Gay Marriage & Christian Hypocrisy

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In our article "Marriage: What Christians Should Know," we covered how men and women are involving themselves in witchcraft rituals for wedding ceremonies, and that the only Biblical requirements for a man and woman to be married is their word and confession of their marriage. (There is a writ of divorce, but no writ of marriage in the Bible.) However, the requirement for Biblical marriage is quite clear that it is between a man and a woman.

And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him... And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man. 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. Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.



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-Genesis 2:18-24

This gives us the design and function of marriage from the very beginning. The reason a man and woman are married is because they were one person from the start, but now split into two people, and the marriage is the fleshly rejoining of that separation. This means there is no Biblical argument one can give for same-sex (or homosexual) marriage; it's an oxymoron.

I find myself being very frustrated listening to Christians fight the "gay marriage" issue, not because of the homosexuals, but because most Christians have no understand of what they're doing and why they're doing it.

Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: Who changed the truth of God into a lie... For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet. And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient:

-Romans 1:24-28

When we study the Word of God, their seeking after wickedness is to be expected because God gives them up to their vile affections and lust. Those who self-identify as homosexuals (gays, lesbians, etc) are liars because they do that which is against the natural creation of God, and they do not retain God in their knowledge at all. (That means "Gay Christians" don't actually exist because those are contradictory terms.)

(Read "Do Christians Sin?" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

Romans 1 continues, and God explains to us that those who self-identify with homosexuality are wicked people.

Being filled with all <u>unrighteousness</u>, <u>fornication</u>, <u>wickedness</u>, <u>covetousness</u>, <u>maliciousness</u>; <u>full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful</u>: Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

-Romans 1:29-32

I didn't say that homosexuals are wicked people; God said that directly in His Word. It doesn't matter how much they want to attempt to justify their sodomy, they're condemned despite their perversion. These homosexuals are wicked in their hearts despite what they may claim, and from wicked people, we expect foolish and wicked deeds.

There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death. -Proverbs 14:12

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

-Jeremiah 17:9

He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered.

-Proverbs 28:26

So again, I say it is not from the wicked unbelievers that I see a problem; **the frustration I have concerning homosexuals and marriage is actually aimed at Christians.** This may come as a surprise to some of our readers, but I am against about 99% of Christian advocates against gay marriage. This is not because I support homosexual marriage (it is very clearly an abomination to the Lord Jesus Christ), but rather it's **due to the fact that the mass majority of Christians do not stand on Biblical foundation** when they march around with their cardboard signs.

I should expect that true born-again Christians would operate on proper Biblical foundation, and it is because most of them do not, that this article is going to end up more a rebuke of Christians, than preaching against homosexuality. Homosexuality doesn't need much explanation because the Bible clearly spells out that it is wicked; what we really need is Christians to gain some Biblical understanding about what they say and do, and **quit allowing the Devil to waste our time with insignificant matters**.

<u>The heart of the righteous studieth to answer</u>: but the mouth of the wicked poureth out evil things.

-Proverbs 15:28

To understand why **most Christians are wasting their time fighting "gay marriage" issues**, we need to look at the definitions of marriage. Though the state and the Bible both use the term "marriage," they do *NOT* mean the same thing.

QUESTION	STATE	BIBLE
Is a license required?	Yes	No
Does someone have to marry the couple?	Yes	No
Can you get divorced for any reason?	Yes	No
Can same-sex couples marry?	Yes	No
Can you get a "legal separation?"	Yes	No

Just because two different people might say the same word, it is not automatically concluded that each person intends the same meaning when they use that word. The table above clearly demonstrates that what the U.S. government defines as "marriage" is not real marriage.

Legal (State) Definitions of Marriage

marriage: the civil status of one man and one woman united in law for life, for the discharge to each other and the community of the duties legally incumbent on those whose association is founded on the distinction of sex (See 'marriage', Black's Law Dictionary, 2nd Edition, [thelawdictionary.org])

When it says "united in law," it is talking about the law of the state, not the law of God. The "legal duties" are not referring to those listed out in God's Word, but those listed out in the contract concerning the protection of corporate assets with each spouse towards the state.

(We'll see examples later where the definition has been changed -- Black's Law Dictionary is currently on its 10th Edition.)

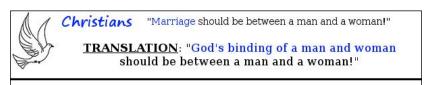
The average Christian will point out that even Black's Law Dictionary defines it as "one man and one woman," but remember that these definitions were written by MEN for the purpose of state courts, and can be changed at any time by MEN. (It is not eternal like God's Word.) They were not designed on the foundation of the Word of God, and thus, when Christians argue the state definition of marriage using the Bible, they are wasting their time because these definitions were not created using the Bible.

The origin of marriage is found in the Bible, but suppose evolution were true for the sake of argument, then marriage would be a completely useless and ridiculous sentiment for numerous reasons. Furthermore, if God's Word were not true (as most Americans treat it today), then marriage is just some imaginary concept created by man, and the ultimate authority over it would be the government (which is also how most Americans treat it today).

As we already discussed in the aforementioned article on marriage, the "marriage license" granted by the state is actually a business contract between you, your spouse, and the government, or in other words, it's a business arrangement that protects the assets of the state, because when you sign that contract, the business that you formed between you and your spouse (and any children born through that business arrangement) belongs to the state.

(Read "Marriage: What Christians Should Know" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

So what Christians are actually doing is protesting to the government that it needs to keep marriage between a man and a woman, but Christians do so out of completely laughable ignorance because they do not define the terms. Let's look at a mock conversation to see the problems with this:



TRANSLATION: "People should be free to have a corporate business contract, despite gender."

"People should be free to have a marriage, despite gender." Governme

When a Christian says "marriage," they mean: God's binding of a man and woman in the flesh When the government says "marriage," they mean:

corporate business contract with the state

The state is not concerned with your personal beliefs about God because the marriage license they provide is a CORPORATE BUSINESS CONTRACT. (Christians, are you understanding this yet?) When you argue with the government that they should shape their corporate business contracts after the Bible, then you are arguing that the government needs to make laws establishing your personal religious beliefs.

United States Constitution: Amendment I

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances."



Christians "Marriage has always been between a man and woman!"

TRANSLATION: "God's binding of a man and woman has always been between a man and woman!"

TRANSLATION: "Homosexual corporate business contract simply was not legal until now."

"Homosexual marriage simply was not legal until now." Government



Fighting against gay marriage is fighting against the conditions of the corporate business contract/license people have with the state. That contract/license was not created with God in mind, and as we discussed in the article on marriage, it is legally spelled out that it has nothing to do with any "god." Why are Christians wasting so much of their time trying

to get good fruit out of an evil tree?

Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. -Matthew 7:17-18



On this point, I would have to agree with the government that God has nothing to do with corporate business contracts in terms of sanctification or validation. Ultimately, 99% of Christians are committing the fallacy of using "bait-and-switch" tactics because they start out using the term marriage in context concerning the Bible, but switch the definition mid-conversation when they refer to state licensing.

Marriage by God in the Bible, and marriage licenses from the state, are NOT the same thing.

If there was a law passed preventing states to allow homosexual business contracts on the grounds of the Bible, that would be a law respecting an establishment of religion, and the supreme court would easily shoot that down. So in response to this, the Christian marriage organizations will say that they're fighting this on a state level, which again, is a waste of time because in reality, they're fighting against American citizens' rights to have a corporate business contract with the state, and Christians are ignorantly attempting to merge Bible into that subject, as if God's Word says "Heathen shalt not have business contracts."



Since so many states in the U.S.A. have legalized corporate business contracts (marriage licenses) for homosexuals, there are now rising instances of the government forcing people to marry gay couples. Idaho passed their homosexual legalization on Oct 13, 2014, and a news report came out on the 20th:

"Donald and Evelyn Knapp, owners of Hitching Post Wedding Chapel in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, are being represented by the Alliance Defending Freedom, a conservative legal firm, claiming that <u>city officials told them that they are required to conduct gay marriages under a nondiscrimination ordinance.</u> If they do not, the Knapps say, that they could "face months in jail and/or thousands of dollars in fines," according to a press release from Alliance Defending Freedom. The firm said the couple could face up to 180 days in jail or \$1,000 in fines for each day they refuse."

-Billy Hallowell, "Reportedly Threatened With Jail Time and Fines For Refusing to Marry Gays -- and Now They're Fighting Back," *The Blaze*, Oct 20, 2014, retrieved Dec 17, 2014, [theblaze.com/stories/2014/10/20/ordained-ministers-who-refuse-to-marry-gay-couples-in-their-chapel-are-fighting-back-after-reportedly-being-threatened-with-fines-and-jail-time]

"If you turn away a gay couple, refuse to provide services for them, then in theory you violated our code and you're looking at a potential misdemeanor citation,' [city attorny Warren] Wilson told a local television station, KXLY."
-Sarah P. Bailey, "Idaho Ministers Sue to Prevent Gay Weddings At For-Profit Wedding Chapel," Religion News Service, Oct 19, 2014, retrieved Dec 17, 2014, [religionnews.com/2014/10/19/ministers-own-chapel-sue-idaho-city-declining-marry-gay-couple]

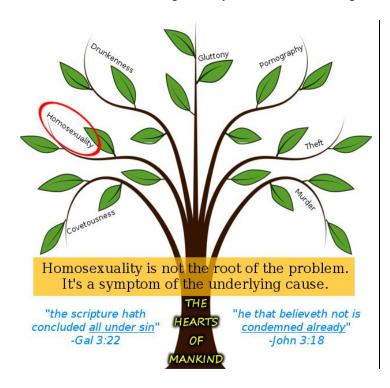
The problem is in the corporate status. Although the "Hitching Post" is not 501c3 incorporated, they are a legal for-profit business, which is a corporation once you file the paperwork, and under the status of a corporation, you are obligated to comply with all state regulations, including the nondiscrimination ordinance, and that means the owners are contractually obligated to marry homosexuals whether they like it or not. Not only are the for-profits being forced, but soon, we will see the non-profits (501c3) also be forced to do the same under contractual obligation -- ADF still has no clue what they're really doing.

(Read "501c3: The Devil's Church" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

However, if Christians will sanctify themselves from the corporate contracts, having nothing to do with them, the problem is solved for the Church of Christ. Though individual States have a right to individually pass laws with respect to religious beliefs, this issue isn't about a religion belief about marriage -- we're talking about *CORPORATE BUSINESS CONTRACTS*, so here are major points to consider:

- 1. The state is handing out corporate business contracts to homosexuals under the term "marriage." This means the second a Christian starts picketing against gay marriage, in reality, they're picketing the state to altar the terms of another person's private corporate business contract, which violates their rights. (And can technically be considered violation of Article VI in the U.S. Constitution.)
- 2. Christians ought not to seek after government permission to do things which God already gave us permission to do. Whether it's 501(c)(3) incorporation of a "church/ministry," or marriage, the state has

- no business in the authority of Jesus Christ. U.S. Christians are seeking man's approval instead of God's approval.
- 3. The rise of homosexuality is a *SYMPTOM* of an underlying problem. When the church turns from Christ to adhere to new-age doctrine, and still calls it "christianity," then wickedness in general [homosexuality being only one of many problems] will run around unchecked. Having enough people claiming to be Christian, standing at every street corner with signs, will not fix the problem.



Many American "Christians" today are more wrapped up in CHURCH-ianity, rather than CHRIST-ianty, seeking for men to rule over them in every matter because they have rejected the Lord Jesus Christ's rule over their lives.

And the LORD said unto Samuel, Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them.

-1 Samuel 8:7

Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us. He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.

-Psalm 2:1-4

If Christians were truly standing on Biblical foundation, they would simply laugh at these "gay marriages" because it is impossible to have a real Biblical marriage between same sex when the Lord God doesn't allow it. Marriage in the government is nothing more than a corporate business contract that protects assets (which actually belong to the state, not to the couple).

The homosexuals have no support from God or the Bible, and they know it, which is why they've slowly been developing "gay-friendly" versions, like the new *Queen James Bible* that adds/removes from God's Word, which is a desperate cry in desire to have God approve their sin because they don't want to repent.

(And yes, that's the cover to that new queer "bible.")

For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, <u>If any man shall add unto these things</u>, <u>God shall add unto him the plagues</u> that are written in this book: And <u>if any man shall take away</u> from the words of the book of this prophecy, <u>God shall take away his part out of</u>

The Queen James Bolds

the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.
-Revelation 22:18-19

To further understand the foundational philosophy behind the marriage license issue, let's pose the following question: "Why do homosexuals need government permission to get married?" Think about it this way, why couldn't two homosexuals just wake up one morning, decide they're married, and confess that to everyone else?

Instinctively, in mankind's hearts, most of us seem to understand that marriage needs some sort of authority, otherwise marriage would be completely subjective (based on one's own opinions), and that means there would be many different "types" of marriage. Thus, since most people reject the true living Christian God of the Bible, they look to religious (pagan) or government approval to do whatever they desire.

Ignorant Christians Defend Corporate Contracts

Many Christians will argue their marriage license is Biblical, staying in accordance to the laws of the land, but I ask them: "Where there is a law that requires you to have a state marriage contract?" Sinful people meet up all the time to have sex, live together in fornication, have children, separate, and they do all these things without ever having a corporate license from the state, so if there was a law requiring a marriage license for all these things, then all people who have ever done them would be in prison, or heavily fined. The Christians who make this argument are ignorant of the fact that a "marriage license" is a corporate business contract with the state, designed to protect assets in a court of law, but having nothing to do with an actual joining of man and woman in one flesh.

I ask Christians, "Why did you go to the state to get permission to do something God already gave you permission to do?" The reason you went to the government to get permission was because God's permission wasn't enough for you; you sought after a license because of the fear of man, instead of fearing God. If you have a marriage license, and you're going to be honest, here's what went through your head:

- "What would our parents think if we didn't get a marriage license?"
- "What would our friends think about us?"
- "What would our church think of us?"
- "What would our pastor think of us?"

You don't need a corporate charter to have a chruch or a ministry, anymore than you need a corporate charter to have a marriage, but the trap is laid for those who do not have a love of the truth.

<u>The fear of man bringeth a snare</u>: but whoso putteth his trust in the LORD shall be safe.
-Proverbs 29:25

The average American Christian today has the fear of man as their foundation, and a socialist type of fear, that begs the government (their true final authority) to force people do what what the Bible says. They fear what man thinks and care for what man establishes, more than they fear what the Lord Jesus Christ thinks and what He establishes.

It is better to trust in the LORD <u>than to put confidence in man</u>.
-Psalm 118:8

Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, <u>We ought to obey God rather than men.</u>
-Acts 5:29

If most Christians will be honest, they went out to get that corporate license because they feared men more than God, and that peer pressure puts them into the snare of a corporate contract. Those who say, "we were just doing what they told us to do," are attempting to make excuses for themselves because they put their trust in men, having fear in other gods before the Lord God.

Whether we look to the Lord God for our authority, or whether people seek after corporate business licenses, most people seem to be looking for an authority to approve their marriage, but again, we have to define exactly what we mean when we say "marriage" because the state's definition has been, is, and will be altered to include anything mankind's wicked hearts desire.

"<u>A man</u> in southern India <u>married a female dog</u> in a traditional Hindu ceremony as an attempt to atone for stoning two other dogs to death — an act he believes cursed him — a newspaper reported Tuesday."

-NBC News, "Man in India marries dog as atonement," *Associated Press*, Nov 13, 2007, retrieved July 28, 2014, [www.nbcnews.com/id/21768663/ns/world_news-weird_news/t/man-india-marries-dog-atonement/#.U9aFF_ldV8E]

"Toowoomba, Australia, resident Joseph Guiso <u>married his best friend, Honey, a five-</u> year-old Labrador yesterday. Attendees were assured, 'It's not sexual, it's just pure love.""

-Nitasha Tiku, "Perfectly Normal-Looking Australian Guy Marries His Dog," *New York Magazine*, Dec 1, 2010, retrieved July 28, 2014, [nymag.com/daily/intelligencer/2010/12/perfectly_normal-looking_austr.html]



apparently became the world's first person to 'marry' a dolphin. Dressed in a white dress, a veil and pink flowers in her hair, Tendler got down on one knee on the dock and gave Cindy a kiss. And a piece of herring... While she still kept open the option of 'marrying a human' at some stage, she said for now she was strictly a 'one-dolphin woman'. She's hardly the jealous type, though. 'He will still play with all the other girls there,' she said, of their prenuptial agreement. 'I hope he has a lot of baby dolphins with the other dolphins. The more dolphins the better.'"

-Fox News, "British Woman Marries Dolphin," *Associated Press*, Jan 3, 2006, retrieved July 28, 2014, [www.foxnews.com/story/2006/01/03/british-woman-marries-dolphin]

"German pop star Ramma Damma, aka Ulli Hopper, decided to get <u>married – to a pineapple</u>. Picking up his bride for about \$20 he and the pineapple – which he affectionately named Tippi – were wed before returning to his home in Munich"

-Metro, "German Pop Star Marries a Pineapple," Oct 9, 2008, retrieved July 28, 2014, [metro.co.uk/2008/10/09/german-pop-star-marries-a-pineapple-11053]

Since mankind makes up their own legal definitions of marriage apart from God's Word, then they'll amend the definition to include anything they want. If you remember earlier, I quoted from the 2nd Edition of Black's Law Dictionary, but today, they have a 10th Edition, so how much do you think it's changed? Let's look at a modern-day general dictionary to see how marriage is defined:

marriage (n): any of the diverse forms of interpersonal union established in various parts of the world to form a familial bond that is recognized legally, religiously, or socially, granting the participating partners mutual conjugal rights and responsibilities (See 'marriage', Random House Dictionary, 2014, [www.dictionary.com]; See also Collins English Dictionary, 10th Edition, William Collins Sons & Co, 2009)

Modern dictionaries have no interest in Biblical definitions; they only define words based on popular usage, and thus, the definition someone would have known 200 years ago (i.e. between a man and woman) is no longer specified in general use. This definition leaves it open to personal interpretation, whether by Christians, state officials, or homosexuals, and the blending of the term into all areas removes any Biblical specification, which causes each party to talk past one another.

When we see Hallmark greeting cards in stores (like the one shown here), the solution to the problem is not to boycott the store because the store doesn't care. Though some businesses do take stands on political/religious matters, most of them don't take any stand one way or another. They only provide what will make them money, and since our nation is getting more wicked every day, these cards, and other paraphernalia, will only become more commonplace. The real source of the problem is coming from the hearts of mankind, and the only solution is the Lord Jesus Christ.



HAPPY FATHER'S DRY, DAD & POP! (Above image by Hallmark; Artist: Kylie Wu)

So what should Christians do?

First thing: We need to examine and sanctify ourselves.

Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?

-2 Corinthians 13:5

- We've got a whole nation of new-age, Laodecian people, calling themselves Christians, who get501(c)(3) incorporated, which yokes them up with homosexual organizations under the same corporate status. How can you fight against homosexuality that you're yoked up with?
- We've got a whole nation of new-age, Laodecian people, calling themselves Christians, who use new-age "bible" versions (e.g. the NIV) that edit the Word of God to help people accept homosexuality as natural instead of sinful. How can you fight against homosexuality when you use their wicked texts?
- We've got a whole nation of new-age, Laodecian people, calling themselves Christians, who refuse rebuke, reproof, exhortation, instruction, and correction in God's Word because they love to hypocritically judge other sins, without first recognizing their own. How can you fight against homosexuality when you haven't cleaned up your own life?
- We've got a whole nation of new-age, Laodecian people, calling themselves Christians, who run out and get licenses for their marriage (and have wicked, pagan ceremonies) because they respect the person of a pastor or lawyer to such a degree, they wouldn't dare question them. How can you fight against homosexuality when you took the same corporate contract they're taking?

Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

-2 Corinthians 6:14-18

I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.

And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

-John 17:15-19

The main problem is that most American Christians have yoked themselves together with the very wickedness they're attempting to fight.

(Sanctified means "separated" or "set apart" -- Read "Did Christ Come to Bring Peace?" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

If we have a church that's leavened, that won't set themselves apart from the world, we can't accomplish anything. Today's American churches are pathetic; being blind, naked, miserable, and wretched, but thinking they're in need of nothing.

Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:

-Revelation 3:17

If you want to fix the problem with "gay marriage," you first have to address the cause of the problem, which is not homosexuality. The problem is the pride and lust of men, and that can only be solved by the Lord Jesus Christ and his doctrines, which we Christians as a whole (the body/the church) are given commandment and responsibility to teach.

<u>Go ye therefore, and teach all nations</u>, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

-Matthew 28:19-20



If you want to carry a sign, put the ten commandments on it and show these homosexuals that they are liars, thieves, fornicators, adulterers, etc. Show them that they will end up in hell whether or not they have homosexual desires because everyone is under sin.

But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe...

Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.

-Galatians 3:22-24

If you want to fix the country's current situation, then the hearts of man have to be changed, and there is only one man who can do that. That man is currently at the right hand of the Lord God. If we don't get the Lord Jesus Christ to change mankind's hearts, then soon, all states in our nation will allow corporate business licenses for sodomites.

It's inevitable that a wicked nation will reap curses, and it's inevitable that a righteous nation will reap blessings. Israel killed their prophets, and you can see what happened to them, exactly as God said it would. The less prophetic rebuke in proper instruction from the Word of God we have in the church, the more wicked the nation will become, and that's the way it's always been.

The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun.