Address To Pulaski County Fiscal Court On Tuesday, September 24, 2019

By Willie Ramsey

I thank Judge Kelley and all the magistrates for this opportunity to publicly explain why as a Christian I am opposed to the LGBTQ+ festival scheduled to be held on the Justice Center plaza October 5th.

While doing this I want to clarify three matters which I think will be helpful to Christians and also help the Fiscal Court in the eyes of Christians concerning its issuing the festival permit to these people:

(1) Who the LGBTQ+ people scheduled to hold the October 5th festival are, including what their initials refer to and mean. (2) Why Judge Kelley and this Fiscal Court are not at fault for issuing them a permit to hold their festival on county property. (3) And the reasons Christians are opposing these people and their festival.

But first, I believe if you and I were given a questionnaire asking if we believe in God that we would all answer "yes". And along with that answer I believe we would all answer "yes" that we also believe the Bible is His Word and spiritual Law over us. In fact, your commending and thanking the Denham Street Baptist church during your last Fiscal Court meeting for donating the "In God We Trust" plaque hanging now on the wall behind the Judge is indicative that you would. But those beautiful praiseworthy words would obviously be meaningless if we do not live by what they say and mean, for Jesus said in John 14:15 "If ye love [and thus trust] Me keep My commandments".

This opportunity to be here and freely speak is an important and wonderful example of our precious First Amendment freedom of speech and religious freedom at work. And I thank you much, for atheists are trying to take it away from Christians, who do believe in God and teach His Bible morals.

Since the matters mentioned in #1 are answered in #3 I will need to mention them together on this paper and in my address.

- (1) Who the LGBTQ+ people scheduled to hold the October 5th festival are,
- (3) And the reasons Christians are opposing them and their festival.

According to the local paper the people who have scheduled to use the Justice Center plaza on October 5th refer to themselves by the initials LGBTQ+. These letters by which they refer to themselves, refer to very specific words which refer to very specific sexual behaviors, all of which are condemned by God in the Bible. And remember, since these letters and words are what they refer to themselves by, it is proper for us to do the same when referring to them. Here are the words their initials stand for, and what they mean, along with God's responses in

the Bible, which are (3) The reasons Christians are opposing them and their festival:

Lesbian, meaning a woman homosexual.

Gay, meaning both men and women homosexuals. Both are specifically referred to and condemned by God in Romans 1:26-27. God gave the New Testament in the Greek language since it was the international language spoken following the conquests of Alexander The Great. The Greek word for homosexual, *arsenokoites*, is used twice in the New Testament, and in both places homosexuality is condemned by God:

In 1 Cor. 6:9 where in the KJV it is translated "abusers of themselves with mankind" and in 1 Tim. 1:10 where it is translated "them that defile themselves with mankind". It was translated this way because the English word "homosexual" did not even exist in the English language until the 1800s, over 200 years after the KJV was translated. And newer versions translate it "homosexuals" or "sodomites".

Bisexual, meaning those who are sexually attracted to and either would engage in or do engage in sex with either or both men and women. This is condemned by virtue of the fact that God only authorizes sex between a Scripturally married (Matt. 19:9) husband and wife (1 Cor. 7:1-5).

Transgender, meaning men who think they are a woman, and women who think they are a man. And some think they are no gender at all. Jesus contradicted and condemned this delusion and nonsense they want us to accept in Matthew 19:4-5 where He said: "Have ye not read, that He which made them at the beginning made them male and female, And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?" This term includes their "drag (dressed as girl) queens" they intend to bring in here to their festival from out of town, which God condemns by the word "effeminate" in 1 Corinthians 6:9.

Queer, meaning both men and women homosexuals. And a good description too. For queer means abnormal, not the norm. As we have already shown, homosexual sex is certainly not God's morally approved norm, which proves that not all sexual lifestyles are of equal moral value and equal moral rightness with God.

But even atheists have to admit homosexuality is abnormal, and that their sexual lifestyle is not of equal value to heterosexual sex between a husband and wife. For theoretically if you could somehow literally get all people to become homosexual and practice homosexual sex, all people would literally die off in one generation. Thus homosexual sex should be viewed and regarded as abnormal no matter who you are, whether viewing it as a Christian following the Bible or as an atheist viewing it secularly.

l+, means they do not stop there, for LGBTQ+ people on the internet say: "The PLUS (+) in our name ensures that we will always be inclusive of all [sexual] identities to make our community feel welcomed and that nobody is left out." So what if under this plus sign they later add the following to their **LGBTQ**+ initials?:

B for Bestiality, sexual intercourse between a person and an animal. And **P for Pederasty**, sexual intercourse between a man and a boy. As disgusting as all this sounds and is, they could not consistently deny adding these to their "inclusive of all" list if these people showed up and wanted to be included.

Because God loves the souls of these people and all people, Christians do too. God's love toward them and all of us who have sinned is stated in John 3:16, which says "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

This means God sent Christ to die on the cross in order to make salvation possible for preachers, homosexuals, media people, politicians, and all people who want it and who are willing to obtain it His way. So I recognize that I need God's love and grace just as much as homosexuals and every other person who has sinned in order for us to please God and go to Heaven in the Judgment Day.

But in order for this to happen, notice that God's saving love requires that homosexuals and all of us must first "repent" and quit sinning. Acts 17:30 says: "And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:" And 2 Peter 3:9 says: "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."

I do not personally know any local media group which has endorsed the **LGBTQ+** people except the Commonwealth Journal editorial folks. As a Christian I challenge them to either provide us verses from the Bible they think authorize all these **LGBTQ+** sexual behaviors, or publicly admit to all of us that the position they have taken doesn't care what God and the Bible say about sexual immorality.

(2) Why Judge Kelley and this Fiscal Court are not at fault for issuing them a permit to hold their festival on county property.

It needs to be clarified to the public that the Kentucky Supreme Court legally tied your hands when it ruled in the Wasson case 27 years ago today to legalize homosexual sex. So because they changed our civil law that day, by civil law you had to issue these LGBTQ+ people a permit to use the plaza.

But it also must be clarified that when our state Supreme Court departed from God and changed our civil law 27 years ago today, that the Bible did not change and that God did not change His moral Law! Thus this means Christians may

not then or now condone and regard LGBTQ+ folks to be morally okay people since God still condemns their sexual practices.

History will document who the County Judge, magistrates, other politicians, media people, preachers, and other Christians are at this first time in history that these people are being legally allowed to come here and promote what the Bible condemns as sexual immoralities in Pulaski County. And history will also document if any of us at this crucial moment infamously depart from God and condone them doing that or morally continue to stand on God's side and oppose their sexual practices as God still requires Christians to do.

When any country makes civil laws contradictory to God and the Bible they do this to their own moral destruction:

"Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!" (Isa. 5:20).

"Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people." (Prov. 14:34).

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD;" (Psa. 33:12).

Joshua 24:14-16 shows us we must now choose whose side we are on:

Now therefore fear the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in truth: and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood, and in Egypt; and serve ye the LORD. And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD. And the people answered and said, God forbid that we should forsake the LORD, to serve other gods.

So as your friend and one who like you also believes in God and obeys the Bible, I am here today to say to everyone that I stand with the Bible and totally oppose not the souls, but the sexual lifestyles of these LGBTQ+ people which God has always condemned, and their festival too. For it is designed to deceive children and others to forsake God and become accepting of what the Bible condemns as sexually immoral lifestyles for which God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah in Genesis 18 and 19.

Additional Points and Verses for Your Consideration

- 1. The rule of civil law which all countries establish is proof that all countries and people everywhere in the world recognize that not all human behaviors are of equal value and equal rightness.
- 2. God gave us the Bible for the same reason and also to tell us what behaviors He specifically morally approves and what behaviors He specifically condemns

as immorality:

For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. (Rom. 13:9).

"Sanctify them through Thy truth: Thy Word is truth" (John 17:17).

"But He (Jesus) answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God" (Matt. 4:4).

"And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them" (Eph. 5:11).

EDITOR'S NOTE: Willie Ramsey is a fearless soldier of Jesus Christ and, like the apostle Paul, has suffered because of his unflagging devotion to God's Word. In his own words, here are some things he has suffered for Christ:

"Around 20-25 years ago when the church I work with had a Sunday morning radio program I usually preached live in the studio since the program was before our morning services. One Sunday I preached the Bible's opposition to homosexuality. Though I could not prove it was them, when we arrived at the church building two of our windows had been broken out.

And then another window was broken out on Thursday the same week by an unknown object traveling at such speed that it also broke through one side of an inside plaster wall surrounding our large basement stairway.

Then the next day on Friday the church's front doors were egged. [About] 27 years ago, or back in May, 1992, I spoke for half an hour on Lexington's CBS channel 27 WKYT in opposition to homosexuality just prior to the state supreme court's infamous Wasson ruling. I received a couple of nasty calls from them, I know one or maybe both of them were late at night, at my home in Somerset where we lived at the time.

I have not listed my street address in any phone book since that year because of these people. Now living in a small rural community and having worked with the same church for 36 years, it would be no problem for them to know where I am to do damage to me and my family, or to the church I labor with, or to our home when they know we are away.