Same-Sex Marriage

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Let's look at something here concerning same-sex marriages. First of all, what is marriage? *Marriage is a God-created relationship between a man and a woman* for the very purpose of love and bringing forth children into the world, to have the blessing of reproducing themselves after their kind and their likeness. God is going to increase His plan through conversion, and according to the way that He is going to do it.

Who established marriage that it is between man and woman? *God did!* That is higher than any law of the land; that is higher than any church in the land. *That is the Creator God Who made us, established it and that's the way that it is,* and He did it for our good and our blessing and for His plan to eventually bring billions and billions of spiritual sons and daughters into the Kingdom of God.

Right here in the very beginning, there was not a mate for Adam, so here's what God did. In Gen. 1 it says that God created us male and female in His image.

Genesis 2:20: "And Adam gave names to all the livestock, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field, but there was not found a helper compatible for Adam. And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall over Adam, and he slept. And He took one of his ribs, and *afterward* closed up the flesh underneath. Then the LORD God made the rib (which He had taken out of the man) into a woman, and He brought her to the man" (vs 20-22).

This ought to solve the problem of women's lib. God did not take another lump of clay and make a woman. What has women's lib done for us? *God did not expect men to be brute beasts toward their wives!* But not all men down through history have been brute beasts toward their wives.

I had a woman call me at the office and she said, 'I don't know what these women are up to, because they can't understand that every time women take over the society falls apart.' What's happening today?

Verse 23: "And Adam said, 'This *is* now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh. *She* shall be called Woman because *she* was taken out of Man.' For this reason [God says] shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave to his wife and **they** shall become one flesh" (vs 23-24). **That's** *what God has created and decreed!* Anything other than that is sin! Plain and simple!

The Pharisees came and said, 'Can you have divorce for any cause,' and even some people in the

Church still ask the same question. Read what Jesus said!

Matthew 19:4: "But He answered them, saying, '<u>Have you not read</u> that He Who made *them* from *the* beginning made them male and female, and said, "For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined to his wife; and the two shall become one flesh"? So then, they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore, what God has joined together, let not man separate" (vs 4-6).

To protect the institution of marriage, God gave a specific command. We know the account of the sinfulness of the world that 'every man's imagination was only evil continually' and violence 'filled the earth.' We are told that as it was 'in the days of Noah so shall it be in the days of the coming of the Son of man.' Therefore, you are seeing all of these things, and you can be guaranteed for sure, absolutely on the Word of God, that back then they were doing exactly the same thing as they're doing today—and probably even worse!

Let's come to the commandment that God gave to *protect* the family, first of all the fifth commandment:

Exodus 20:12: "Honor your father and your mother..."

It doesn't say honor your step-father and his live-in lover; or her live-in lover. It's an absolute contradiction for same-sex to be married! It is total stupidity, *it is completely against God, and is thumbing licentiousness and lawlessness not only to the society but also <u>to God</u>!* They are tempting God to execute His judgment against them.

"...so that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God gives you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery" (vs 12-14).

Under that thing of committing adultery comes *all* of the other laws that give the prohibition against unlawful sexual activity. God created us as sexual beings. God gave us all the feelings and everything that there are:

- for sex
- for love
- for pro-creation
- for building and bonding a marriage so that they become one flesh

Let's look at some of the other Scriptures

that prohibit the things beyond that. Some of the things I'm going to read here, some people are going to get very angry if they come on the website and hear this sermon. I say to you: *too bad!* The Word of God is the Word of God, and:

- I have the right to read it
- I have the right to preach it
- I have the right to uphold the Laws of God,
- I have the right given by the Word of God to condemn all sin and licentiousness that is against God which:
 - ✓ destroys people
 - \checkmark destroys their minds
 - \checkmark destroys their lives

You show me one case of venereal disease between a husband and wife who have remained faithful their whole lives and then I'll throw away the Bible. You can't do it because *those diseases are a result of* SIN! In spite of all the medicines and things that people are able to use today, it only delays the inevitable death sentence!

Leviticus 18:1: "And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, 'Speak to the children of Israel and say to them, "I *am* the LORD your God. As they do in the land of Egypt where you dwelt, you shall not do. And you shall not do as they do in the land of Canaan, where I am bringing you. Neither shall you walk in their ordinances. You shall do My judgments and keep My ordinances, and walk in them. I *am* the LORD your God"" (vs 1-4).

All the Laws of God are good, spiritual and Holy. Whoever keeps them is blessed to the extent that they keep them. Whoever breaks them is cursed to the extent that they break them! A living Law, all the Laws of God are:

- living and active
- all the time
- everywhere
- in every society
- in every generation

from the beginning of Adam until the end of the earth! God *is* God and God *is a living* God! His Word is 'sharper than a two-edged sword.' If it cuts a little deep and you don't like it, then God requires you to repent. Let's read what He says:

Verse 5: "And you shall keep My statutes and My judgments, which if a man does, he shall <u>live</u> in them. I *am* the LORD.... [then He lists all the things]: ...None of you shall approach to any who are near of kin to him to **uncover** *their* **nakedness**.... [to engage in sexual activity] ...I *am* the LORD" (vs 5-6).

- "...of your father or the nakedness of your mother...." (v 7)
- "...of your father's wife...." (v 8)
- "...of your sister, the daughter... (v 9)
- "...of your son's daughter, or of your daughter's daughter..." (v 10)
- "...of the daughter of your father's wife...." (v 11).
- "...of your father's sister [your aunt]. She *is* your father's near kinswoman" (v 12)

and all the way down including all the rest of the sexually prohibited activities!

Why? Because these activities destroy the heart, mind, love and understanding! There is no such thing as a private act behind closed doors which is sin—that does not affect the society. Have not all of the sins of the homosexuals affected our society? Yes! Not only through their perversion, but also through all the cost of the medical things because of their sins and their diseases and their uncleannesses that they have! There is no way that anyone can deny it, and God said you shall not do it!

Verse 22: "You shall not... [the homosexuals do not like this]: ...lie with mankind as with womankind. It is an abomination to God."

That's what God says! A lot of people don't like that, because 'we have fun and we love each other.' You can put in there a woman should not lay with a woman as with mankind. It is an abomination! All of these same-sex marriages that are taking place today are an abomination before God! And every one that takes place is just building up the judgment of God and the wrath of God against the society that will do it and will allow it. That's exactly what's happening.

Verse 23: "And you shall not lie with any animal to defile yourself with it. And a woman shall not stand before an animal to lie down to it. It *is* a **perversion**. Do not defile yourselves in any of these things..." (vs 23-24).

Every one of these things that are listed here in Lev. 18 are defilement against your mind, your heart, your body, society and God!

"...for in all these the nations which I cast out before you are defiled" (v 24). <u>Why are</u> <u>nations rooted out?</u> Because of God's judgment!

Verse 25: "And the land is defiled. Therefore **I visit** its wickedness against it, and the land itself vomits out those who live in it. You shall therefore keep My statutes and My judgments, and shall not commit *any* of these abominations, *neither* the native, nor any stranger that lives among you; for the men of the land who *were* before you have done all these abominations, and **the land is defiled**. *You* shall not do these so that the land may not spew you out also when you defile it, as it spewed out the nations that were before you; for whoever shall commit any of these abominations, even the souls who commit them shall be cut off from among their people" (vs 25-29).

That's the judgment of God! Please understand this: **The judgment of God is on everyone all the time everywhere in the world!** All are under law! All are under sin! The freedom that God gives us is the freedom from sin through repentance and obedience. There are two kinds of freedom:

- 1. God's freedom for love, law-abiding
- 2. Satan's freedom of lawlessness and hatred and vitriolics against God

Those are the two ways. We are in a *cultural war* that is almost unreal! All of this stems from this philosophy, which was espoused by Aldous Huxley—he and his brothers were founders of the United Nations. He put out this philosophy of meaningless for his reasons and motives for the denial of special creation and his rejection of God's rule in his life:

Ends and Means by Aldous Huxley:

I had motives for not wanting the world to have a meaning. Consequently, I assumed that it had none and was able without difficulty to find satisfying reasons for this assumption.... For myself, as no doubt for most of my contemporaries, *the philosophy of meaninglessness was essentially an instrument of liberation*....

That's exactly what's going on today. All of these same-sex marriages are instruments of the philosophy of meaninglessness, so we can choose what we want to do, and be as lawless as we want to be, and everybody 'stick it in your ear.'

...from a certain system of morality. We objected to the morality because it interfered with our sexual freedom; we objected to the political and economic system because it was unjust.... There was one admirably simple method of...justifying ourselves in our politically erotic revolt.

That's exactly what's going on today!

We could deny that the world had any meaning whatsoever. Similar tactics had been adopted during the 18th century and for the same reasons.... The chief reason for being 'philosophical' was that one might be free from prejudices—above all, prejudices of a sexual nature. It was the manifestly poisonous nature of the fruits... [the commandments of God] ...that forced me to reconsider the philosophical tree on which they had grown.

So, he did just like Adam and Eve and ate of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. Those who try to do good and keep the laws of God are called *immoral*. I tell you what, God has set before this country a choice that has never been thrown down in the gauntlet that it has.

I tell you one thing, that if the Democrats get in *it is going to be such a corrupt perversion like nothing we have ever seen, and the punishment will be terrorist attacks and destruction of America on our own soil!* It doesn't matter if they're in the Church or know God or not, they better stand up for Truth or the beginning of the end has started. That's my opinion, because it's not going to stop! Let me just say this: God has given a clear choice. Not that the Republicans are saints, but God has thrown the judgment down on who is going to stand for even the Truth that you know and understand.

Proverbs 5:1: "My son, attend to my wisdom; bow your ear to my understanding; that you may keep discretion, and that your lips may keep knowledge. For the lips of a wanton woman... [or a strange man, as well] ...drip as a honeycomb, and her mouth *is* smoother than oil; but her end *is as* bitter as wormwood, sharp as a two-edged sword" (vs 1-4).

If any doctor would be honest about it, they will tell you that 50% of American young people are destined to have sexually transmitted diseases. Those who die of AIDS and various of the other 60 sexually transmitted diseases live miserable, horrible, panic-filled, desperate lives, because they are reaping the penalty that God has put there to automatically happen. There are 32-million American women hooked on pornography online! To say nothing of how many men! *God has thrown down the gauntlet and the challenge and there better be a whole lot of people listening to it*!

Verse 5: "Her feet go down to death... [same-sex marriage is death] ...her steps take hold on the grave. She does not ponder the path of life; her ways are unstable—you cannot know them.... [there are all these deceptions here so that people get deceived and won't find the Truth and do it] ...Now therefore, hear me, O you children, and do not depart from the words of my mouth. Remove your ways far from her [or him], and do not come near the door of her [or his] house, lest you give your honor unto others and your years unto the cruel; lest strangers be filled with your wealth, and your labors be in the house of a stranger; and you moan when your end comes, when your flesh and your body are consumed" (vs 5-11).

And doctors and medicine no longer help. You rot and stink and die in your sins!

Verse 12: "And say, 'How I hated instruction, and my heart despised correction; and I have not obeyed the voice of my teachers, nor inclined my ears to those who taught me!" (vs 12-13).

Proverbs 6:23—on the other hand: <u>"For the</u> commandment is a lamp, and the law is light, and reproofs of instruction *are* the way of life."

God has set before you *life and death*; good and evil. He commands you to choose *life that you* may live. If you choose evil, you will suffer the penalties. If you choose evil and do not repent, it will be even worse. God guarantees it, because **God** will not be mocked by anybody!

Verse 24: "To keep you from the evil woman [or man], from the flattery of the tongue of a strange woman [or man]. Do not lust after her beauty in your heart; nor let her seduce you with her eyelids, for by means of a harlot [or a man] *a man* [or woman] *is vanquished* to a piece of bread; and the adulteress [or adulterer] will hunt for the precious life" (vs 24-26).

That's what they do with all this sexeducation in school. The homosexuals are creating new young flesh for their way of death so they will always have sex-partners.

Verse 27: "Can a man take fire to his bosom, and his clothes not be burned? Can one walk upon hot coals, and his feet not be burned? So is he who goes in to his neighbor's wife... [or any other woman, or any other man] ...whoever touches her shall not be innocent" (vs 27-29).

Verse 32: "But whoever commits adultery *with* a woman... [or with a man; a perversion or homosexuality] ...lacks understanding... [and they're touted in the world as being wise—we'll see what that wisdom does to society] ...he *who* does it destroys his own soul. He shall get a wound and dishonor; and his shame shall not be wiped away" (vs 32-33).

Now, let's see what this does to the society; This is not the first time there were cultural wars. But all through history, whenever homosexuals have gotten the upper hand, in any society, it is doomed because of God's judgment. Western civilization and in particularly America—stands at the door! God says that what they do today is call 'evil' good and 'good' evil. (Isa. 5). They cast the Law of God behind them and then try and proclaim God's blessing upon themselves. Never happen! Here's what happens to a society, and here's where we are right now, and you can see the progression of this.

Romans 1:18: "Indeed, *the* wrath of God is revealed from heaven upon all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the Truth in unrighteousness, because that which may be known of God is manifest among them, for God has manifested *it* to them; for the invisible things of Him are perceived from *the* creation of *the* world, being understood by the things that were made—both His eternal power and Godhead—so that they are without excuse" (vs 18-20).

They have no excuse! How many Bibles are there? Anyone can step out and see the sun, the moon, the stars. Anybody can now go online and look up NASA Hubble telescope and see the wonders that God has created so *that they can be humbled and convicted in heart and mind that God is great*!

Verse 21: "Because when they knew God, they glorified Him not as God, neither were thankful; but they became vain in their own reasonings... [all you have to do is just watch the news and listen to the vain reasonings] ... and their foolish hearts were darkened.... [they lose understanding! It perverts the mind! It perverts the thinking] ... While professing themselves to be *the* wise ones... [and liberated] ... they became fools and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into the likeness of an image of corruptible man, and of birds, and four-footed creatures, and creeping things. For this cause... [God acts and brings His judgment with cause] ... God also abandoned them ... " (vs 21-24).

Here's the state of homosexuals today and homosexual marriages, v 24: "<u>God also abandoned</u> them to uncleanness through the lusts of their hearts, to disgrace their own bodies between themselves."

If people really knew or understood the depths of depravity of homosexual behavior of male and female, bestiality behavior—male and female it is an absolute vomit-turning abomination! All of these simple-minded do-gooders who think: 'Oh, it's all the same. They love each other. It's fine' *are nothing but empty airheads who know nothing*!

Verse 25: "Who exchanged the Truth of God for the lie... [they throw out the Bible] ...and they worshiped and served the created thing more than the one Who is Creator, Who is blessed into the ages. Amen."

What do they worship and serve more than anything else? *The lust and passions of the human body and perverted sex!* They don't worship God! Verse 26: "For this cause... [here's the second cause] ...<u>God abandoned them</u>... [Yet, what happens? *This society exalts them*!] ...to disgraceful passions; for even their women changed the natural use of sex into that which is contrary to nature; and in the same manner also the men, having left the natural use of sex with the woman, were inflamed in their lustful passions toward one another—men with men shamelessly committing lewd acts, and receiving back within themselves a fitting penalty for their error. And in exact proportion as they did not consent to have God in *their* knowledge, God abandoned them to a **reprobate mind**..." (vs 26-28)—void of judgment; a perverted mind!

When you hear some of these people speak on the news and justify their sin and abominable, unclean, wretched behavior, *know* that you are listening to a *reprobate mind*!

"...to practice *those* things that are immoral; being filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, covetousness, malice; full of envy, murder, strife, guile, evil dispositions; whisperers, slanderers, <u>God-haters</u>..." (vs 28-30).

That's what we are up against today, and that's what the *cultural war* is all about. All of those who profess to know God, who take the name of Christ, take the name of God and go out and keep Sunday, Christmas, Easter and all of these things, you are religious hypocrites when you come back and try and take the laws of God and say that you're doing the will of God when you reject Him!

For that very cause those who are selfrighteous in this society also need to repent of their self-righteousness and their wickedness and things, because the lawless grace of Protestantism and the indulgences of Catholicism *have laid the* groundwork and paved the way for where we are today! Make no doubt about that.

"...insolent, proud... [as they stroll down the stairs of San Francisco's City Hall] ...boasters, inventors of evil things *and practices*; disobedient to parents, void of understanding, covenant-breakers, without natural affection, implacable *and* unmerciful; who, knowing the righteous judgment of God, that those who commit such things are worthy of death, not only practice these things themselves, but also approve of those who commit *them*" (vs 30-32). *That's where we are in this society!*

I know that even in the Church of God there are going to be some people upset at what I'm saying. I'm too harsh, too intolerant, to reactionary! Let me just say one thing: *There's going to come a* day when everyone is going to stand before God! All of those who hate God, all of those in this society are going to have to bow the knee to Christ one day! All of those in the Church of God who are soft and comfortable who treat the Truth of God as a social club, your day has arrived! Your time has come!

Whether you're a Catholic or Protestant or Church of God, you'd better stop and think! You'd better do like a lot of these news commentators, in order to give their opinion concerning the movie *The Passion of the Christ* they had to go read the Gospels. Well, maybe you'd better do the same thing. Get out your Bible and read it!

I'm very happy and thankful that, at this juncture, that we were able to produce this Bible— *The Holy Bible in Its Original Order*—to help and serve people. That's what it's for. It's not for self. It's not for aggrandizement anymore than anything that the apostles and those who served Christ down through the ages served themselves.

- this is done so that you may *hear*
- this is done so that you may *repent*
- this is done so that you may *come to God*

God says that He will forgive. Just like we saw earlier, *the very first ones He forgave were the ones who killed Him!* But they didn't want to take that forgiveness, so God had to judge them.

- What will God's judgment be upon us?
- Upon you?

We are in a desperate battle for Truth!

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