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Subject: Re: Catholic adoption agencies and homosexuality

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reborn wrote on Thu, 18 March 2010 06:56 There is zero research to support the argument that there's a relationship between homosexual lifestyle and child molestation.

Infact, it is proven that a child molester is unlikely to be attracted to adult males at all.

That's a very 1970's attitude, and it was as ignorant back then as it is now. It's worse if you still think it now, as there has been some enlightenment in this area and people's eyes have opened to the matter more.

This is akin to calling Jewish people baby killers. Minority groups that are disliked or feared often have the worst stereo types applied to them, even if there is no grounds for it.

I think it's a pitiful argument to suggest that children are in harms way from molestation if the adoptive parents are homosexual. Especially coming from the Catholic church, it's beyond belief they of all people would suggest this.

the irony is, there actually are two good arguments to suggest that catholics are more likely to molest children than non-catholics.

the first is the knowledge that if you were a catholic priest and you did rape a child, your company would help you cover it up. of course, the fear of punishment is certainly not what stops most people raping children - basic moral concerns as well as simply not being attracted to kids does the job for most of us - but there you have one of the three reasons not to do it shattered.

the second is simply a product of extreme sexual repression. this is well known to have damaging effects on people's mental state. to give a simple example, prison. many people who enter into homosexual acts in prison aren't actually homosexual, they're just desperate. another example, closer to the point, is how common rape is in islamic countries. one reason for this is the fact that their governments do not recognise rape as a crime - indeed some of them recognise rape as a legally sanctioned punishment (i'm seriously not making that up), the other reason is a combination of dangerous sexual repression of men and the teaching that women are worth about halfway between men and cattle.

Quote:However, there is an argument against homosexuals adopting children...

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American College of Pediatricians (ACP)

"Data on the long-term outcomes of children placed in homosexual households is sparse and gives reason for concern. This research has revealed that children reared in homosexual households are more likely to experience sexual confusion, engage in risky sexual experimentation, and later adopt a homosexual identity. This is concerning since adolescents and young adults who adopt the homosexual lifestyle, are at increased risk for mental health problems, including major depression, anxiety disorders, conduct disorder, substance dependence, and especially suicidal ideation and suicide attempts..."

Another reference

There are arguments against this too in all fairness, but there have been numerous studies that support the basic idea of children raised in a homosexual environment are more likely to be homosexual, or at least sexually confused.

Even if you accept this argument as fact, I suppose it depends on your view of whether it actually matters or not?

Lets assume that it is true (I know this is an assumption, but let's assume it is).

If the child has an increased chance of becoming homosexual because of being raised in a homosexual environment, is this a bad thing?

No. The only reason for the supposed negative effects of being homosexual, the problems a homosexual person could suffer that a heterosexual person would not, is the result of the appalling prejudice they suffer, almost entirely thanks to religion.

Secondly, I don't accept the argument in the first place. If somebody is going to say that raising kids in a homosexual environment is going to make them homosexual, how on earth can we explain the existence of homosexuals in heterosexual environments, especially since the societies have always, always persecuted homosexuality?

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