



Homosexuality: Return to Sodom

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The Hamilton Square Baptist Church intended its Sunday evening worship service to be a blessing to the congregation. It turned out, however, to be their worst nightmare. What happened that night will remind you of what took place in the ancient city of Sodom on the eve of its destruction. Be warned. This is not a story for the faint-hearted.

It all began when Pastor Lou Sheldon, founder of the Traditional Values Coalition, was invited to the church to speak on the topic of homosexuality. Homosexual activists caught wind of the meeting and leaked the story to the San Francisco press. The Bay Area Reporter responded quickly and published a front-page article using language guaranteed to inflame the local homosexual community. Immediately, an avalanche of telephone calls began pouring into the church, demanding the guest speaker not be allowed to speak.

By the time the service began, the church property was swarming with homosexual and lesbian demonstrators. Alarmed that the situation was out of control, Pastor David Innes called the

authorities and asked for more police backup. Innes could hardly believe his ears when he was told, "This is San Francisco." What followed is best described by one who was there.

"Pastor Charles and Donna McIlhenny were refused entry by the rioters. ... The doors were completely blocked. ... Pastor McIlhenny held on to Donna as they began to make their way through the mob who were shouting and screaming in their ears, 'You will not enter this church!' The rioters assaulted them, pushing and shoving them, seeking to keep them from the front door. One of them grabbed Donna's body, lifting her off the ground, and another put his arms completely around her, attempting to pull her back away from the entry. She stretched her arms out for help from a nearby police officer who offered her no assistance. Her son, seeing she was in trouble, pleaded with the officers to assist her. The officers ... were unable to take control of the situation. ...

"As they made their way past the three officers at the door they were pelted by rocks ... The rioters removed the Christian flag from the flagpole and attached the gay flag under the U.S. flag ... When the caretaker ... attempted to remove the gay flag, he was assaulted and pelted with eggs. ... A single parent who is a church member and her six-year-old daughter were told they could not enter the building. A rioter grabbed her daughter's arm as she was clinging to her mother and began interrogating her. ... The rioters then laid down in the intersection of Geary and Franklin Streets, blocking all traffic. ... A woman demonstrator exposed her bare breasts to church members present in the area. ... People were shouted at and threatened by the rioters as they made their way to their cars, called 'Christian bigots,' hypocrites, fascists, homophobes, and other expletives, some obscene. ... When the rioters saw children standing in the lobby, they shouted, 'We want your children! Give us your children!'... A nine-year-old boy was crying in hysterics. 'They are after me. It's me they want.' ... In spite of all this malicious disruption, not a single arrest was made by the police."¹

It's difficult to believe this could happen in twentieth century America, isn't it? We might gain some comfort if this were an isolated case, but unfortunately it isn't. Members of Calvary Chapel in Costa Mesa, California, also found themselves the focus of homosexual demonstrators. Angry over the church's outreach to the Orange County gay community, militant homosexuals invaded the church's Sunday morning service. Filling aisles, they shouted and fondled themselves in full view of families in the congregation.²

Another incredible incident involved a Family Concerns Conference brunch at First Baptist Church in Atlanta where a group of AIDS demonstrators infiltrated the meeting and threw hundreds of condoms at the attendees while chanting "safer sex saves lives." No arrests were made even though the police had to remove the demonstrators from the church's private property.³

You shouldn't be overly surprised by these stories. Jesus predicted such things would happen near the end of time. "Likewise as it was also in the days of Lot: They ate, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they built; but on the day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all. Even so will it be in the day when the Son of Man is revealed." Luke 17:28-30.

The truth of the matter is that our world has arrived at the day Jesus predicted. It is modern Sodom. Let's take a look at just how closely contemporary society fulfils this prophecy.

Ancient Sodom

Sodom once sat in a very fertile valley near where the Dead Sea is presently located. Lot, the nephew of Abraham, took his place at the city gates each afternoon to offer travellers a place to spend the night. Lot's daily vigil at the gates was motivated by more than mere hospitality. He was a man on a mission. He knew the atrocious crimes the city's inhabitants were capable of inflicting upon any foreigner found in the streets after dark. Horrible crimes. Unspeakable.

One day, Lot sees three men approach Sodom's gates. They look tired. It is late in the day, and the men will evidently spend the night here. Lot hurries to be the first one to greet them. He has to do quite a bit of persuading, but eventually he convinces the men to lodge at his house.

That evening as they all gather to eat their evening meal, a loud commotion outside grabs their attention. The sound of jeering and yelling indicates a mob is in the streets. Ominously the noise draws closer. Soon it stops outside their door. Rap! Rap! Rap! Loud pounding causes everyone to nervously push back from the dinner table.

Lot goes to the front door, opens it and quickly steps outside, closing the door securely behind him. What he sees is not pretty. His house is surrounded by every homosexual in Sodom. He knows what they're after. They've come to rape the travellers. A cry erupts from the crowd: "Where are the men which came to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may know them carnally [i.e., sexually]." Genesis 19:5.

Lot tries everything to dissuade them, even to the point of offering them his two virgin daughters. "Please, my brethren, do not do so wickedly! See now, I have two daughters who have not known a man; let me bring them out to you, and you may do to them as you wish; only do nothing to these men, since this is the reason they have come under the shadow of my roof." Genesis 19:7, 8.

But the Sodomites are relentless. Their carnal lusts are driven by an insatiable urge for male flesh. "Then they said, 'This one [Lot] came in to stay here, and he keeps acting as a judge; now we will deal worse with you than with them.' So they pressed hard against the man Lot, and came near to break down the door." Genesis 19:9. Just as violent hands reach for Lot, the door of his home swings open and he is swept inside to safety.

The ferocious crowd beats upon the little house. Lot's wife and daughters huddle in the corner. Tears course down their cheeks as they cling to one another. Shouts from outside mingling with crying inside make it difficult for Lot to hear what his guests are telling him. Are they really saying they are angels? Yes, they must be! How else could he explain his miraculous deliverance from certain death?

Now it is clear to Lot. His rescuers are angels in human guise. And they've just revealed to him that they are on a mission to destroy the wicked cities of the plain. The next morning Lot barely escapes with his life before God rains down fire and brimstone upon the cities' wicked citizens.

Scripture testifies why God destroyed Sodom. "Because their sin is very grave." Genesis 18:20. Sodom's sin of homosexuality cried for justice from God. The city went down in infamy, leaving only the legacy of its name to describe the very actions for which it burned-sodomy.

Christian Confusion

Without question, this story reveals how God judges homosexuality. Yet remarkably, there are some Christians who teach that God condones it. The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), in its December 1991 document Human Sexuality and the Christian Faith, states, "We must distinguish between moral judgments regarding same-sex activity in biblical times and in our own time." Furthermore, the ELCA challenges its members to evaluate prejudices against homosexuals, insisting, "what we personally find offensive is not necessarily sinful."⁴ Upon release of its October 1993 edition of The Church and Human Sexuality: A Lutheran Perspective, the ELCA said "it recognizes that many Lutherans take literally the biblical condemnations of homosexuality. ... But the task force urges Lutherans to challenge such attitudes. It argues that 'responsible biblical interpretation' strongly supports the acceptance and even blessing of same-sex unions and emphasizes what it says is the pre-eminent biblical command-to 'love your neighbor as yourself.' "⁵

Over 70 bishops of the Episcopal Church signed a "Statement of Koinonia" which says, "We believe that some of us are created heterosexual and some of us are created homosexual. We believe homosexuality and heterosexuality are morally neutral." The Washington, D.C., diocese officially approved the document and declared that homosexuals who live together in monogamous relationships should be "honoured."⁶

The United Methodist Church has also convened panels to determine whether homosexuality is a sin. Though the proposals to loosen church strictures on homosexuality were rejected, the 1991

panel did agree that biblical references to sexual practices should not be viewed as binding "just because they are in the Bible."⁷ Probably the church that has departed the most from God's Word on this subject is the United Church of Christ. They permit homosexuals to be ordained to ministry.⁸

Homosexuality in Scripture

In spite of all the confusing rhetoric, Scripture clearly classifies homosexuality as sin. "Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God." 1 Corinthians 6:9, 10. Can the truth be any plainer?

While this may sound harsh, it is not intended to be offensive. God is not making a singular thrust against homosexuals. Notice that many other sins are listed in this line-up. In fact, the first and third in the list are primarily directed at heterosexuals.

Several other texts also mention homosexuals. Men having sex with men is specifically condemned. "You shall not lie with a male as with a woman. It is abomination." Leviticus 18:22. Paul writes that "those who practice such things are deserving of death." Romans 1:32. And, in the fires of hell, John the Revelator saw the sexually immoral. "But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death." Revelation 21:8.

As a group, homosexuals are undeniably sexually immoral. Not only is the practice of homosexuality itself an immoral act, but 43 percent of homosexuals surveyed estimated they had sex with 500 or more partners; 28 percent reported 1,000 or more partners. And 79 percent admit that over half of their partners were total strangers.⁹ Furthermore, two homosexual researchers writing in *The Gay Report* say that 73 percent of homosexuals surveyed had at some time had sex with boys sixteen to nineteen years of age or younger.¹⁰

Many, however, refuse to accept God's testimony regarding homosexuality. They echo the sentiments of Sodom when Lot declared that homosexuality was wickedness. "This one [Lot] came in to stay here, and he keeps acting as a judge." Genesis 19:9. Christians who declare the truth about homosexuality are not acting as judges, but merely declaring what the ultimate Judge has said. His is the final court. And He has told us what will be found guilty and what will be acquitted.

God Loves Homosexuals

While homosexuality is definitely sin, let's remember that it isn't unpardonable. God's grace is powerful enough to give victory over any temptation. Sexual or otherwise.

There is a difference between temptation and sin. Temptation is enticement. Sin, on the other hand, happens when enticement is entertained and/or entered into. One can therefore be tempted by homosexuality, but repulse that temptation and not sin (James 1:14, 15).

Furthermore, one could have lived a life of homosexuality, repent of it, and experience victory and salvation. This was obviously the case with some of the early Christian converts. "And such [i.e., homosexuals] were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God." 1 Corinthians 6:11. The good news is that Jesus has the power to save us from any type of sin or temptation.

God doesn't hate homosexuals. He doesn't hate any sinner. It is sin itself that He finds repulsive. He dislikes how sin degrades, depresses, and victimises the sinner and others. And as God doesn't hate sinners, neither should we. Not all homosexuals are militant activists. Many are likeable people who have admirable qualities. Christians should never treat gays with scorn and violence.

The way Jesus related to the woman caught in adultery is a good model for Christians to follow. While the crowd waited with stones in hand to bludgeon her to death, Jesus declared that the

solution was not capital punishment. Instead of casting a stone, He extended love, forgiveness, and life-changing power to "go and sin no more." John 8:11.

Two thousand years later, Jesus' love is still active in behalf of sinners. Just ask Jami Breedlove. She lived a lesbian life for 12 years. Today she is happily married to Ben, the father of her two children. What was it that changed her life? She says that it was her childhood friend, Ben, who showed her God's unconditional love. "He knew I was a lesbian. I wondered, Why would any man want to see a woman who had lived with other women for 12 years? But Ben wanted to reach me with the same love that Jesus has for me. He told me he cared for me, and he wanted to be my friend. When I saw Ben's love was unconditional, I began falling in love with him. ... I looked deep in my heart, and I knew I had been living a sinful lifestyle. I wanted out, so I repented and asked God to heal me."¹¹

It is love that convicts, converts, and transforms. To love the sinner while not condoning sin is the secret of Jesus' power to change lives. Vera P. also made this wonderful discovery. Vera had been a lesbian for five years when she and Jeanette met. She says, Jeanette "knew exactly what I was, but she persistently invited me to church and accepted me into her family. I was invited to all the graduations, birthdays, and Christmas celebrations-even funerals-in her large, extended family. ... I believe many homosexuals are desperately seeking God. They are aching for genuine love and acceptance, but they often don't recognise it in Jesus' disciples. John 13:35 says that all men will know you are His disciples if you have love one for another. The personal touch worked for me, and I know it would work for countless others."¹²

Is Sexual Preference Genetic?

Many homosexuals like to say, "God made me this way." A supposed genetic predisposition is cited as evidence to scientifically prove their case. However, the studies used as proof are extremely faulty and inconclusive. They are also very biased since homosexual researchers often perform them. Clinical psychologist Joseph Nicolosi, who has worked with over 200 homosexuals, comments on all the press the poor research gains. "Very key to the gay liberation movement is the finding of a biological basis so that they can be considered 'a people.' So the gay community will celebrate the most fragmentary evidence that they are 'born that way.'"¹³

In 1991, Science magazine published an article reporting the findings of Dr. Simon LeVay. Dr. LeVay reportedly found brain differences in homosexual men compared to heterosexual men. This new discovery was quickly picked up by the media and reported far and wide. But since that time, the study has come under fire.

In fact, the entire study is flawed. First, the sample size was very small. It consisted of only 41 corpses. Secondly, all of the known homosexuals had died of AIDS or AIDS-related complications. And the 16 corpses that were heterosexual men were only presumed heterosexual. It is not known for sure if they had been heterosexuals or not. One can't help but wonder if the fact that Dr. LeVay is a homosexual himself didn't influence his study.¹⁴

While the press and most homosexuals laud LeVay's research, a few homosexuals see through its faulty scientific method. Michael Botkin, a homosexual author, writes: "A sloppy control like this is enough by itself to invalidate the study. LeVay's defence? He knows his controls are heterosexual because their brains are different from the HIVer corpses. Sorry doctor, this is circular logic."¹⁵

Another highly publicized study was done by homosexual Dr. Dean Hamer, a scientist at the National Institutes of Health. He reports that a region on the X chromosome is tied to some cases of homosexuality. But interestingly enough, when the same study was done on lesbians, the genetic link wasn't present. Hamer's work is now under investigation by the federal Office of Research Integrity because one of his assistants alleges that the doctor intentionally skewed data to fit his conclusions.¹⁶

For years homosexual activists have persistently quoted Alfred Kinsey's 1948 research. It claims that 10 percent of the population is homosexual. Recently, though, Kinsey has been discredited by none other than the Kinsey Institute. John Bancroft, director of the Institute, reveals that Kinsey based his statistics on the diary of a single pedophile who recorded his experiences with 317 pre-adolescent boys.¹⁷ He says, "Kinsey gave the impression that the data came from three or four men, but it was just one."¹⁸

The truth of the matter is that probably only one to three percent of the population is homosexual. The Kinsey Institute conducted a study in 1970 that found only 1.4 percent of people regularly engaged in homosexual conduct after age 20. This is in harmony with a 1989 survey, which revealed that fewer than one percent of adults exclusively engaged in same-sex relationships.¹⁹

Even if a genetic link is found, it will not prove that God creates homosexuals. God is not to be blamed for the genetic deficiencies we're born with. When asked why a man was born blind, Jesus didn't respond, "Because God made him this way." Rather, He said that God was to be glorified through healing the man of the effects of his faulty genes (John 9:1-7).

So it is with homosexuals who might have a genetic predisposition. (Notice I said "might." The verdict is still out.) God didn't make them this way. It is the result of the degeneration of humankind by thousands of years of sin. God doesn't create any of the aberrations sin causes. However, He can be glorified in genetically challenged people. Jesus will provide victory over what genetics might influence.

Don't forget that all of us are born with a genetic predisposition to sin. But this doesn't provide license for sin. Jesus came in the likeness of our biologically weakened flesh to gain the victory for us. Now, instead of sin reigning in our lives, the law of God can be fulfilled through us (Romans 8:3, 4).

A Disadvantaged Minority?

There is a well-strategised movement among homosexual activists to shift people away from these Bible truths. It is organized and financed by a highly capable homosexual community. According to recent marketing studies, homosexuals have an average household income of more than \$55,400-nearly \$23,000 above the average American household. Gays are also three times more likely to be college graduates, as well as three times more likely to hold professional or managerial jobs. They are four times more likely to be overseas travellers.²⁰

Because of their wealth, education, and persistent political activism, gays have been able to form one of the most feared political action committees (PAC's) in Washington. Newsweek magazine reports: "Homosexuals are a powerful and increasingly savvy bloc. Their money, organizing talent, and votes are openly sought, and their agenda is championed in a way that would have been inconceivable only a few years ago."²¹

President Bill Clinton courted their clout during his 1992 presidential campaign. As a reward for their votes, he made it his first duty to grant homosexuals key cabinet staff positions and pushed for allowing them into the military. During his entire presidency Clinton has been pro-homosexual. A letter from Clinton was read to the 300,000 homosexuals who marched on Washington, D.C., on Sunday, April 25, 1993. The President said, "I stand with you in your struggle for equality for all Americans, including gay men and lesbians."²² He has endorsed Senator Ted Kennedy's legislation to extend special rights in the workplace to homosexuals.²³ And in the midst of public debate over same-sex marriages, Clinton's deputy press secretary says the president "doesn't think that same-sex marriages should be outlawed."²⁴

While conservative Christians received virtually no support from the Clinton administration, the homosexual agenda was frequently championed. In March 1995, Vice President Al Gore hosted a party at his residence to honor homosexual and lesbian activists. During the party, Gore said, "It's a wonderful thing to do what you're doing, and that's devoting your lives to others. This dedication is an outgrowth of the way you live your entire lives."²⁵ Two weeks later, President

Clinton met with the same homosexuals. He told them that he had appointed a paid White House staff person to serve as their special liaison.²⁶ This is a remarkable first in U.S. history.

Considering the influential status of homosexuals and their advantageous demographics, it is a curious matter that they are able to lobby successfully for minority protection status. To qualify for special rights, groups must be: (1) disadvantaged, (2) not defined by behavior, and (3) politically powerless. Women, blacks, and the handicapped have met these qualifications. Homosexuals do not. Besides, they already have equal rights status, as does everyone else, to protect them from discrimination. But even though they don't meet these criteria for a disadvantaged minority, gays have sought this special legal protection so they can gain preferential treatment and have more influence for their cause.

The Homosexual Strategy

When homosexuals are given minority protection status, it spells trouble. Ann Lockwood discovered this through an unfortunate firsthand experience. She and her roommate put a notice in the classified ads seeking a possible third roommate. The ad was answered by an openly lesbian woman. Ann and her heterosexual roommate politely declined the lady's response. But this was not the end of it.

The lesbian filed a legal suit against them using a 1989 Madison, Wisconsin, gay rights ordinance. Ann and her roommate were summoned to appear before an ostensibly "fact-finding" board, the Madison Equal Opportunities Commission. After 4.5 hours of interrogation, they were assessed fines totaling \$1,500. They were also ordered to attend "sensitivity" classes, taught by lesbians and designed to realign their "politically incorrect" views of homosexuality. Finally, both were told to report periodically to the city for monitoring of their lifestyle for the next three years.

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Similar cases include a Catholic Archdiocese that was fined \$35,000 for refusing to open church facilities to a homosexual club and a priest who was sued because he refused to hire a homosexual to teach in a church school. In Minneapolis, Big Brothers, an organization that pairs adult men with fatherless boys to provide a good role model, was prosecuted for merely telling one mother that a prospective Big Brother was homosexual. After years of legal suits, Big Brothers has adopted a national policy of "accepting gay men as prospective Big Brothers to fatherless youths."²⁸

What are the goals of the homosexuals? The 1972 Gay Rights Platform, which has not been changed or rescinded in more than 20 years, calls for "Repeal of all state laws prohibiting sexual acts involving consenting persons" (notice, not "consenting adults"); "Repeal of all laws governing the age of sexual consent;" and "Repeal of all laws ... that restrict the sex or number of persons entering into a marriage unit."²⁹

More recently, homosexual author Steve Warren told Christians what gays expect of them. In *The Advocate*, the nation's largest and most mainstream homosexual publication, he says: "Here are some of the things you will be expected to affirm. ... 1. Henceforth, homosexuality will be spoken of in your churches and synagogues as an 'honorable estate.' 2. You can either let us marry people of the same sex, or better yet abolish marriage altogether. ... 3. You will be expected to offer ceremonies that bless our sexual arrangements. ... You will also instruct your people in homosexual as well as heterosexual behavior, and you will go out of your way to make certain that homosexual youths are allowed to date, attend religious functions together, openly display affection, and enjoy each other's sexuality without embarrassment or guilt. 4. If any of the older people in your midst object, you will deal with them sternly, making certain they renounce their ugly and ignorant homophobia or suffer public humiliation. 5. You will also make certain that ... laws are passed forbidding discrimination against homosexuals and heavy punishments are assessed. ... 6. Finally, we will in all likelihood want to expunge a number of passages from your Scriptures and rewrite others, eliminating preferential treatment of marriage and using words that will allow for homosexual interpretations of passages describing biblical lovers such as Ruth and Boaz or Solomon and the Queen of Sheba. Warning: If all these things do not come to pass

quickly, we will subject Orthodox Jews and Christians to the most sustained hatred and vilification in recent memory. We have captured the liberal establishment and the press. We have already beaten you on a number of battlefields. ... You have neither the faith nor the strength to fight us, so you might as well surrender now."³⁰

Gays Target Children

One of the means homosexuals are using to achieve their agenda is to indoctrinate school children with homosexual propaganda. And the National Education Association (NEA) is providing willing assistance. The NEA is a private teachers' union that has a virtual monopoly on American schools. Along with its cousin, the American Federation of Teachers, it has been successful in getting 34 states to pass laws forbidding teachers to be represented officially by any other unions.

³¹ Here are just a few of the ways the NEA is advancing homosexuality.

The NEA has recommended that public schools designate one month each year as "Gay/Lesbian History Month."³² Two NEA-approved books for kindergarteners and first-graders were written to condition children, ages 2 to 8, to accept homosexuality as normal and wholesome. *Daddy's Roommate* is about a boy's divorced father. A picture in the book shows his father in bed with his homosexual roommate. The "moral" the boy learns is that "being gay is just one more kind of love." *Heather Has Two Mommies* is about a little girl who is conceived in her lesbian mother's womb through artificial insemination. She goes to nursery school and learns that she and her "mommies" form a "special" family and that only love matters in a relationship.³³

The New York City Board of Education argued in favor of the books as necessary to promote "tolerance" of people who are different.³⁴ Alyson Publications, the publisher, says these two books are for "kids who themselves may later decide they are gay."³⁵

It is a pity that Alyson, also a major publisher of pedophile (homosexuals who prey on minor children) and homosexual books, is allowed to market its perverted thinking to the impressionable and innocent minds of children without parental consent or knowledge. One of Alyson's most published authors, Pat Califia, wrote this startling statement: "Boy-lovers and the lesbians who have young lovers ... are not child molesters. The child abusers are priests, teachers, therapists, cops, and parents who force their staid morality onto the young people in their custody."³⁶

Some teachers are being sent to conferences where they are taught how to promote homosexuality. At a Denver taxpayer-subsidized continuing education course, teachers were presented with a several-hundred-page guide entitled "Gay and Lesbian Youth Tools for Educators." The introductory article declares: "There is no biblical sex ethic. The Bible knows only a love ethic." In addition to promoting acceptance of homosexuality, bisexuality, lesbianism, and condom use (with graphic descriptions of these behaviors and techniques), this teachers' guide suggests that resources be distributed to children including pamphlets (i.e., "I Think I May Be Gay," etc.) containing telephone numbers of homosexual support groups for children to contact.³⁷

The guide also contains a questionnaire designed to be answered by heterosexual junior high and high school students. It asks, among other questions: "3. Is it possible your heterosexuality is just a phase you may outgrow? 5. Is it possible that all you need is a good gay lover? 7. If you have never slept with a person of the same sex, how do you know that you would not prefer to do so? 14. How can you hope to become a whole person if you limit yourself to an exclusive heterosexual object choice and remain unwilling to explore and develop your normal, natural, healthy homosexual potential?"³⁸ Astoundingly, American citizens' tax dollars are being used to promote this blatantly homosexual propaganda.

Homosexuals have also found a beachhead for their movement in an organization that traditionally has specialized in marketing to children, Walt Disney Studios. Tom Schumacher, executive producer for the cartoon classic *The Lion King*, has been called "one of the most influential homosexuals in Hollywood." He says, "I was an out [of the closet] gay man when I

came to Disney ... there are a lot of gay people here at every level. It is a very supportive environment."³⁹

Disney is so supportive that Schumacher finds it very comfortable to take his "husband" to company retreats and parties. He says, "What is funny is that Jeffrey [Katzberg, chairman of Walt Disney Studios] did not bat an eye. ... we talk about it all the time. [Disney's chief executive officer] Michael Eisner didn't bat an eye either."⁴⁰

In an interview with *The Advocate*, Schumacher was asked whether there will ever be a place for homosexual characters to appear in a Disney cartoon classic. He answered, "I am loathe to say there are characters who are gay in our movies because people will want me to go backward and point them out."⁴¹ While Schumacher is not revealing which characters are gay, some of their actors are talking openly about it.

Ernie Sabella and Nathan Lane played Timon, the meerkat, and Pumbaa, the wart hog, in *The Lion King*. They said in a *New York Times* interview that their characters were homosexual.⁴² A more obvious gay element in *The Lion King* is homosexual singer Elton John's songs that croon throughout it. Elton's presence is not happenstance. Schumacher considers this "his proudest achievement" in the project.⁴³

Another gay producer at Disney is lesbian Lauren Lloyd. She says Disney was attracted to her because of her sexual preference. One year after joining Disney, "Lloyd has 15 films in development, with 14 that have 'strong women's leads' including two actual lesbian pictures."⁴⁴

United Sodomites of America

Homosexual activists are working diligently to reorder society. Their politically correct Pledge of Allegiance may one day say: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United Sodomites of America. One country under sodomy, none objecting, with liberty and justice for all who agree with homosexuals." If you doubt their intent, look at the message homosexuals sent U.S. leaders.

On the weekend of April 23-25, 1993, the March on Washington for Lesbian, Gay and Bi Equal Rights and Liberation took place in the U.S. capital. At that time, 300,000 homosexuals and lesbians marched in the city. The *Washington Post* reported that at one point "perhaps 10,000 hand-clapping, war-whooping lesbians erupted out of Dupont Circle" shouting, "'We're dykes, we're out, we're out for power!'" Then in front of the White House, an elementary school teacher from Seattle climbed a statue and "threw off her shirt and began an ebullient, bare-breasted, hip-thrusting victory dance-in-place." Once the victory dance was done, the crowd started chanting toward the White House: "Chelsea! Chelsea!" On the event's main stage, lesbian comedian Lea Delaria openly lusted after Mrs. Clinton by making a very vulgar statement. If not outrageous enough already, hundreds of lesbians marched topless down Pennsylvania Avenue, and some engaged in homosexual acts in front of children. True to politically correct form, police told bystanders they had orders not to arrest law violators.⁴⁵

The U.S.A. is also in the homosexual export business. Consider the September 1995 United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women that met in Beijing, China. The United States representation consisted of the first lady, Hillary Clinton, and 125 government representatives. Mrs. Clinton's team required five Air Force jets, which cost in excess of \$1 million. Commercial airfare for the other U.S. representatives added another half-million dollars to the tab. Here are a few titles of the workshops that were offered: *The Role of Inflatable Life-Size Plastic Dolls and Dildos in Improving Health*; *Lesbianism for the Curious*; *Spirit and Action: Lesbian Activism From an Interfaith Perspective*; *Lesbian and Mother*; *Talking About Being Sperm Donors*; *Lesbian Flirtation Techniques Workshop*; *Lesbians in the Baltics: New Phenomenon of the 90s*.⁴⁶

The Platform for Action voted by delegates was lauded by lesbian activists and feminists. A few months later, Donna Shalala, Clinton administration secretary of Health and Human Services, publicly stated that she intends to fulfill in America the liberally biased commitments made by the U.S. delegation.⁴⁷

Nearing the End of Time

All of this only goes to show that we are living in the time that Bible writers foresaw. "But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God." 2 Timothy 3:1-4. The rise in homosexuals' popularity and acceptance indicates that the people of this world are moving further and further from God.

In light of current events, we might wonder how far things will digress. Certainly, in all this confusion there is a call to seek God. While we should love sinners and help them find peace and eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ, we must not fall prey to the falsehoods of homosexual activists. The Bible clearly defines homosexuality as sin. Let's compassionately lead homosexuals into a saving relationship with Jesus while steadfastly maintaining the truths of God's Word.

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