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LONDON: Hundreds Protest 'Sex and the City Conference'

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I am huddled inside the doorway of Emmanuel Center, a church near Westminster Abbey, as hundreds of gay protesters yell and shout obscenities at a conference where speakers are offering healing for the homosexual through reparative therapy. Anglican Mainstream sponsors the event.

Chanting "2,4,6,8 there is no cure only hate," protesters, including heavily made up Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, angry gay activists wave placards reading "only prejudice needs a cure", "there is no cure for love", "positive alternative to bigotry", "even Jesus loves gays" and "inside lies obfuscation and despair".

Organizers shout and toot horns, but fail to stop speakers from making presentations that say homosexuality is a choice and that reparative therapy, for those who seek it, could change their same sex attractions and, in many cases, lead to heterosexual marriage.

More later...

Psychiatrist, Therapist and Rabbi Say Gays Can Change: "It's all about choice," says Dr. Joe Nicolosi

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A high police presence and over 100 gay activists failed to prevent participants at a two-day Sex & the City Conference from an opportunity to hear reparative therapist Dr Joseph Nicolosi; psychiatrist, author Dr. Jeffrey Satinover; and JONAH President Arthur Goldberg. The three told their audience that change is not only possible for homosexuals with same-sex attraction, but that thousands of men and women have thrown off homosexual behavior with many marrying and now living normal lives.



"It's all about choice, choice, choice," said Nicolosi. "Individuals have the right to explore their heterosexual potential. It is about freedom of choice. It is about diversity, autonomy, self-determination. The language gays are using, we are using. We say 'who are you to judge, let me decide for my life. I don't want gays telling me I can't change.' All the cliches used by gay activists, we are using for ex-gays."

Nicolosi argues that, at its root, homosexuality is not a sexual problem - it is a gender-identity

problem. Normal stages of emotional development have been interrupted, and this can lead to same sex bonding in order to attain affirmation. These relationships tend to implode, leaving the homosexual hurt and confused. Furthermore, Nicolosi claims that there is no such thing as a homosexual, but only heterosexuals that have a homosexual problem. "This may sound like splitting hairs, but it actually opens the door for the dissatisfied homosexual oriented person to change, because such people can begin viewing themselves as fundamentally heterosexual. We have had a great deal of success with this therapeutic approach."

The California therapist ripped gay organizations for their dishonesty in promoting a lifestyle that is ultimately pathological, narcissistic, self-absorbed and offers no hope for people who want to change.

"There is nothing more threatening to the influence of the gay culture and the most threatening influence against the gay culture than the testimony of ex gay persons. The person who says I was once homosexual but I am not one any more threatens to shut down gay activists. Gays believe there are homosexuals and heterosexuals, gays and straights and actually believe God has created two kinds of persons is the great lie. When a person transitions it challenges the line that people are born gay."

"If you believe you are born gay, you are forced to be tolerant. But if you bring in choices, it changes everything."

Nicolosi said it is not about blame or making people feel guilty, but dealing with poor family relationships. "Through therapy people not only change (as a result of therapy) but actually we have seen people change out of homosexuality on their own. Many homosexual people have transitioned out of homosexuality to heterosexuality through psychotherapeutic help. People say 'I don't want to live a gay lifestyle it is not satisfying to me and I believe there is more. I want to develop my heterosexual potential'. These are people who then say can you help me."

Nicolosi said there is no gay gene. It is a myth. "They (the scientists) have never found a gay gene in 35 years. There is much more evidence that it is environmentally caused and our clients are looking at their childhood experiences. That is their right to do. Their dream and desire is to have a conventional marital life, that is there goal and we want to support those people."

Nicolosi said he has been helping people to "increase their heterosexual potential" for 25 years, and puts his success rate among men at about two out of three. "75% of our clients are completely cured, the 25% who are not usually have other factors that are not brought into the counseling situation."

"It is not the absent father, but the non-responsiveness of the father. It is when the father shuts down and rejects the boy's masculine striving and he shames the boy in his strivings to become a man. That boy will find some male to connect with. It is the negative experience of the father that destroys him and pushes him towards men who offer him homosexual sex as a way out."

Nicolosi said that most hostility comes from gay activists who think change is harmful, but "we have a great deal of evidence showing that these individuals are not harmed and that the therapy does work."

"One third of boys who think they are homosexual were abused by older boys, a relative or family member. It is same sex abuse. It is no surprise that gay activists are lobbying for the lowering of the age of consent." Nicolosi said that in its early stages, it is not about sex but about desire. Homosexuality is compensatory; heterosexuality is about complementarity. If fathers don't hug their sons, some other man will."

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"Homosexual behavior is an attempt to repair heterosexuality, so reparative therapy is repairing the breach made in heterosexual relationships. We are not wired to be homosexual. Our homosexuality is my way to get my emotional identification needs met and to get them in inauthentic ways. A totally secure man won't have sex with you. Nicolosi said the churches are beginning to understand this. The church can help by offering mentoring programs for men."

He made the following observations:

- * 50% of teenagers will change without therapy.
- * Gay couples don't last. A study of 165 of the best gay relationships, done by objective scientists, has found that maintaining monogamy does not last for more than five years. It will ruin the relationship. They accept going out on each other. Why? It is about the search for maleness. It is a narcissistic fantasy.

Nicolosi outlined four Gay Myths:

- * 10% of the population is homosexual. The figure is 1.5% - 2%.
- * You're born gay. Not true. No one is born gay.
- * Once gay, always gay. A lie. People can change. "My therapy practice with seven male therapists and a woman therapist is living evidence that people can change.
- * Homosexuality is normal in every way. Believing 1+2+3+4 = Total acceptance.
- * Informed disapproval does not mean "homophobia". Homophobia is an irrational fear of homosexuals. If you have a fear, then you need help. Most people do not fear homosexuals.

* Gay vs. Homosexual. There is no such thing as a homosexual. Homosexuality is a gender identity disorder. Tolerance is not the same thing as approval. We should not approve of a behavior God does not approve.

The therapist said the most common example of persons calling themselves homosexual is what he called the Classic Triadic Relationship. The mother is over emotionally involved, dominant, strong personality. The father is quiet, withdrawn, non-expressive and/or hostile. The son is temperamentally shy, timid, introverted, artistic, imaginative. The result is poor communication between mother and father. The mother has a special relationship with the son while the father's relationship with the son is guarded, ill-at-ease, and antagonistic. "I advise fathers, 'if you don't hug your sons, some other man will.'"

Nicolosi is convinced that the world's great religious traditions are right: humanity was designed for gender-complementary coupling. The mental-health associations must respect this viewpoint; to do otherwise is a gross violation of worldview diversity as well as the client's right to freedom and self-determination.

Nicolosi said his organization - the National Association of Research and Therapy of Homosexuality (NARTH) is petitioning the American Psychiatric Association to look at the scientific data. The two-day conference being held in central London is organized by Anglican Mainstream. While the Church of England does not promote such therapies, Anglican Mainstream believes such an approach needs to become better known so that the Church can reach out to men and women caught in a variety of sexual addictions.

You can see a BBC-TV interview with Dr. Joe Nicolosi here:
<http://www.ccfon.org/mediacentre.php?avid=197&avap=1>

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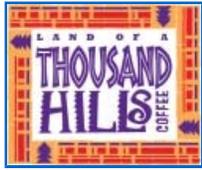
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Re: LONDON: Hundreds Protest 'Sex and the City Confe...

Quote :

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Agreed fully! I have commented on this before : it is stretching the English language to make homophobia equal dislike of homosexuals.

Unfortunately this distorted use of the word has become very common, even on this website.

A very interesting article, though. Although the report on this conference should be compulsory study for all Anglican clergy (and those of other denominations too) I doubt whether it will make much difference to those who have already embraced the GBLT agenda - especially those in TEC.

[patulous](#)

Posted: 2009/4/25 14:21 Updated: 2009/4/25 14:22

Re: LONDON: Hundreds Protest 'Sex and the City Confe...

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One poster on VOL told us that he was an active homosexual earlier in his life and was now has recovered and serving Christ Jesus. God bless those that find Jesus Christ, and go on to become successful in having a normal hetersexual family.

Let us say a prayer for Dr. Nicolosi and his ministry.

[Causidicus](#)

Posted: 2009/4/25 15:34 Updated: 2009/4/25 15:34

Re: LONDON: Hundreds Protest 'Sex and the City Confe...

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Undoubtedly the argument of the protestors sounded to the reporter huddled in the doorway of the church something like:

"Get out of our way,!" "This fellow came here as a alien, and now he wants to play the judge! We'll treat you worse than them!" (For more information on the history of Gay passivity in the face of heterosexual normalcy, check out Genesis 19, verses 1-29

Can't you just feel the truth of sodomite tolerance of those who are different echoing down through the centuries? I know I can!



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Posted: 2009/4/25 16:01 Updated: 2009/4/25 19:34

Re: LONDON: Hundreds Protest 'Sex and the City Confe...

It's interesting that the word "hate" is being used so often and so effectively about people who want to hold up opposite-sex marriage as the norm worthy of support. There has been no greater reduction of human love in peacetime than in the past few decades when countless children have been growing up without fathers, thanks largely to cultural tolerance for the varieties of sex outside of normal marriage, including homosexuality. It's the fault of society in general for failing to give wholehearted support for father-and-mother families. Should this involve disapproval of the alternatives? Yes, Harsh as that sounds. It should all be permitted in a free society, but if there is no tacit social and explicit religious disapproval of all the alternatives, they will not appear to be any different from the norm. By withholding approval from these alternatives, we channel our approval into mother-and-father families, which maximizes the overall level of love experienced by the greatest number of people in our society. Good report, David.

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Posted: 2009/4/25 18:31 Updated: 2009/4/25 18:31

Re: LONDON: Hundreds Protest 'Sex and the City Confe...

We should never forget the hatred shown by the homosexual activists when Carrie Prejean, Miss California, answered a question on homosexual marriage at the Miss USA Pageant. She was the victim of an attack that damaged her civil rights under the law, slander, and possible fraud within the Miss USA pageant itself. The most ignorant aspect of the entire thing was that an open and active homosexual was a judge for this female beauty pageant.

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[Symon](#)

Posted: 2009/4/26 19:33 Updated: 2009/4/26 19:33

Re: LONDON: Hundreds Protest 'Sex and the City Confe...

I am sorry to read your description of the protest. You say that homosexuality is a choice and yet you refer to "gay protesters" as if everyone at the protest was gay. While many of them clearly were, you have no basis for saying that they *all* were.

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I did not hear anyone shout obscenities, but I admit that I was not present for the whole thing. If there were obscenities shouted at any point, then I am sorry to hear it and I'm sure that many of the protesters would be too. You fail to point out that many of the protesters were Christians and that banners included "Gay and Christian", "Love is the fulfilling of the Law" and "God desires truth in our inward being - Psalm 51".

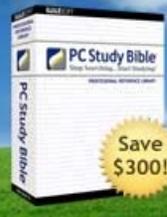
You may disagree with the people who protested, but that is no reason to misrepresent them.

[otispage2](#)

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Respectfully. Are you saying, Symon, that not all of the Gay protesters were Gay? If so, how do you know?

[Symon](#) Posted: 2009/4/27 14:08 Updated: 2009/4/27 14:08

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Re: LONDON: Hundreds Protest 'Sex and the City Confe...
Thanks for your question, Otispage2. I'm sorry if I wasn't very clear.

Clearly, the protesters were people who objected to the conference. Many, perhaps most of them, are therefore likely to be gay. However, it is also quite likely that the protest included heterosexual or bisexual people who shared their views. While I don't *know* this, nor do I know that they were all gay. It seemed odd that someone could write "hundreds of gay protesters" about people without knowing that they were *all* gay.