

Is there a True Standard for Gender & Sexuality?

Investigating the evidence behind the message and assumptions of the LGBT movement

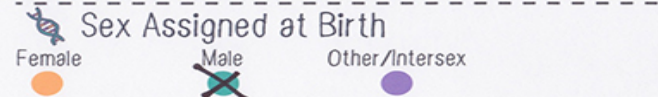
Sexuality is Biological?

- "Did you choose your sex when you were born? Sexuality and gender identity are not choices any more than being left-handed or having brown eyes or being heterosexual are choices. They are a part of who you are. The choice is in deciding how to live your life."
 - "*Guide to Coming Out*"; Human Rights Campaign (Nov. 2003); hrc.org

Movements in Gender and Sexuality

The Gender Unicorn

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Shifting Standards of Justification

- Biological determinism? Or environment? Or preference?
- Biological determinism was given as strong justification on a cultural level
 - Met with resistance by bisexual and transgendered viewpoints
 - The fracture over mono-sexism and characteristics of “queer”
- Transgender justification
 - Treating gender dysphoria with hormone treatments (biological reversal)
- Issues of trans-ageist /transracial /social identification
 - Justification: Biological? Social? Personal?

Still Searching for Proof? Why?

- "After 40 years of discourse defending homosexuality by asserting that it's an inborn trait, that particular line of argumentation is starting to wear thin. There's a new 'gay gene' study making the rounds this week and while some members of the press are celebrating the study as objective and necessary evidence that homosexuality is not a 'choice,' most gay, lesbian, and bisexual people I know could not care less... If it's hard to get excited about these studies, it's because, at this point, biological explanations for homosexuality are like iPhones—a new one comes out every year... At its best, the idea that sexual orientation has a genetic influence functions as a sharp rhetorical strategy in a homophobic world that demands proof that homosexuality is not 'a choice' in order to recognize its validity... It doesn't matter whether or not you were 'born this way,' what matters is being accepted the way you are, however you got there."
 - "The Problematic Hunt for a 'Gay Gene'"; Samantha Allen, Nov. 20, 2014

Love is Love?

- It's not about the sex or gender of the person but how they treat you! So, as long as you're getting the love and affection that you need to be happy in love then it doesn't and/or shouldn't matter what gender is loving you.

Often a term used by bisexuals or those who have no issues with swinging with the same-sex as long as the loving is good!

- Orators Speak, 2011

Problematic Concepts of Love

- **Limiting Love?**

- Why would anyone want to limit who someone loved or how they manifested love?

- **Love as the standard?**

- “Love is Love...except not for incest, don’t do that.”
- Definition for marriage is love...except for polygamy or bestiality

- **A false comparison?**

- If no standard of love then there is no limitation to who or what can be included

- **God is the only true standard of love**

- 1 John 4:8,16

Consequences of Non-standards

- If there is no standard, there is no limit to what can be justified
- Arbitrary standards have no ground and are meaningless to provide a real reason for why actions would be prohibited
- Why should there be any ruling or law against polygamy, bestiality, or even pedophilia?
- On what basis should love be limited to only adults? Why is this standard even there?
- Warning to those who try to confuse
 - Isaiah 5:20-21

God's Standard of Gender & Sexuality

- **Man and Woman for life**
 - Matthew 19:4-6
- **Deviating from the sexual standard is sin**
 - Hebrews 13:4
- **Lusting and committing sexual immorality will lead to spiritual death**
 - James 1:14-16
- **Hinder one from the kingdom of Heaven**
 - 1 Corinthians 6:9-10
- **There is hope**
 - 1 Corinthians 6:11; 2 Peter 3:9