

EXCHANGING THE TRUTH

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"Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among themselves, who exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen." {Romans 1:24,25}

Satan knows no limits to the havoc he will try and bring upon mankind. Living in this "crooked and perverse" world, men have taken the "bait" Satan has offered them. What is this bait, and how does it manifest itself? One does not have to look long to see how Satan is changing men's thinking. Murder is no longer murder. Today we call it "**pro choice**", "**euthanasia**" and "**aiding others to take their life**." {Dr. Death} God calls it **MURDER**, and murderers have no hope of eternal life, "Whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him." {1 John 3:15}; "Envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God." {Galatians 5:21}

The number of abortions in our country is an abomination. "**The present rate is 4,383 per day, seven days a week, 365 days a year for a total of 1,600,000 per year.**" {GOT, Andy Alexander} Where is our shame?! Choice? Who speaks for the one in the womb? A fancy name doesn't change the truth concerning how God looks upon such acts.

Then we have those promoting an "**alternate lifestyle**." Many tell us we are narrow minded and puritan in our thinking. "**God loves all people, even homosexuals.**" A bigger lie has never been told! True, God loves all men and sent His Son to die upon the cross for them. John 3:16 Yet, have we forgotten why Jesus had to die? **SIN!** God hates sin, and homosexuality is a sin! Yes, God loves the sinner but He will have no fellowship with any sin – including this one!

Former President Clinton tried to lift the ban of homosexuals in the military, and while in that office he had a conference in the oval office with the leaders of this movement. He also had homosexuals in his cabinet. Mr. Clinton claims to be a Southern Baptist, believe in God, and the Bible. Who can believe it! In a newspaper article, Mr. Clinton was seen leaving a religious service with a Bible in his hand. My question is simple, why did he have it? If he cared to read it and correctly apply it's truths, surely his course would change for the better! Read Romans 1:26-32 and 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 Men and women who engage in such actions **CANNOT INHERIT THE KINGDOM OF GOD!!**

What President Clinton was unable to do President Barack Obama has achieved. Homosexuality is now permissible in our armed forces. President Obama also wants to see "same sex marriages" made a constitutional amendment. He has spoken very openly that all "marriages" should be given equal statue no matter what gender they may be. Yes, the world's view is changing rapidly, or should I say getting more ungodly, but none of this changes one iota God's viewpoint and the passages we read.

All this is doing exactly what Paul wrote in his letter to those in Rome. "**Exchanging truth for a lie!**" God has always given mankind the freedom of choice. Unfortunately for us, our leaders are making some ungodly choices. TV is aiding them by making it more acceptable to live such lifestyles by glorifying those who choose to live in such relationships. Proof? Look no further than Rosie O'Donnell and Ellen DeGeneres. Sin is sin, and all the new definitions can't change God's truth.

Let us be diligent to spread God's views on these vital issues. Christians need to love the souls of men enough to sound the warning. Don't allow the world to picture us as unloving and hating those in these ungodly lifestyles. We love them and speaking out demonstrates we don't want them to be eternally lost! May God help us to have the courage to do so before it is too late! ***