

Submission against Homosexual Marriage

I am against homosexuals being able to be married legally. From time immemorial marriage has been between a man and a woman. Without assisted reproductive technology, any "marriage" that involved a homosexual couple would naturally end in extinction of the species. Can the committee who are in favour of this proposal point to any culture through history that has prospered and continued to this day which has promoted homosexuality?

The focus in this debate is about the rights of homosexual couples to equality. The only problem is that when we focus upon rights as, we lose sight of responsibilities. The responsibility to build a stable society, for example. Marriage has through the millennia contributed to stability. And what about the responsibility that parents have in raising children? Clearly children prosper and are emotionally and mentally stable when they have a loving father and mother. The love of a father is different to other in many practical respects, but both are needed to produce a well rounded individual. Western society faces a declining birth rate. This is a serious problem that needs to be addressed. Homosexual marriage will in no way contribute positively to this issue. In fact I believe this would lead to a further decrease as more people are duped into believing that homosexuality is normal. From an anatomical perspective, there is no way that intercourse between people of the same sex can be construed as normal. I trust that the committee will take these views of mine into account and retain the present arrangements that have served us so well.

Yours faithfully,

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