

How Same-Sex Marriage Points To End Of The World

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Note from Pastor Kevin Lea follows this article.

What do May 17, 2004, and May 15, 2008, have in common? - One judge and a redefinition of marriage against the will of the people.

Both the Massachusetts Superior Court and the California Supreme Court by a *one-judge margin* redefined what marriage has always been in every culture and every religion for more than 5,000 years of recorded history.

Why does this matter?

As I wrote about in my book, "The Criminalization of Christianity," Jeffrey Satinover, who holds an M.D. from Princeton and doctorates from Yale, MIT and Harvard, was on my radio program one day and I asked him about where we are in history. He explained that according to the "Babylonian Talmud" – the book of rabbis' interpretation of the scriptures 1,000 years before Christ, there was only one time in history that reflects where we are right now. There was only one time in history, according to these writings, where men were given in marriage to men, and women given in marriage to women.

Want to venture a guess as to when? No, it wasn't in Sodom and Gomorrah, although that was my guess. Homosexuality was rampant there, of course, but according to the Talmud, not homosexual "marriage." What about ancient Greece? Rome? No. Babylon? No again. The one time in history when homosexual "marriage" was practiced was ... during the days of Noah. And according to Satinover, that's what the "Babylonian Talmud" attributes as the final straw that led to the Flood.

On my Faith2Action radio program on Thursday, Rabbi Aryeh Spero verified this to be true.

Rabbi Spero spoke of God's compassion before the Flood, in hopes people would repent and turn back to His ways. He showed patience for hundreds of years.

But, he said, the Talmud's writings reveal that "before the Flood people started to write marriage contracts between men, in other words, homosexual 'marriage,' which is more than homosexual activity – it's giving an official state stamp of approval, a sanctification ... of homosexual partnership."

In fact, he said, "the writings indicated that it wasn't even so much the 'straw

that broke the camel's back,' but that the sin in and of itself is so contrary to why God created the world, so contrary to the order of God's nature, that God said then and there 'I have to start all over ... to annihilate the world and start from the beginning. ...'"

Rabbi Spero went on to say, "Even in ancient Greece they did not write marriage contracts between men. There was homosexuality, and it was wrong, but there was not an official 'blessed' policy. ... Marriage is 'sanctification' (not simply a partnership)." He said to confer the title of sanctification and holiness upon this behavior is "probably one of the greatest sins of all that one does against God's plan for this world."

The one time it happened was: "During the days of Noah." When I first heard this, my mind immediately went to a verse I've heard many times but never with such relevance. The verse is found in Matthew 24:37. It reads:

As it was in the days of Noah, so *it will be* at the coming of the Son of Man.
– Mathew 24:37 (NIV)

I used to read this verse and think: It was bad at lots of points in history; it doesn't necessarily mean *now*, but if these Jewish writings are true, we are uniquely like the "days of Noah" right now – and *only* right now.

But it can't be yet, you say. You have a lot going on in your life? You're getting married? Here's how the New Living Translation describes that very sentiment in Luke:

When the Son of Man returns, the world will be like the people were in Noah's day. In those days before the Flood, the people enjoyed banquets and parties and weddings right up to the time Noah entered his boat, and the flood came to destroy them all. – Luke 17:26-27

Happily going about as if everything was fine was what *they* did, too.

You don't like this possibility? Don't even believe in the Flood? Doesn't matter. Some things are true whether you believe them or not. How can you be sure? There's a way. Did you know that about one-fourth of the Bible is prophecy? A quarter of the Bible is a lot – it's a big book. And did you know God's standard? Perfection. That means that if even one of those prophecies is wrong, you can discount the whole thing. Kind of like a prophet who makes a false prediction – that made him a false prophet and a candidate for stoning. Did you know that 4,000 prophecies in that Bible have already come true down to the last detail? That leaves about 1,000 left to be fulfilled – those are the ones regarding the last days before the return of Christ, which are being checked off the list right now.

If 4,000 out of 5,000 prophecies have already occurred exactly as the Bible predicted they would, you *might* want to pay attention to the rest.

The good news is that 1.1 million people across California have signed a

petition to bring marriage to a vote of the people through a state constitutional amendment (just like 27 other states have done). And guess what? An amendment to a state constitution trumps even the most out-of-control state judiciary. We'll likely know if these signatures are validated before this tyrannical ruling goes into effect, and I predict they will be since they gathered 400,000 more signatures more than they needed to qualify. Besides, they already voted – eight years ago where more than 61 percent of Californians declared marriage as the union of a man and a woman. Now they just need to turn that same language into a constitutional amendment.

I don't live in California, so why am I sounding the alarm? Here's why:

But if the watchman sees the sword coming and does not blow the trumpet, and the people are not warned, and the sword comes and takes any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at the watchman's hand. – Ezekiel 33:6

I'm praying and working to protect marriage in California (and the rest of the country) not only because I care about marriage, but because I care about civilization. And, if we obey God, he just may spare us from the judgment we deserve.

Note from Pastor Kevin Lea: We have posted many articles over the years about the growing influence of the homosexual agenda. In many cases I have emphasized that if we don't repent of this foolishness, then we can expect the judgment of God to fall upon us just as God warned through the prophets (Deuteronomy 28, Leviticus 26, Romans 1).

Is our nation under increasing judgment? Very few would argue that things in America (financial stability, status of America in the world, military success, disasters, weather, crop production, fish and wildlife populations, etc.) are no worse than in decades past. The facts are such that nearly everyone senses that things are getting worse and worse in these areas.

Many will say that these declines in our nation's strength have nothing to do with the sins (as defined by God) of our people, but rather are a result of the foolishness of our leaders or are just a coincidence as related to disasters. However, the scriptures teach that God uses the foolishness of leaders to bring about judgment and it is no coincidence that these increasing disasters are coming upon us just as the scriptures predict will happen to a people that turns away from God.

I agree with the author of this article that nothing is more “in your face” to God than flaunting the homosexual lifestyle to the point of sanctioning it with marriage. If the historians are correct in stating that only in the days of Noah did the people stoop so low as to bless the filthy lifestyle of homosexuality with the blessings of marriage,

then we are certainly living “as in the days of Noah” that Jesus spoke of concerning the end.

God gave Noah one hundred and twenty years to build the Ark before the fountains of the great deep erupted to bring the global judgment by a flood. No one knows how long the Lord Jesus will be merciful to this corrupted earth before He brings the promised judgment of fire, but I rejoice that He has first made a way to escape. That way is by faith alone, through grace alone, in Jesus alone.

All those who repent and turn away from their own wicked ways, confess to God that they are sinners deserving of judgment, and then bow the knee to Jesus in humility receiving His offer of ever-lasting life WILL BE SAVED from the wrath that is coming – which ultimately results in everlasting separation from God in the Lake of Fire.

Have you bowed the knee to Jesus? I hope so, because it appears there is little time left to do so.

2 Pet 3: 3 --- knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, 4 and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation." 5 For this they willfully forget: that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of water and in the water, 6 by which the world that then existed perished, being flooded with water. 7 But the heavens and the earth which are now preserved by the same word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. 8 But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. 9 The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. (NKJ)