
Subject: Re: Catholic adoption agencies and homosexuality

Posted by [Spoony](#) on Thu, 18 Mar 2010 16:40:43 GMT

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Quote:Spoony wrote on Thu, 18 March 2010 10:25

Is it not much more likely that, instead, children who happen to be homosexual and have heterosexual parents are more likely to grow up in an environment that disapproves of them, and therefore they will feel that they have to keep their sexuality secret?

Perhaps I'm over estimating the influence parents have, or perhaps you're under-estimating their affect.

I am a believer in "Monkey see, monkey do".

well, if you see some people kissing and you feel like trying it, aren't you more likely to want to try it with someone you're actually attracted to...?

Spoony wrote on Thu, 18 March 2010 10:25 You're right, the homosexual parents might have a greater chance of being empathetic and understanding.

i think there's no "might" about it. i'm pretty confident that a far greater proportion of heterosexual adults are overly homophobic than homosexual adults.

Quote:I'm going to throw the unconditional love you have for your child in there just not to write off heterosexual parents ability to support their child

i'd like to think that all parents had unconditional love for their children, but i suspect it isn't always the case.

Quote:but I concede that there are children too afraid to tell their parents through fear of judgement (arguable that in some cases this may be justifiable fear, and in other cases their own fear being un-justified).

and i think it's a much higher number than you probably think.

as for whether it's justified, well, it would be difficult to know in advance for sure how your parents would react if you told them you were gay. i wonder how much thought your brother put into it before telling you and your parents?

Quote:However, in my mind, if they do have a greater chance of being homosexual because of their parents being homosexual too, then surely the need for this understanding would be reduced if they was in a heterosexual environment because there is less chance of them being homosexual?

Hmm, kinda weak argument I suppose

i must admit i think i should be having an easier time refuting it.

Quote:I think we can at least agree that the world would be happier if only the homophobes would grow up and learn some understanding. Then whether or not having homosexual parents means there is more chance of you being homosexual would be a mute, irrelevant point.
of course.

Quote:Homosexuals are just people. My Brother has never hurt anyone. I love him with all my heart, I hate seeing the suffering he endures.

i'll be honest, if you had tried to make the point without giving a touching example of someone close to you, i probably wouldn't have thought the argument was worth much.

that is probably more my fault than anything else.
