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Affirming the Good, Rejecting the Wrong

By Flo Hubbs, director of PFOX

Recently, I read a comment about the Iowa Schoolwide Pride Guide: “Good to know you’re supporting our LGBTQIA brothers and sisters in their own ability to know themselves wholly & fully. Affirmation is the key.”

Affirmation is good – but only if what is being affirmed is *good*. Affirming what is wrong does not help anyone and actually harms them.

Paul wrote in Philippians 4:8: that “*whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.*”

God created each of us as either male or female, so it’s odd why anyone would want to believe that gender is just a mental construction.

On another level, trusting our own human ability to fully know ourselves smacks of pride, the original sin from which all others spring.

For years I believed I was born a lesbian. But God showed me his unconditional love and turned my life around. As I started to understand that Jesus died for my sins and shed His blood out of His great love for me (and the whole world), I realized I needed a close relationship with Him.

Telling the Truth in Love

When Jesus met the Samaritan woman at the well, he gently revealed her hidden



sins and forgave her for the misguided decisions she had made. He did not affirm her sinful behavior and instead told her the truth. That’s what real love does. He created in her a new heart, and she went into town and told people about her miraculous encounter with the Lord of Lords and King of Kings, saying, “Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could He be the Messiah?”

God mysteriously restores our broken hearts when we ask Him. Jesus

told people to stop sinning or something worse would happen to them, and this applies to everyone. Sins can vary in the damage they cause, but all sin is wrong in God’s eyes. He wants us to leave it all at the foot of the cross.

I asked Him to forgive me for self-identifying as a lesbian and He lifted me up to become a beloved child of God. The journey can be long, but Jesus has been with me every step of the way. One thing I began to understand was that God had created me for a purpose even

before I was born: "For you created my inmost being, you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place. When I was woven together in the depths of the earth, your eyes saw my unformed body." (Psalm 139: 13-16)

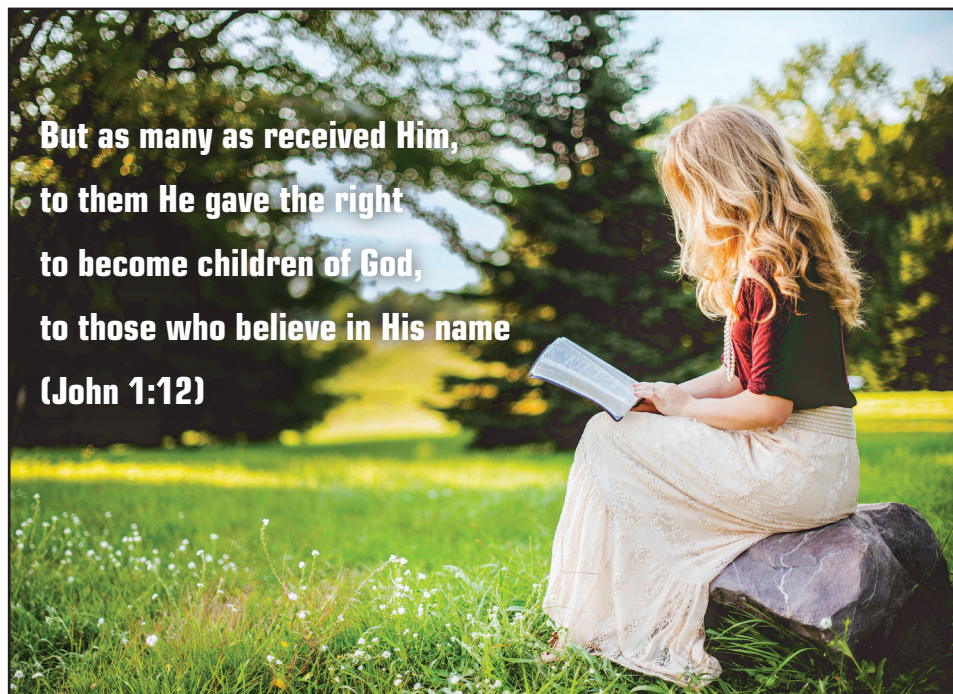
Who Is a 'Child of God?'

What does it mean to become a child of God? A big part of it is realizing He created each of us in His image as immortal beings whose highest purpose is to reflect His glory. The "image" is not about height, weight, eye color, hair color, skin color, etc. It's about the capacity to love others as we love ourselves and to treat others the way we want to be treated. To worship Him and praise Him. To share His truth and love with others around us. More specifically, "But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name (John 1:12).

We can't do this on our own. God gives us a moral sense through the Holy Spirit that allows us to strive for what's right, including in sexuality. God does not want us to dwell on impure sexual things. Jesus warned that when a man even lusts in his mind about a woman not his wife, he is committing adultery.

What seems impossible is doable when we turn to Jesus and trust Him. He gives us hope. He has great plans for each of us. God's love for us is deeper than the things of this world. He wants to give us a new Identity. When we become a child of God by following Jesus, we begin a process of becoming more like Jesus.

For years, LGBTQ activists have insisted, citing fake science, that some people are born gay and cannot change. Now they insist that some are born in



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the wrong body and need drugs and/or surgeries to correct God's "mistake." They are passing laws to force everyone, including children, to go along with this terrible lie, including requiring the use of false pronouns. We cannot affirm what is wrong.

God bequeathed to us a beautiful creation with two complementary sexes and a Way to salvation. We must not surrender to the lies of the world or hand our children over to those who want to use them in the name of "love."

More Big Tech Censorship

A few years ago, Vimeo began taking down videos about hope and change, including some of those posted by PFOX, Mastering Life Ministries, the Restored Hope Network and many others. In January, YouTube blocked videos posted by Joseph Nicolosi Jr. about Reintegrative Therapy. PFOX board member Robert Knight wrote all about it in the *Washington Times* in his article, "How Big

Tech Crushes Hope for Change."

Facebook has now blocked the pages of ministries run by PFOX board member Denise Schick (Help4families and Living Stones Ministries), while Vimeo has blocked videos by PFOX board member Stephen Black (First Stone Ministries). Vimeo also took down all the GODs Voice videos and five years of sermons from Fairview Baptist Church for hosting a conference, Stephen said.

Please pray that this evil suppression of stories of hope and truth will somehow be stopped and that all those who wish to harm our ministries will turn their hearts to Jesus.

The 2nd and 4th Monday of each month, a phone conference support is offered. To receive the phone number, please send an email to info@pfox.org

As always, thank you for faithfully supporting PFOX.

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