mission of the society was to "develop the homosexual ethic". So it's easy to see that by having this group choose the subjects for the study ... it in effect ... removed all scientific objectivity. The Journal of Projective Techniques, the journal that published her study ... even admitted that her methodology was inadequate.

Hooker ... at one point ... even confessed that homosexuals may very well be pathological!

And **THIS** is some of the "**EVIDENCE**" that the American Psychiatric Association looked at?!?!?!?

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Just before the vote took place ... the National Gay Task Force sent letters to the approximately 18,000 APA members ... asking them to support the removal of homosexuality from the list. Some of the APA psychiatrists who supported this viewpoint signed the letter. Only this mailing failed to mention that it was partially composed ... and completely funded by the Task Force! They made it appear as though it was composed and paid for solely by those psychiatrists who had signed it.

The issue was put to a vote at the 1973 APA conference... and homosexuality was removed from the list of disorders ... although it wasn't a landslide by any means (58% voted in favor ... 37% voted against).

British historian Roy Porter pointed out that the APA was defining and, in this case ... abolishing a disease ... by a show of hands ... and that, he thought ... was a big problem.

As Dr. Ronald Bayer, the pro-gay psychiatrist admits, QUOTE ...

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"The result was not a conclusion based upon an approximation of the scientific truth as dictated by reason, but was instead an action demanded by the ideological temper of the times."

In an interview for *This American Life*, Dr. Bayer sums it up best ... that ultimately the origin of homosexuality is not a scientific question ... but a moral one.

Another pro-gay activist ... Barbara Gittings ... who was significant in helping bring about the '73 decision ... had this to say:

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"It never was a medical decision—and that's why I think the action came so fast. After all, it was only three years from the time that feminists and gays first zapped the APA at a behavior therapy session to the time that the Board of Trustees voted in 1973 to approve removing homosexuality from the list of mental disorders. It was a political move."

Now that we have a basic historical perspective on homosexuality, let's look at what science and natural law have to say about it.

<<SCIENCE AND NATURAL LAW>>

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Have you ever heard the "born this way" argument?

It says that a person is born with a genetic makeup that causes them to be homosexual. It has become **THE** main way that gay activists get the masses to jump on the bandwagon.

After all ... if God made a person gay ... then it **CAN'T** be wrong.

But this argument doesn't stand up to scrutiny by scientists, mental health experts ... or those who simply

believe in natural law.

We'll get to the first two in a minute. With natural law ... all you have to do is look at the male and female bodies. They're made for each other. They fit together. By themselves, they don't make sense. But together, they create new life. And so ... it's easy to see ... that they are natural mates.

On the flip side ... two men or two women's bodies ... obviously do not complement each other. They are not a natural fit. And new life can't come from their bodily union.

Let's forget about natural law for a minute. Even if homosexuality was written into a man or woman's genetic code ... that doesn't mean it's good and healthy.

Scientific studies suggest ... that some individuals are born with a genetic predisposition towards alcoholism, crime or pathology. But we don't tell them to get drunk because it's in their genes.

Scientific studies have also shown that individuals can have a predisposition toward a variety of psychological issues like depression ... crime ... and pathology.

However ... and let's be crystal clear on this ... scientists have definitely proven that there is **NO SUCH THING AS A GAY GENE**.

Some gay researchers themselves actually tell us ... that homosexuality is not caused **ONLY** by genes ... but by a variety of factors ... even though they still try to say that SSA has something to do with genetic makeup.

Various scientific studies say that there are predispositions to a variety of behaviors & human activities ... none of which we say are good, and we try to cure all of them.

Dr. Julie Hamilton ... a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and former Assistant Professor of Psychology at Palm Beach Atlantic University ... gives us a formula that shows SSA as a nature **AND** nurture issue:

Pay attention to her explanation ... Dr. Hamilton is **NOT** saying that there is a gay gene. She is merely pointing out that genes are part of what compose a person's identity ... but there isn't a gene that "makes" people gay.

First ... Genes **PLUS** brain wiring ... **PLUS** prenatal hormonal environment ... **EQUALS** temperament.

Then you have ... Parents **PLUS** peers ... **PLUS** experiences ... **EQUALS** environment.

Finally ... add temperament ... and environment together ... and you get the whole picture ... of what causes homosexual orientation.

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Let's zoom in on one of those variables ... a very important one ... parenting. Specifically ... the role of fatherhood.

Researchers have learned much about the enormous effect that fathers have ... on the formation of gender identity in their sons.

A poor father-son relationship ... can be a **SIGNIFICANT** factor to a boy developing same-sex attraction. Let's listen to this quote from Dr. Hamilton explaining what can happen with this formative bond:

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"So, if a boy does not perceive that his father wants that relationship and is safe and welcoming, then he's going to have difficulty connecting with him." ... "...if he has sensed rejection, he will detach from the father internally and what the father represents. They call this *defensive detachment*." ... "Now deep down inside he's

still craving that, he's still craving for that acceptance and love of his father... but he just can't take the rejection and so he detaches. So instead of, umm, soaking in masculinity at this very important stage, he continues to stay connected with his mother and he soaks in femininity" (?) (10:37 - 10:44) (10:53 - 11:12)

Dr. Hamilton goes on to say that it's common for an elementary school-aged boy who is on a possible path to homosexuality to spend time with the girls. He will watch the boys from afar ... and wish he could just be "one of the guys". But all this time ... he's just getting a stronger sense of femininity ... and what females are all about. So, by the time this boy reaches puberty ... he isn't going to be interested in the opposite sex. He already knows all about them. What he IS curious about are boys. As you can imagine ... the sexualizing of this curiosity is a strong possibility during puberty.

Female homosexuality ... on the other hand ... is slightly more complicated. Dr. Richard Fitzgibbons ... director of the Institute for Marital Healing outside Philadelphia ... summarizes it quite well:

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"Major origins of homosexual attraction in females are the result first, a mistrust of male love. That is, a certain fear of becoming vulnerable of giving oneself, of surrendering to male love. The origins of that tend to be trauma in the father relationship, is the most common. Second, trauma in pure relationships especially dating relationships in this culture which are so sexualized and narcissistic and the other cause is weak feminine identity, this comes from not enough nurturing of female love."

<<STAY ON CAM 2>>

The American Psychiatric Association ... the world's largest psychiatric organization ... and it should be noted a supporter of active homosexuality as a so-called "healthy lifestyle" ... actually agrees that a variety of factors contribute to an individual's homosexuality. In 2009, they released a brochure that pointed to a slew of factors:

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"There is no consensus among scientists about the exact reasons that an individual develops a heterosexual, bisexual, gay or lesbian orientation. Although much research has examined the possible genetic, hormonal, developmental, social, and cultural influences on sexual orientation, no findings have emerged that permit scientists to conclude that sexual orientation is determined by any particular factor or factors. Many think that nature and nurture both play complex roles. ..."

So the picture is starting to become a bit clearer. It appears that homosexuals **WEREN'T** just "born this way" ... but came to have same sex attraction because of numerous factors.

Now let's hear about some of the recommendations that experts within the Catholic church have proposed to address unwanted same sex attraction.

<<HAVE COURAGE>>

We are all guilty ... in some way ... for allowing the homosexual movement to become the social juggernaut that it is now. And some are certainly more culpable than others. So now ... more than ever ... it's time to fight back. Where do we start? Let's turn once again to Dr. Charles Rice, who has a great suggestion:

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"Well, you have to form your conscience you see. As Lumen Gentium from the Second Vatican Council said, your first duty with respect to your conscience is to form it. And for a Catholic, that means to form it in accord with the teaching of the church. So, if we look at the question, why are people soft on the homosexual issue ... I'll tell you why they're soft on it, because of the failure of the teaching church...the Bishops, the local churches... to teach the truths on the transmission of life." (Dr. Rice quote) (54:53 - 55:31)

While some may think that Dr. Rice is too rough on the bishops ... Cardinal Dolan ... the president of the United States Conference of Catholic bishops agrees!

In an interview published in the Wall Street Journal on March 31, 2012 ... Cardinal Dolan describes his confusion and frustration at how Obama handled the HHS mandate that all insurance providers cover contraceptives in their plans.

Cardinal Dolan then lays a large portion of the blame on the bishops for so many Catholics supporting this measure ... and the use of contraception in general:

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“I’m not afraid to admit that we have an internal catechetical challenge—a towering one—in convincing our own people of the moral beauty and coherence of what we teach. That’s a biggie ... We have gotten gun-shy ... in speaking with any amount of cogency on chastity and sexual morality ... [Humanae Vitae] brought such a tsunami of dissent, departure, disapproval of the church, that I think most of us—and I’m using the first-person plural intentionally, including myself—kind of subconsciously said, 'Whoa. We’d better never talk about that, because it’s just too hot to handle.' We forfeited the chance to be a coherent moral voice when it comes to one of the more burning issues of the day.”

It takes a very honest ... a very humble man to make such a self-condemning admission. It also takes a leader to stand up like this and start to lead his flock back down the path of holiness.

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If you or someone you know needs to brush up on what the Church teaches regarding same sex attraction ... it’s as easy as finding a catechism. If you know someone who struggles with same sex attraction ... point them to the countercultural Catholic apostolate named Courage. Here’s the executive director of Courage International, Fr. Paul Check, to help us understand what the group is:

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"Courage is the Catholic Church's apostolate to men and women with same sex attraction. And it is...uh, commonly understood that the only thing that the church offers to people with this difficulty is the word "no". But indeed there's much more." (:36-:54)

Fr. Check also sums up the argument against the claim that "homosexuality is natural". He does this by pointing us to the scripture passage where Jesus reminds us what God's original intention was for man and woman. Then, Fr. Check lists off all of the things ... not just homosexuality ... that fall short of this original design.

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"So what we're gonna do, is take the argument from design. This is the argument that Jesus used. 'It was not always thus that Moses allowed divorce, but rather let's go back to the beginning. What did God intend? One man. One woman. Faithful. Generous. Permanent. Exclusive. And this is the way to joy. This is the way to life. And anything that fails that test, is going to be something that produces unhappiness. And so the church doesn't have two standards, one for heterosexuals and for homosexual activity. There's one standard. And so there are many things that would fall outside that standard. Do you want me to list them? Contraception. Fornication. Masturbation. Tubal ligation. Vasectomy. Adultery. Invitro fertilization. Artificial insemination. Pornography. Lust. They all fail that one standard. That one design. Which is God's wisdom for human intimacy and sexual love." (2:16 - 3:20)

Courage put out a DVD a few years back called "Portraits of Courage", which features interviews with people who struggle with same sex attraction and the amazing grace of chastity within the Courage group. Here's one of the interviews from that DVD:

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“My journey to Courage, you know, was a bit of a journey first of all to learn about Courage. I find it has made a difference because **before I felt alone, I felt isolated, I didn't know if there was anyone else who was a Catholic, who felt this way, who wanted to be faithful to the teaching of the church. It's given me the foundation to know what the church teaches, to understand myself, to understand some of the inner workings of the kind of the roots of the homosexual struggle and how to deal with that as a healthy mature person.**”

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Catholics need to stand up for victim souls like him ... and for other men and women struggling with same-sex attraction ... for Christ ... and for the truth.

We are called to testify to the truth ... no matter what people say or think. And know that you will encounter fierce resistance ... maybe even hatred. You will be labeled a bigot. A homophobe. But remember the words of our Lord found in the Gospel of John:

"If the world hates you, realize that it hated me first. If you belonged to the world, the world would love its own; but because you do not belong to the world, and I have chosen you out of the world, the world hates you."

THE COMPASSIONATE TRUTH

The Church's authoritative teaching on homosexuality starts with the essence of what a relationship is and how that union is connected to God ... a properly formed relationship is imperative to the ultimate happiness of both parties.

To obtain the beatific vision ... a person must respect and know his entire being ... namely ... mind ... body ... and soul ... the most important aspect is the person's soul because it is everlasting and will carry that person into eternity.

So ... the focus of our lives should be God... we must know who He is and what He desires for our life ESPECIALLY in our relationships ... to know God and view this courtship properly ... we must pray and study.
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We obviously cannot treat the entirety of whom God is ... but we can broach the subject.

God is a wonderfully awesome being ... perfect in himself ... who is a brilliant light ... and He has shown us glimpses of this throughout scriptural history.

The most telling example of this comes to us in the story of the transfiguration ... when God for a brief moment becomes luminous and shows those with Him who He really was – a gleaming light ... the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke all describe it ... and 2 Peter also refers to it.

To put it another way ... imagine for a second that the most attractive person who ever lived wanted a relationship with you ... this person is not only attractive but he (or she) has the best personality ... amazingly successful ... and is rather charismatic – a perfect ten. In a similar way ... this is who God is ... He is all those named qualities and much (much) more.

The extent of His radiance is beyond our human reason ... but it nonetheless exists ... and we know it to be true through a myriad of sources ... either personally or through scripture and sacred tradition.

The very act of Jesus giving Himself ... body ... blood ... soul ... and divinity ... in the Eucharist is evidence of this great love.

God calls each person to an ever-deeper relationship with Him within the constraints of his or her vocation ... whether that is consecrated ... married ... or single life.

God wants you and everyone to be one of His children ... and eventually make it to heaven ... that is the end game ... it is a battle we are in at this very moment ... an epic battle ... that must be won ... If we do not ... the consequences are eternally damning.

In the same way ... God also wants you to be capable of returning his Fatherly love with your brother ... a love designated and blessed by Him ... this means certain relationships will be off limits ... but more on that later.
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As we can start to see ... God views relationships in the highest regard ... even connecting our salvation to them ... scripture is clear on this point when God calls the Kingdom of heaven a buried treasure worth selling all your goods for.

So ... we now understand a little of who God is and why a relationship with God is important ... our next step is to know and understand his constraints ... or his desires for mankind.

<<The Holy Spirit Convicts The World Of Sin>>

God gives us this relationship freely ... but we must respond according to His will ... God is always faithful to us ... we need to return the favor.

To receive this friendship ... we must reject and abhor sin ... including homosexual behavior ... that is ... acts in which the purposeful intent is to arouse or stimulate a sexual response in a person of the same sex.

The Catholic Church ... because Christ has given her the keys ... has always taught and acted correctly in the area of homosexual behavior ... calling it a sin and declaring that these acts are always serious violations of the divine and natural law.

Two men or two women wanting to get married is a violation of what God desires for those individuals ... no matter how much "in love" they feel ... remember ... we are partakers in the creative plan of God ... and not deciders or our own Gods ... as Satan would like us to believe.

We ... as fallen beings ... may have many such sinful desires ... disorder or ordered ... for example ... a person with a same-sex attraction ... a disordered attraction ... such as Adam and Steve or Maria and Sally are called by God to fight against these sinful passions.

Keep in mind ... those with sinful thoughts are not committing mortal sins ... for a mortal sin to be committed we must bring the desire to reality ... and even then ... we need to meet some other criteria ... but let us save that for another discussion.

We are going to assume that the person has full knowledge ... the person exhibits full will ... and that homosexual behavior ... which it is ... is grave matter in all circumstances.

For example ... let's say Bill has a desire for men and recognizes it is wrong ... Bill struggles with this attraction ... and finally decides one day to have homosexual sex ... in these circumstances ... Bill has committed a mortal sin.

Bill and his partner ... have objectively lost their relationship with God through the loss of sanctifying grace ... but ... through God's infinite mercy ... they can regain their friendship with God through confession.

As we can see ... divine law is very important to the argument against homosexuality ... and we know divine law comes to us through sacred scripture.

With that being said ... let's switch gears here ... and focus on what the Old Testament says ... and then transition into the New Testament.

<<Rejected In Sacred Scripture: Old Testament>>

The rejection of homosexuality is found throughout the Old Testament and is a rather well known fact.

For example ... in Genesis 19 ... Lot offers shelter to two angels that were sent to visit the city of Sodom ... during the night ... the men of Sodom demand that Lot hand over the guests for homosexual intercourse ... Lot refuses ... and the angels subsequently blind the men of Sodom ... God then destroys the town by fire "We are about to destroy this place ... for the outcry reaching the LORD against those in the city is so great that he has sent us to destroy it" (Gen. 19:13 NAB) ... Lot and his entire household manage to escape however ... Imagine

something like this happening today in San Francisco or New York.

God also punished Sodom for inhospitality ... but it is clear in Ezek. 16:50 that God punished Sodom more for “abominable things” ... such as homosexual acts.

The scripture even points out (Gen. 19:8-9) that Lot was willing to give up his two virgin daughters ... but the guests wanted homosexual sex over heterosexual sex.

The Sodom incident is not the only time that the Old Testament cites the evil of homosexuality and God's consequential punishment of it.

The book of Leviticus gives us an explicit and undeniable condemnation: “You shall not lie with a male as with a woman; it is an abomination ... If a man lies with a male as with a woman ... both of them have committed an abomination ... they shall be put to death ... their blood is upon them” (Lev. 18:22, 20:13).

God abhors and rejects this sin because it goes directly against His design as endowed and blessed by Him ... it was never in God's plan for Adam and Steve to be together in a sexual sense or Maria and Sally.

Further ... some have tried to argue against this moral imperative as plainly shown in the Old Testament.

According to them ... it can be disregarded because they were connected to certain ceremonial requirements ... such as eating pork ... or circumcising male babies ... and thus are no longer binding.

While it is true that ceremonial requirements are no longer binding ... its moral requirements are and continue to be ... ethical laws are eternal and binding on all people and places throughout human history ... God uses different ceremonies to draw those people closer to Him.

Now ... let's look at what the New Testament says about homosexuality.

<<Homosexuality Is Rejected In Sacred Scripture: New Testament>>

Homosexuality is plainly rejected in The New Testament - this fact is confirmed and reinforced in several passages.

For example ... Romans 1 talks about how Paul attributes the homosexual desires of some ... to a refusal to acknowledge and worship God.

He says ... “For this reason God gave them up to dishonorable passions ... their women exchanged natural relations for unnatural ... and the men also gave up natural relations with women and were consumed with passion for one another ... men committing shameless acts with men and receiving in their own persons the due penalty for their error ... and since they did not see fit to acknowledge God ... God gave them up to a base mind and to improper conduct ... though they know God's decree that those who do such things deserve to die, they not only do them but approve those who practice them” (Rom. 1:26–28, 32).

Paul also warns about homosexual behavior as it deprives one of heaven ... “Do you not know that the unjust will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators nor idolaters nor adulterers nor boy prostitutes nor practicing homosexuals nor thieves nor the greedy nor drunkards nor slanderers nor robbers will inherit the kingdom of God.” (1 Cor. 6:9–10 NAB).

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Likewise ... the book of Timothy shows us the disconnect sexual sin causes between us and God... "We know that the law is good ... provided that one uses it as law ... with the understanding that law is meant not for a righteous person but for the lawless and unruly ... the godless and sinful ... the unholy and profane ... those who kill their fathers or mothers ... murderers ... the unchaste ... practicing homosexuals ... kidnapers ... liars

... perjurers ... and whatever else is opposed to sound teaching ... according to the glorious gospel of the blessed God ... with which I have been entrusted." (1 Tim. 1:8–11 NAB).

And further ... the book of Jude also cites a commendation of homosexuality ... "Likewise ... Sodom ... Gomorrah ... and the surrounding towns which in the same manner as they ... indulged in sexual promiscuity and practiced unnatural vice ... serve as an example by undergoing a punishment of eternal fire." (Jude 7 NAB)

All of scripture as given to us by the Church through the Holy Spirit teaches us that homosexual behavior is wrong ... however ... the rejection of this behavior is NOT an arbitrary prohibition ... homosexuality ... like so many other moral imperatives ... is rooted in natural law ... the very design God has built into human nature.

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And that's why it's our responsibility to help individuals with a homosexual attraction ... it is our duty as Catholic Christians to fight for souls that are lost.

As one of the first stories in scripture tells us ... we are our brother's keeper.

Just imagine ... how wonderful it will be ... to be in heaven with those you've helped on the way to heaven.

The focus should always be on the end ... and how I can position myself to end well.

Many people have put heavenly things off and died soon after only to be eternally lost ... don't be one of those people.

Now ... let us look at the natural aspect of Church teaching ... the natural law and what it teaches us about homosexuality.

<<Homosexuality Is Rejected In Natural Law>>

To some, the idea of natural law may be a bit foreign and so let us briefly treat it now.

Natural law is ... "the rule of conduct which is prescribed to us by the Creator in the constitution of the nature with which He has endowed us" (Fox, 1910).

To say it another way ... natural law is the rational creature's participation in the eternal law.

With that being said ... all people have a basic ethical intuition ... if you will, that certain behaviors are wrong because they are UNNATURAL.

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For example ... we perceive intuitively that the natural sex partner of man is a human of the opposite sex or a female.

SO ... when we talk about something being unnatural ... in one sense ... we are talking about how our anatomy is configured.

Frankly ... a male sex organ fits perfectly with a female sex organ ... two female parts do not fit together properly nor do two male parts.

To continue this idea further ... we must realize that sex is not solely for pleasure ... sex is meant for the propagation of the human race.

God ... in His vast greatness ... has given sex the ability to carry a certain "pleasure" with it to ensure that "man" will continue ... but the pleasure that comes from sex is more of a fruit and not the sole end.

The joy of sex is meant to strengthen and preserve the marital bond between a man and woman ... and that's it!

It seems like we have lost sight of this truth in the past 40 years ... and it stems from our forgetfulness of natural law.

The idea of natural law is important because it is the basis for nearly all-standard moral intuitions.

For example ... each person intrinsically possesses dignity and value that make the needless destruction of human life in abortion or infliction of physical and emotional pain immoral.

From this idea ... gives rise to a host of moral principles, such as the unacceptability of murder ... kidnapping ... mutilation ... physical and emotional abuse ... and so forth.

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So ... we can now see ... hopefully ... that our God has given us the ability to make a decision regarding our sexual nature and appetite.

It is up to us to make the right decision ... a decision that will lead us to a deeper and eternally lasting relationship with God.

Remember ... our first "love" is God ... and all other relationships come second.

If you happen to have this in any other order ... you need to reexamine how exactly you see God.

A momentary pleasure is not worth an eternity of hell.

<<RECLAIMING THE RAINBOW>>

And so ... we have covered an extensive amount of material that hopefully set you straight on homosexuality ... but before we let you go ... here are a few take-away points we'd like to leave you with:

One ... homosexuality goes against natural law and divine law ... it must be avoided if a person desires to be with God for all eternity ... God considers this sin to be of the most grave matter ... it isn't worth going to hell for ... always remember the end game ... eternity with God ... perspective is everything in life.

Two ... A Catholic must NEVER support the sin of homosexuality ... NEVER ... remember ... support comes in many different forms ... whether that be through government legislation ... voting for politicians who support it ... or not speaking up when it is talked about among friend or relatives ... pick up that cross!

Third ... The sin of homosexuality cannot be allowed to advance because it is destructive ... destructive to the individual and society ... studies are plentiful on this point ... homosexual relationships are DIFFERENT from heterosexual relationships.

Fourth ... all of us must fight against our passions or desires ... for those who have an attraction to the same sex ... they have a different cross they must bear ... but remember no matter the cross ... we must constantly strive to become more like Christ in everything we do ... even the little things ... become a Saint ... God knows we need many souls for this cause.

Fifth ... help people who have an attraction to the same sex ... pray for them ... lead them to God ... take them to the Blessed Sacrament or Holy Mass ... talk with them about the faith ... but don't compromise ... don't lead them into a life of sin or the homosexual lifestyle ... remember your job is to remove barriers ... let the Holy Spirit do the rest.

Sixth ... it is incredibly important to know your faith ... you cannot love something you do not know ... learn

solid Catholic material ... spread the faith ... this tide must be turned ... turned to what as been true from all eternity ... we must all give an account of our life.

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So ... there you have it ... homosexuality as seen through the lens of truth. This is by no means an exhaustive treatment on the subject ... however ... it is our hope to drag this sin into the light of truth ... and examine it for what it really is ... an objective rejection of God's will for the human race ... but let's remember that we are all victims of original sin ... we all need our Lord's assistance ... because without God there is no light and no peace... and that is what God offers ... He offers eternal life ... believe me ... if you give God a chance to work with you ... He will take those disordered attractions ... those sinful desires ... and help you to bear that cross ... and transform your life into one filled with joy and peace. It's going to be alright ... forever ... if you choose to reach out to Christ.

God Love YOU! I'm Michael Voris!