

## **INQUIRY INTO SAME SEX MARRIAGE LAW IN NSW**

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Same-sex marriage dependent on anal intercourse is unnatural and against the design of God. The claim of a genetic basis is implausible and unproven. Homosexuals need help not encouragement.

Human beings by anatomy and by desire are sexual beings. That is a crucial part of identity as male and female. It is essential for the production of the next generation. Marriage is more than a sexual relationship but the sexual relationship is a crucial part of marriage. If it were not, laws which allow the annulment of non-consummated marriages would be nonsense.

While the crucial issue in the debate may be obscured by words about “love”, we are really talking about vaginal versus anal intercourse. Human societies have never had any problem approving marriages that involved vaginal intercourse because humans were obviously created for it. Anal intercourse is something else. To declare anal intercourse the equivalent is an attack upon the design of God the Creator. It is a cruel irony that in the midst of the concern about the feelings of homosexuals there is no concern for the feelings of Christians, Jews and Muslims whose God is spurned and whose sacred texts are treated as irrelevant. That is why the discussion has to be hidden under euphemisms about “love”. I would challenge the supporters of homosexual marriage to put a proposition to the people depended for approval on a majority agreement to the proposition that anal intercourse is beautiful.

Given the importance of reproduction to the survival of any species, it is inherently implausible that a mutation could arise and be perpetuated in the population which would give a genetic basis to an aversion to vaginal intercourse. Hence it is no surprise that, despite the misleading propaganda, no genetic basis to same-sex attraction can be proved.

Studies of child sexual abusers, of which a large proportion are homosexuals, seem to be pointing consistently to the fact that a significant proportion were themselves victims of abuse. The homosexual lobby has launched into a campaign to prevent those aware that their attractions are unnatural and caused by abuse, from receiving help. That is because successful therapy undermines the claim that homosexuality has a genetic basis and is therefore incurable. If there is any basis for the belief, and there seems to be considerable basis for the belief, that abuse plays a role in the development of same-sex attraction, then attempting to prevent help is itself an abuse. This is not to say that all homosexuals were abused. It is merely to illustrate the complexity of the issues and the fact that the charge of cruelty and lack of compassion applies to the homosexual side of the debate as well as the heterosexual.

There is of course a constitutional issue as to whether a state may legalize same-sex marriage. It is likely that the time of the NSW government is being wasted on a vain exercise in the attempt to whip up pressure on the federal government. Leaving that aside, it is ludicrous that the NSW parliament should give approval to a gross and unnatural practice for which unjustified claims are made, rather than to realize that the people involved may themselves be victims who need compassion and help, rather than encouragement in their practices.