

Why Homosexuality Is Condemned in Most Countries

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We are experiencing a changing world at all times, and human beings are willing to accept things that are thought of as shameful, unfaithful or even sinful many years ago. For instance, a man wearing a pink shirt would have been considered weird fifty years ago, and divorced women would have been considered unfaithful. Despite the fact that people nowadays have become more open-minded, several issues are still controversial and arouse serious debate. Take homosexuals for example. They are still a minority group and are not accepted by most people, especially the older generation, let alone their marriage. Those who oppose homosexuals believe that they offend religious tenets or because they cannot have offspring. In my opinion, they'd better take this issue into deep consideration once more.

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To begin with, plenty of people already associate homosexual with AIDS, home party or drugs. I think those problems do not belong to homosexuals only, but everyone in the world. Specific statistics can be found easily in the library or on the Internet that the highest proportion of people who have AIDS is in Africa, and the cause is not because of homosexuality, but as a result of the dirty environment, malnutrition, and low-level medical technology. In many people's minds, homosexuals are bad people. Gay people are trying very hard to change this stereotype. Therefore, it's common to see them pursue their rights by holding parades, making films or asking for proper laws for them. Most significantly, they are doing all this with a positive attitude and in an orderly way. They are not as frightened to show their identity as before.

Another common argument is that almost all of the religions all over the world do not accept homosexuals. Take Catholicism for example; Pope Benedict XVI issued

a new rule barring gay priests. The reason is that homosexual priests' sexual orientation is now regarded as a threat to "priestly life." Doesn't that sound ridiculous in this modern society? Lots of religious tenets are talking about generosity, kindness or willingness to give without expecting to receive. Why do they strongly disapprove of homosexuality? According to the beliefs, they should treat everything with equality.

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Since everything is changing and improving with the modern society, religions doesn't need to be the exception. Just follow the flow of the world. (What's even more ridiculous is that priests are supposed to be celibate, so their sexual orientation shouldn't even matter.)

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Finally, the people who disapprove of homosexuals believe that they cannot have offspring. As far I'm concerned, this reason is not strong enough to oppose

homosexuals. If it is true, then who do those who get married but decide not to have kids because of their financial or some other problems are not blamed by society? As we can see nowadays, we are facing a global problem: overpopulation. Some countries, such as China, are even encouraging people to have less than two children in one family. What's more, according to data by an American research center, the percentage of gay people is no more than 5 in the whole world. It's obvious that decreasing the population is not their responsibility.

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Generally, although there is still a world of difference between homosexuals and heterosexuals, the stereotype towards gay people is indeed changing. Homosexuals are just like normal people who need our attention, caring, and listening to them. I firmly believe that with in a few more years, homosexual people can get along in this society well.

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