

How Does “Gay Marriage” Play in the Heartland?

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court’s ruling. “Things are going further and further away from the Bible.” He said the Bible says that “people will have unnatural affections. We’re going in the wrong direction.” Also, he said that even if the law required him to do so, “I’m not going to marry two guys or two women.” He compared the direction of the country to the wicked biblical cities of Sodom and Gomorrah, and asked, “If God (destroyed) Sodom and Gomorrah, what’s he going to think about America?” I agree with him completely.

Others agreed with Tom too. Dan Lamb of the Hillsboro Bible Baptist church called the court’s ruling an affront to “God’s divine instructive” and said, “I will not perform same-sex marriages.” Mike Paraniuk of St. Mary Catholic Church in Hillsboro said he would not perform a same sex marriage because it remains against the tenants of the Roman Catholic Church. And Maurice Mitchell of the First Presbyterian Church said that he was “disappointed in the court.” The big question that Abernathy raised is about whether refusing to perform a same sex marriage ceremony will be seen as an act of discrimination subject to legal penalties. For that, we shall just have to wait and see.

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