

## A Loving Revolution

by Pastor Mike Scott, First Congregational Church of Fruitport

I am approaching my 70th year, and like most in my age group, we are surprised and angered by many things happening in the United States. We have moved to a country where tolerance and free speech is threatened. Our country is divided and it appears like we have no common ground. For example, Andres Serrano's infamous work, *Piss Christ*, in which a crucifix is shown submerged in the artist's urine. In many ways, this art degrades and makes the cross and Christ utterly repulsive. God is literally cast into the sewer, the lowest of the low. Religion is not rendered untrue. It is made distasteful and disgusting. This analysis is from the book, *The Rise and Triumph of the Modern Self*, by Carl R. Trueman. In the book, the author shows how and why we have come to this place in our world. It is a book I would recommend for anyone who seeks to understand the chaos of our world.

I am seeking to find a way that we as Christians, (regardless of brand), can, in love, speak the truth. To that end, we are calling June 27, 2021 Heterosexual Pride Sunday at the First Congregational Church. We want to remind believers that are tied to the Word of God that marriage is a union of a man and a woman. It is a union which has its origin in and from God. We wish to say to our children and the world that this is God's ordinance. It is natural and biblical. On that day, 10 couples will be renewing their vows and proclaiming God's way is the only way for joy and happiness. In a small way, we are seeking to protest against a culture who seek to make this way of life disgusting. Some may choose to deny the living God and His ways, but we will not. We invite you to join us and our loving revolution.

## Homosexuality in the Bible

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Statement: the Bible states such acts are not only inherently sinful, but also an abomination before the Lord.

1. Homosexuality is an act of unbelief.

"For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness." Romans 1:18

"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." Rom. 1:26

"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 recompense of their error which was meet." Rom. 1:27

2. Gen. 2:24-25 God's order for family.

3. 1 Cor. 6:9-11 "Do you not know that the wicked will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor male prostitutes, nor homosexual offenders, nor thieves, nor greedy, nor drunkards, nor slanderers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God. And this is what some of you were. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ by the Spirit of our God."

4. Leviticus 20:13 "If a man lies with a man as one lies with a woman, both of them have done what is detestable. They must be put to death, their blood will be on their own heads." Leviticus 18:22

Summary thoughts:

The Bible is clear that this act is not natural. God calls it detestable and an abomination. Paul in 1 Cor. 6 lists it with a number of other acts, which if continued, will keep that person from entering the Kingdom of God. In v.11 he suggests that all of us were going away from the kingdom, but by God's grace we have been cleansed. This means when we are born again, God separates us from our sins and gives us power to live in such way that we are not enslaved to sin. To be clear, we are not saved by what we do but by God's grace. Our actions are a reflection of who we are, people dead in trespasses and sins. To enter the kingdom, we must repent and believe the gospel. As citizens of the Kingdom, we adhere to the standards of the King. Those standards come to us from His Word, the Bible.

To the homosexual, as to all others, we must speak in love, never in hatred. But the first task of love is to tell the truth. Those who genuinely love homosexuals are not those who would revolutionize morality to meet their wishes, but those who will tell them the truth and point them to the One who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

## MDHHS Orders Mandating Facial Coverings for Children Lacks Scientific Support

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MDHHS (Michigan Health & Human Services) has, for over six months, mandated facial coverings for children. To verify that these mandates are scientifically supported, Freedom of Information Act Requests were issued to MDHHS in December 2020 requesting (1) all published studies; (2) showing that mask-wearing was safe; (3) and effective; (4) in children aged two to twelve; and (5) that MDHHS relied upon when mandating that children cover their airway. On December 28, 2020, MDHHS provided its response, assuring that the provided studies included all studies responsive to the Requests. In addition, state law requires that MDHHS provide all documents (or studies) responsive to the Requests. Even being held to these standards, MDHHS produced a mere two references that considered the effectiveness of facial coverings, when worn by children, to limit the spread of COVID-19. One of these two documents was an article that included only twelve children aged 11-17 years, was conducted in a laboratory setting, utilized medical masks, and none of the children had coronavirus. The other was a retrospective cohort study of 124 families engaged in other protective measures aside from mask-wearing, such as disinfection and social distancing. These two references represent the total sum of scientific evidence MDHHS relied upon to mandate facial coverings for children. Clearly, MDHHS' facial covering mandate for children lacks adequate scientific support and abuses MDHHS emergency powers.

More disturbing, MDHHS was required to produce all the safety studies it relied upon to mandate facial coverings for children, and it failed to provide any. MDHHS' failure to produce a single safety study is proof that it issued the orders without concern for child well-being. In the total absence of demonstrated safety, MDHHS has mandated for months that children cover their airway for hours a day. Furthermore, its orders ignore the potential and known detrimental effects of mask-wearing for this population. For example, many professionals have voiced concern regarding the damaging effects of covering a child's airway (i.e., that mask-wearing increases risk of infection and likelihood of transmission; hinders communication; limits oxygen exchange; causes headaches, rashes, acne, skin breakdown, impaired cognition, mucosa barrier breakdown; and physiological harm).

No parent desires their children to be scientific guinea pigs. Parents have sacrificed their children's well-being for the greater good, believing that public health officials were issuing evidenced-based mandates. Parents across Michigan have, regrettably, witnessed the detrimental effects masks have had on children. Now, MDHHS has revealed that it targeted children with unscientific, unsafe, ineffective, and illegal COVID-19 orders. State health officials do not have the unilateral authority to dictate unscientific and harmful universal prophylactic medical interventions for children. Mask-wearing in children clearly has the potential to cause harm; thus, mask mandates should be based upon clear and scientific evidence demonstrating that the benefit of masking-wearing in children outweighs the harm. MDHHS has admitted that this science does not exist.

Visit [mihealthchoice.org](https://mihealthchoice.org) (follow the iMask Requirement link) to view the FOIA Requests, MDHHS' response, a complete list of the references supplied by MDHHS, and links to published research regarding this issue.

## Voter ID in Mexico

submitted by Karen Bergeman, Sept. 28, 2013

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According to leading Democrats, voter ID laws are racist. All those Mexicans coming to the United States must be fleeing racism in their home country.

To vote in Mexico every eligible Mexican citizen has to have a tamper-proof photo-ID card with a thumbprint and an embossed hologram.

All citizens are required to personally enroll and show proof of birth or citizenship.

Applicants are required to personally return to collect their voting credential.

So how is it that we can't upgrade to Mexican standards without being called racist? Maybe it's because one political party is dependent on voter fraud.

## America Paying for Disobeying God

Our founding fathers believed God would also bless America and provide protection and security, so long as America, believed and obeyed God.

Many of us still believe that God has been faithful in keeping His promise.

Unfortunately, America has failed terribly in keeping our end of the bargain, at least in the last several decades!

Like ancient Israel, America has forgotten to obey God's instructions, such as to teach each new generation all about Him and what He expects of us.

Each generation is to "tell its children of God's "mighty acts" and "proclaim His power." "One generation shall praise thy works to another."

Now instead of telling our children about the Mighty Creator of Heaven and Earth, and telling them God formed them in their Mother's womb and gave them life, they teach them Man's garbage, such as Evolution.

They should be telling them about how the Founding fathers went through great length to think out and write the "Constitution," and how they insisted on a "Bill of Rights", which respected individual rights, and restricted the new federal government, from infringing upon those rights.

The delegates at the Constitution convention debated the proposed constitutions for 17 weeks. Obviously, they realized the great importance of such a document.

But many in America today do not seem to appreciate this precious document and want to destroy it and everything it stands for.

America's disobedience of God and His Laws may very well be the reason of the craziness which is now going on in America today. America can not even follow God's orders to love one another and "not to kill." Two or three thousand unborn babies are killed every day and half the population of America think its alright.

This could be a warning from God to return to Him, or, it could be, the beginning of His PUNISHMENT and destruction of our beloved country.

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## Pro-abortion Campaign

from *Right to Life of Michigan*

This latest pro-abortion campaign shouldn't surprise anyone. It is simply a new twist to an old tactic. It is yet another attempt to "normalize" the unspeakable crime of abortion. Here are just a few other idiotic examples:

- Pro-aborts suggesting that supporters use forceps as decorations on their Christmas tree.
- Their Valentine's Day promo asks, "Will you be my birth control?"
- With a straight face, they promote Mother's Day fundraising events.
- They advertise abortion clinics as "spas."
- They host "condom art contests."
- The insanity goes on and on.

Here's the bottom line...the abortion industry will try virtually anything to distract from the heart-wrenching reality of abortion. Their goal is to remove all stigma associated with their grisly, money-grubbing industry.



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