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Dear Friend,

We have, like so many others, endured the slings and arrows of those who have pitched their tents against the very God we serve. We have been characterized as “bigots,” “hatemongers,” and names that cannot in good conscience be reprinted in these pages, all because we believe that marriage is — and should continue to be — the union of one man and one woman for life.

One of the questions I often hear is, “How can my gay ‘marriage’ endanger your marriage?” Well, that depends on whether or not you view marriage as a sacred union. Many people want to compromise and grant homosexuals pseudo-marriages where they have all the rights and responsibilities of marriage, but not the name — civil unions, for example. Sadly, some have fallen for this ruse, choosing to defend the name, but not the substance, of marriage.

So what is marriage? Is it greater than one man and one woman choosing to spend the rest of their lives loving and caring for one another? Or is it something more?

Turning the pages of my Bible, I find countless references to marriage — as a symbol. The union of one man and one woman shows us, ideally, the union of God and man — He the bridegroom and we the bride. Same-sex “marriage” threatens traditional marriages by symbolically removing God from the union.

Man needs God. That’s the point. One man and one woman together have the ability to produce life. Two men together and two women together do not. Likewise, one man, surrendered to God produces life eternal in that man. Cut God out of the equation and eternal death is the result.

As you may have guessed, we’ve focused our thoughts on marriage in this edition. I hope the resulting articles are a blessing and a help to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Beverly LaHaye". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Beverly LaHaye
Founder and Chairman