

When Did God Change His Position on That?

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In the July 13, 2002 Houston Chronicle (pg 4E), an article appeared that was entitled, *Blessings for Gay, Unwed Couples*. It told of the Kansas diocese of the Episcopal Church allowing clerical blessings for homosexual and unwed heterosexual couples. Clerical blessings are intended to convey the approval of the church, and God. Now I am trying to figure out when God changed His position on these two subjects. It's not like the Bible isn't clear on these matters! God's position on these matters is very understandable.

Take, for example, the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah. Sodom was a city overwhelmed with the sin of homosexuality (Gen 19:4-7). Lot could not even protect his guests by trying to appease the lusts of the men of the city with natural desires (v8). What was God's position on such wickedness? Did He speak with an unclear voice when He destroyed the cities of the plain? (19:24) In Paul's condemnation of the sins of the Gentiles, along with homosexuality (Rom 1:26f) he mentions fornication (sexual immorality - 1:29). Those who practice such things are worthy of death (1:32). Fornication is a general term for all forms of sexually immoral conduct. It includes heterosexual activity out of wedlock. Is this passage unclear? "Worthy of death"... That pretty well pins down how God feels about it. The author of Hebrews wrote: "Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge." (Heb 13:4)

The Kansas diocese of the Episcopal Church is not thinking as God does. They obviously do not have His will in mind. Is this disturbing? Sure it is. A lot of people will just go along to get along. But who are they getting along with?... Men or God?...