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# The Character of our Nation – January 2019

Chaotic, confused, unstable





January 2020

What a difference a  
year makes!

Boris Johnson

How did we get here? What was the tipping point?

**Brexit was the proxy issue for a nation in rebellion against God's laws**

David Cameron, Theresa May now Boris

What next?

◦ Blair and Brown – Equalities Legislation across a decade

2011 David Cameron commits to same sex marriage. More conservative MPs voted against it than for it.

Bishops – no clear sound in parliament

2012 Sex Education becomes compulsory and increasingly radical – Nicky Morgan

May 2015 Theresa May: Extremist Disruption Orders aimed at targeting 'extremists' – Christians are caught as extremists

March 2016 Government weakens law on Sunday Trading – extend hours

July 2018 Government launches Trans Consultation – “wants to see a process that is more streamlined and de-medicalised”

September 2018 Pledges £200 million towards 'family planning' services on Africa and Asia

**A government unable to govern in Autumn 2019 .**

**Hardly any legislation through – except for No fault divorce – extending abortion to Northern Ireland**





# Sir James Mumby

(2013)

“Religion is no longer the business of judges. The courts should not try to be the guardians of morality because there is no longer one definition of rights and wrong in the wake of the sexual revolution... judges should now take people as they find them... Beliefs about matters such as sex outside of marriage or homosexuality held by the majority in the 1960s are as distant to modern Britons as ancient civilisations such as Nineveh or Babylon”.

# Mike Davidson – Faith hero



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blocked

# BACP letter

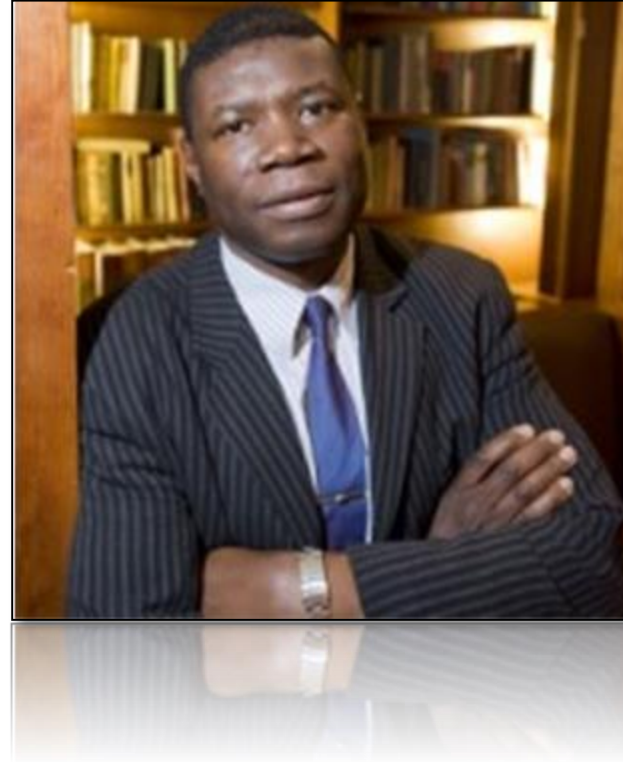


“...(BACP) is dedicated to social diversity, equality and inclusivity of treatment without discrimination of any kind. BACP opposes any psychological treatment without discrimination of any kind. BACP opposes any psychological treatment such as reparative or conversion therapy ”

”

# Gary McFarlane – Faith hero

Dismissed as a Relate counsellor after having indicated that he might have a conscientious objection to providing sex advice to homosexual couples





# Lord Justice Laws:

Judaeo-Christian tradition, stretching over many centuries, has no doubt exerted a profound influence upon the judgment of lawmakers as to the objective merits of this or that social policy. And the liturgy and practice of the established Church are to some extent prescribed by law. But the conferment of any legal protection or preference upon a particular substantive moral position on the ground only that it is espoused by the adherents of a particular faith, however long its tradition, however rich its culture, is deeply unprincipled. It imposes compulsory law, not to advance the general good on objective grounds, but to give effect to the force of subjective opinion. This must be so, **since in the eye of everyone save the believer religious faith is necessarily subjective, being incommunicable by any kind of proof or evidence.** It may of course be *true*; but the ascertainment of such a truth lies beyond the means by which laws are made in a reasonable society. Therefore it lies only in the heart of the believer, who is alone bound by it. No one else is or can be so bound, unless by his own free choice he accepts its claims.

# Lord Justice Laws

The promulgation of law for the protection of a position held purely on religious grounds cannot therefore be justified. **It is irrational, as preferring the subjective over the objective. But it is also divisive, capricious and arbitrary.** We do not live in a society where all the people share uniform religious beliefs. The precepts of any one religion—any belief system—cannot, by force of their religious origins, sound any louder in the general law than the precepts of any other. If they did, those out in the cold would be less than citizens; and our constitution would be on the way to a theocracy, which is of necessity autocratic

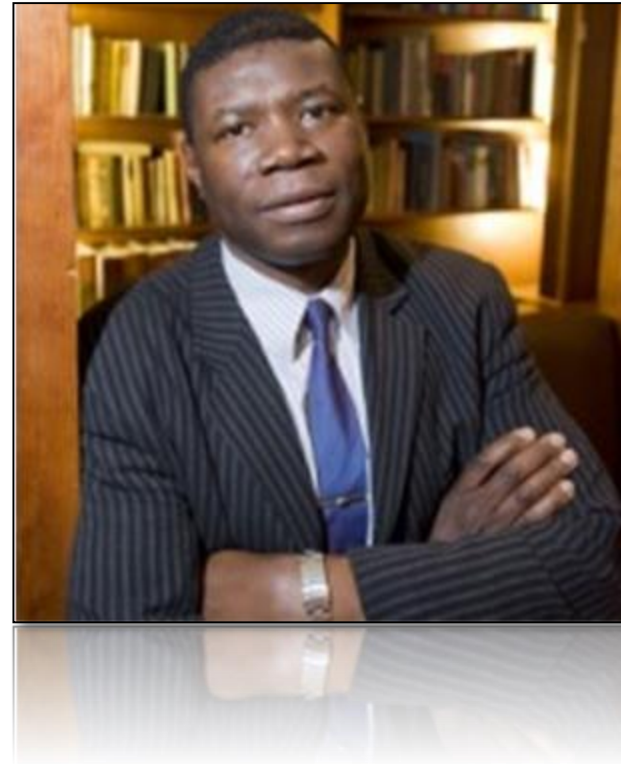
# HM Government's Submission

“Where the individual in question is free to resign and seek employment elsewhere or practise their religion unfettered outside their employment, that is sufficient to guarantee their Article 9 rights in domestic law.”



# HM Government's Submission

“As in the other cases, the applicants were also free to resign if they considered that the requirements of their employment were incompatible with their religious beliefs.”



# Lord Denning

*“It is, I suggest to you, a most significant thing that a judge could draw....his principles of injustice from the Christian commandment of love. I do not know where else he is to find them. The common law of England has been moulded for centuries by judges who have been brought up in the Christian faith.”*

*1963*





Why this conference?




# Iporn: online pornography, how much and how often?

1 in 25 websites is pornographic and about 1 in 8 web searches are for erotic content. <sup>(1)</sup>

In 2018, a SINGLE porn website reported 33.5 billion visits a year. <sup>(2)</sup>

1. Dr. Ogi Ogas and Dr Sai Gaddam, A Billion Wicked Thoughts

2. PornHub, Year in Review (2018)

A stack of newspapers is shown in the foreground, slightly out of focus. The background is a blurred indoor setting with warm lighting.

# No more page 3: people are searching for more than topless photos

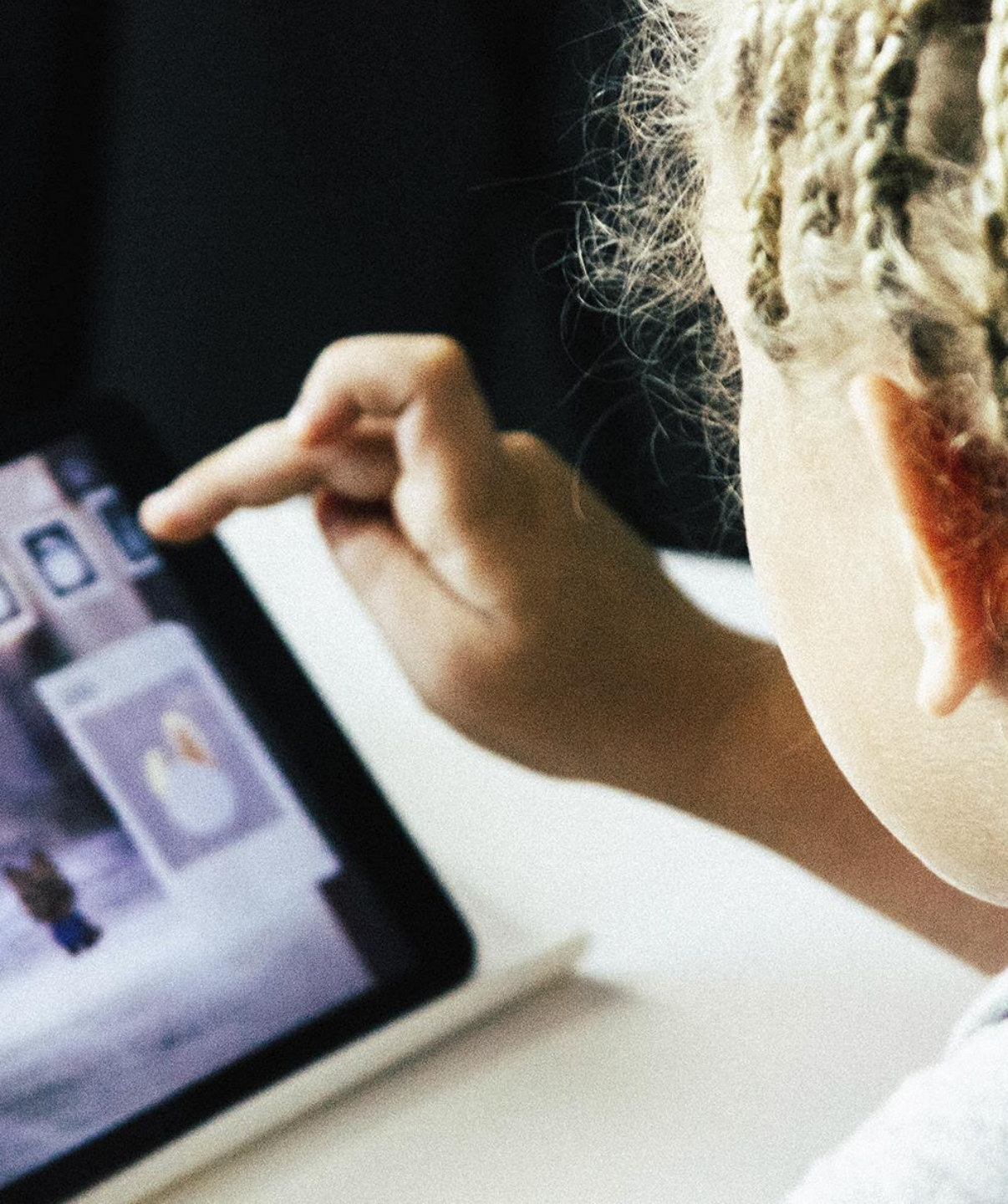
Within an analysis of top-selling porn content, 304 sex scenes were analysed for both physical and verbal aggression; 88% of scenes were found to contain physical aggression and 49% to contain verbal aggression. <sup>(3)</sup>

56% of men said that their taste in porn had become ‘increasingly extreme of deviant’ often creating problems in real relationships. <sup>(4)</sup>

3. Bridges et al. “Aggression and sexual behaviour in best-selling pornography videos: A content analysis update,” Violence Against Women Vol 16 (2010): 1065-1085

4. The Nielsen Company (2010)





# Adults only?: Porn's impact on children and young people

94% of teens said that they had seen porn by the age of 14. <sup>(5)</sup>

1 in 3 ten-year-olds have seen pornography online. <sup>(6)</sup>

5. Sarah Champion MP, 'Dare2Care' report (2016) [sample of 1000 teenagers]

6. Psychologies Magazine (2010)





# Women, men & marriage: more than a “man’s issue”

1 in 3 visitors to porn sites are female. <sup>(7)</sup>

An association of lawyers reported that 56% of their divorce cases involved one partly having an “obsessive interest” in pornographic websites. <sup>(8)</sup>

79% of men and 76% of women aged 18-30 years old said that they watch porn at least once a month. <sup>(9)</sup>

77% of 31-49 year old men have viewed porn whilst at work in the last 3 months. <sup>(10)</sup>

7. Nielsen and NetRatings, <nielsen-netratings.com> (2003)

8. American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers (2002)

9. Proven Men Ministries, “Pornography Survey and Statistics” (2014)

10. Barna Group, “Pornography Addiction Survey” (2014)





# Porn and the church: the elephant in the pew

95% of Christians that self-identified as 'born-again' admitted to viewing porn. <sup>(11)</sup>

Only 7% of churches have programs to help those struggling with porn. <sup>(12)</sup>

93% of Pastors (and 94% of Youth Pastors) say that porn is a bigger problem in their church than ever before. <sup>(13)</sup>

11. Proven Men Ministries, "Pornography Survey and Statistics" (2014)

12. Barna Group, "Pornography Addiction Survey" (2014)

13. Barna Group, "The Porn Phenomenon" (2016)

# Pornography in the Church

The statistics: January 2015 Premier Christian Radio Survey

30% Church leaders who access porn on the Internet more than once a month

42% Christian men who say they have a 'porn addiction'

90% Christians who believe the Church does not adequately support those who struggle with pornography use

75% Christian men who view pornography on a monthly or less regular basis

10% Christian men who say they have paid for sex

# Pornhub Statistics 2019 (1)

1. 42 billion visits in the year
  1. 115 million per day
  2. 80,032 every minute
2. Every nine minutes an entire days' worth of content was uploaded
  1. To watch all the new content uploaded in 2019, it would take 169 years
3. The most popular day to visit was Sunday
4. Mobile phones accounted for 76.6% of traffic

# Pornhub Statistics 2019 (2)

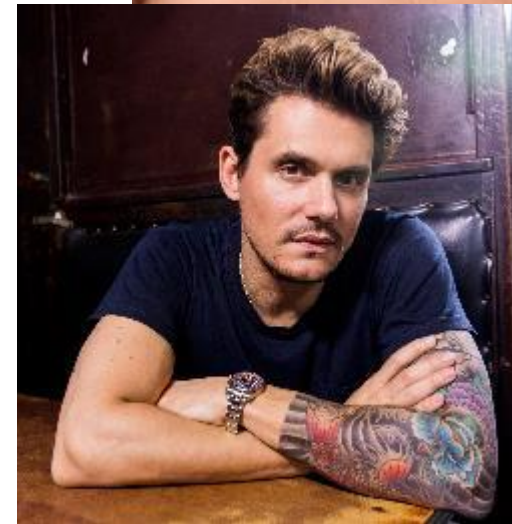
## 1. Demographics

1. Average age 36 [though apparently no one under 18 visits the site...]
2. 32 percent female [up 3% from 2018]
  1. “This statistic clearly demonstrates that porn is not just for men! Women are increasingly viewing porn... This is good news, as it indicates that women are taking charge of their sexuality... less shame, less taboo around female sexuality equals more exploration.” – From PornHub Review of 2019

# Porn Normalised

"I think porn, like anything else, can be enjoyed. It can be productive for both men and women." — [Scarlett Johansson](#)

"I am the new generation of masturbator. I've seen it all. Before I make coffee, I've seen more butt holes than a proctologist does in a week... I have masturbated myself out of serious problems in my life. The phone doesn't pick up because I'm masturbating." — [John Mayer](#)





# Porn Normalised

"I **love porn!** You know what I love about hotels? How discreet they are. They always give you that little thing at the bottom — 'Your room will be charged the same as any other room, no titles will be used.'" —[Cameron Diaz](#)

"You can't put a ban on [porn]. I mean, kids under age are still drinking. It just makes it that much more powerful. It's freedom. **You should be free to watch it whenever you want.**" —[Amanda Seyfried](#)

"I love porn. I'm all for porn." —[Khloé Kardashian](#)



# 2017: Teen Vogue Publishes “How to guide for Anal Sex”



## Teen Vogue's 'Guide to Anal Sex' Spawns Backlash

The debate highlights the lack of LGBTQ sex education in the U.S.

The Teen Vogue logo, with "teen" in red lowercase letters and "VOGUE" in black uppercase letters, tilted diagonally.

<https://www.teenvogue.com/story/anal-sex-what-you-need-to-know>

# Nadia Bolz-Weber

## Feminist Pastor Unveils Vulva Sculpture Made Of Old Purity Rings

Lutheran pastor Nadia Bolz-Weber's project sought to transform purity rings — symbols of a patriarchal theology that she believes has harmed women.



By Carol Kuruville, HuffPost US



## Pastor Nadia Bolz-Weber Wants to Remove 'Shame' From the Porn Industry

NOVEMBER 15, 2018 · 1 MINUTE READ ·

## CHURCH TIMES

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### Ready to let go of shame

30 AUGUST 2019



Nadia Bolz-Weber is calling for a sexual reformation in the Church. She talks to *Madeleine Davies*

### Southwark Cathedral hosts controversial US pastor

Aug 23, 2019

# Kanye West conversion

2007: "I look at porn, but I still only trust manual DVD porn purchases." — [Kanye West](#)

2018: Creative Director of the Pornhub awards

Radically converted

2019 Interview:

‘For me, **Playboy was my gateway into full-on pornography addiction...**My dad had a Playboy left out at age five and it’s **affected almost every choice I made for the rest of my life.**’

‘Well yeah, you turn it off actually. It’s like, with God I’ve been able to beat things that had a full control of me.’



# Mark 8

## Jesus Predicts His Death

<sup>31</sup> He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup> He spoke plainly about this, and **Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.**

<sup>33</sup> **But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. “Get behind me, Satan!” he said. “You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.”**

## The Way of the Cross

<sup>34</sup> Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: **“Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup> For whoever wants to save their life<sup>[b]</sup> will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. <sup>36</sup> What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? <sup>37</sup> Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? <sup>38</sup> If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father’s glory with the holy angels.”**



# The Gospel is real – the Gospel is Hope

- The Gospel is real because it impacts reality
- This means that the Gospel can only make sense and be effective in the context of real reality
- Real reality consists of understanding the Creator/The Created Order and How we were meant to live
- To ignore sexuality or to accept non creational norms is not to love Him and it is to fail to be gospel centered

# How did we get here?

## Coronation Oath 2 June 1953 – 66 years ago

*Archbishop:* Will you to the utmost of your power maintain the Laws of God and the true profession of **the Gospel**? Will you to the utmost of your power maintain in the United Kingdom the Protestant Reformed Religion established by law? Will you maintain and preserve inviolably the settlement of the Church of England, and the doctrine, worship, discipline, and government thereof, as by law established in England? And will you preserve unto the Bishops and Clergy of England, and to the Churches there committed to their charge, all such rights and privileges, as by law do or shall appertain to them or any of them?

*Queen:* All this I promise to do.

## **The Presenting of the Holy Bible**

When the Queen is again seated, the Archbishop shall go to her Chair; and the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, receiving the Bible from the Dean of Westminster, shall bring it to the Queen and present it to her, the Archbishop saying these words:

**Our gracious Queen:**  
**to keep your Majesty ever mindful of the law and the Gospel of God**  
**as the Rule for the whole life and government of Christian Princes,**  
**we present you with this Book,**  
**the most valuable thing that this world affords.**

**And the Moderator shall continue:**  
**Here is Wisdom;**  
**This is the royal Law;**  
**These are the lively Oracles of God.**

Then shall the Queen deliver back the Bible to the Moderator, who shall bring it to the Dean of Westminster, to be reverently placed upon the Altar. This done, the Archbishop shall return to the Altar.

# The Cultural Revolution in 65 years

When the Queen came to the throne Abortion was illegal.

4.8 percent of babies were born outside marriage. The figure is now 46.8 per cent.

There were 349, 308 marriages in 1952, with population of 50 million.

Today with 16 million more people in our population there are 241,100 marriages.

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In 1952 divorce was rare, affecting only 33,922 couples.

In 2017 there were 119,589 divorces.

# Dietrich Bonhoeffer

There are thus three possibilities for action that the church can take vis-à-vis the state: first ... Questioning the state as to the legitimate state character of its actions, that is, making the state responsible for what it does. Second is service to the victims of the state's actions. The church has an unconditional obligation toward the victims of any societal order, even if they do not belong to the Christian community. "Let us work for the good of all." These are both ways in which the church, in its freedom, conducts itself in the interest of a free state. In times when the laws are changing, the church may under no circumstances neglect either of these duties. **The third possibility is not just to bind up the wounds of the victims beneath the wheel but to seize the wheel itself.**



# Where is the gospel under attack?

## Central Truth that in Christ all things hold together

1. The protection of life

2. The pattern for family

3. The place of Jesus Christ



Beginning of Life – unborn child  
cannot speak for itself –so we must

## Abortion Act 1967

The most striking and current example of how  
we have abandoned God in UK law is with  
regard to beginning of life issues

Abortion is illegal unless certain strong criterion  
met



# Abortion

	Abortions per year	Abortions since 1967
1967	21 400	
1968	25 195	~ 25 195
1970	91 900	~ 175 000
2000	197 372	~ 5 500 000
2016	208 553	~ 8 500 000

Figures for England, Wales and Scotland.  
(WHO estimates 50 million abortions every year)

# Abortion: worldwide leading cause of death

41.9  
million



ABORTION

8.2  
million



CANCER

5  
million



SMOKING

1.7  
million



HIV/AIDS

(2018 data from acclaimed Workdometers.com)

## Global Abortion Statistics 2018

Culture of death





## Emergency abortion law debate in Parliament Stella Creasy MP 5 June 2018

Aim to treat access to abortion as a medical  
procedure

**EMERGENCY DEBATE REQUEST**

If the Speaker grants the request, the  
debate will take place within 24 hours

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# Christian Hacking

Arrested for praying outside clinic  
August 2019



# Northern Ireland

100,000 people alive today  
because abortion is not  
extended to Northern Ireland



# Embryology – British Values

## The Legislation

- Human Fertilisation & Embryology Act 1990
- Human Fertilisation & Embryology Act 2008

## The Consequences

- 1978 Louise Brown
- Animal Human Hybrids
- Saviour Siblings
- Genetic screening
- 'Fatherless' children and liberalisation of surrogacy
- 3 parent embryos





# Now possible

- 'Evan' Hempel, 35, first began identifying as transgender at the age of 19 and started taking hormones in 2003 to increase testosterone and lower oestrogen levels.
- After several years of monitoring hormones, an unsuccessful attempt, and a cost of \$12,000, she became pregnant via a sperm donor and is now raising a son with her female partner.
- This shows the agenda of sexualisation and of deliberately trying to undermine the status of the family, and undermine the fact that we are created with a gender.





Tom Daley and Dustin Lance Black  
'Having a baby'

Announced Valentine's Day 2018

# The Gospel is Public Truth – Love, justice, freedom, hope

1. The gift of life

2. The pattern for family

3. The place of Jesus Christ

A black and white photograph of two wedding rings lying on a dark, cracked, and textured surface. The rings are positioned diagonally, with one slightly behind the other. The lighting creates highlights on the metallic surfaces of the rings.

# Marriage & Commitment

Rise of Co-habitation

**Matrimonial Causes Act 1973**

Concept of irretrievable breakdown; No fault divorce.

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# Marriage & Commitment

PUBLIC RELEASE: 22-AUG-2016

Beginning pornography use associated with increase in probability of divorce

AMERICAN SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

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People More Likely to Divorce After They Start Watching Porn, Says Study



# Laws to redefine Family and prohibit dissent

## Sexual Orientation – a protected characteristic

1967 Sexual Offences Act – Homosexuality decriminalised

1970 Gay Liberation Front established

s28 Local Government Act 1988: no local authority shall promote the teaching of homosexuality as a pretended family relationship

1992 First Gay Pride Festival.

1998 Human Rights Act

2000 Policy of barring homosexuals from Military was scrapped. 2003 S28 was repealed

Gross indecency laws abolished

2006 Equality Act (Sexual Orientation) Regulations: discrimination against homosexuals in the provision of good and services illegal

Age of consent equalised

2006 Stonewall issue first report on 'homophobic' bullying

2010 Equality Act: prohibits discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation



Cost of family failure to  
the taxpayer:

2018: £51bn

Up from £37bn ten years ago

Source: Relationships Foundation

# Pornography a gateway

## Court records: Cop said he was 'addicted' to child porn

**Brittany Horn** | The News Journal  
Published 8:34 AM EDT Sep 14, 2016

A New Castle County police officer regularly logged onto a public internet chat room to view and exchange child pornography of girls 6 to 10 years old, according to court records obtained Tuesday by The News Journal.

## I've just discovered my husband's addiction to gay porn and meeting men

A woman has discovered that her husband is addicted to gay porn and that it has led him to experiment with other men. Mariella Frostrup says all is not necessarily lost



## Family Redefined - Ideology and reproductive technology

- Adoption Act 2002
- Definition of family changes
- Gender Recognition Act 2004
- Legal recognition of a transsexual's 'acquired gender'
- Civil Partnerships Act 2004
- Allows same-sex couples to register as civil partners
- Marriage (Same Sex Couples Act) 2014 :  
366 votes to 161

4 January 2019

Hannah and Jake Graf plan to have baby by surrogate





# The Homosexual Agenda

“We were sexual liberationists and social revolutionaries, out to turn the world upside down. GLF espoused a nonviolent revolution in cultural values and attitudes. It questioned **marriage, the nuclear family, monogamy and patriarchy** – as well as the wars in Vietnam and Ireland.”

Peter Tatchell



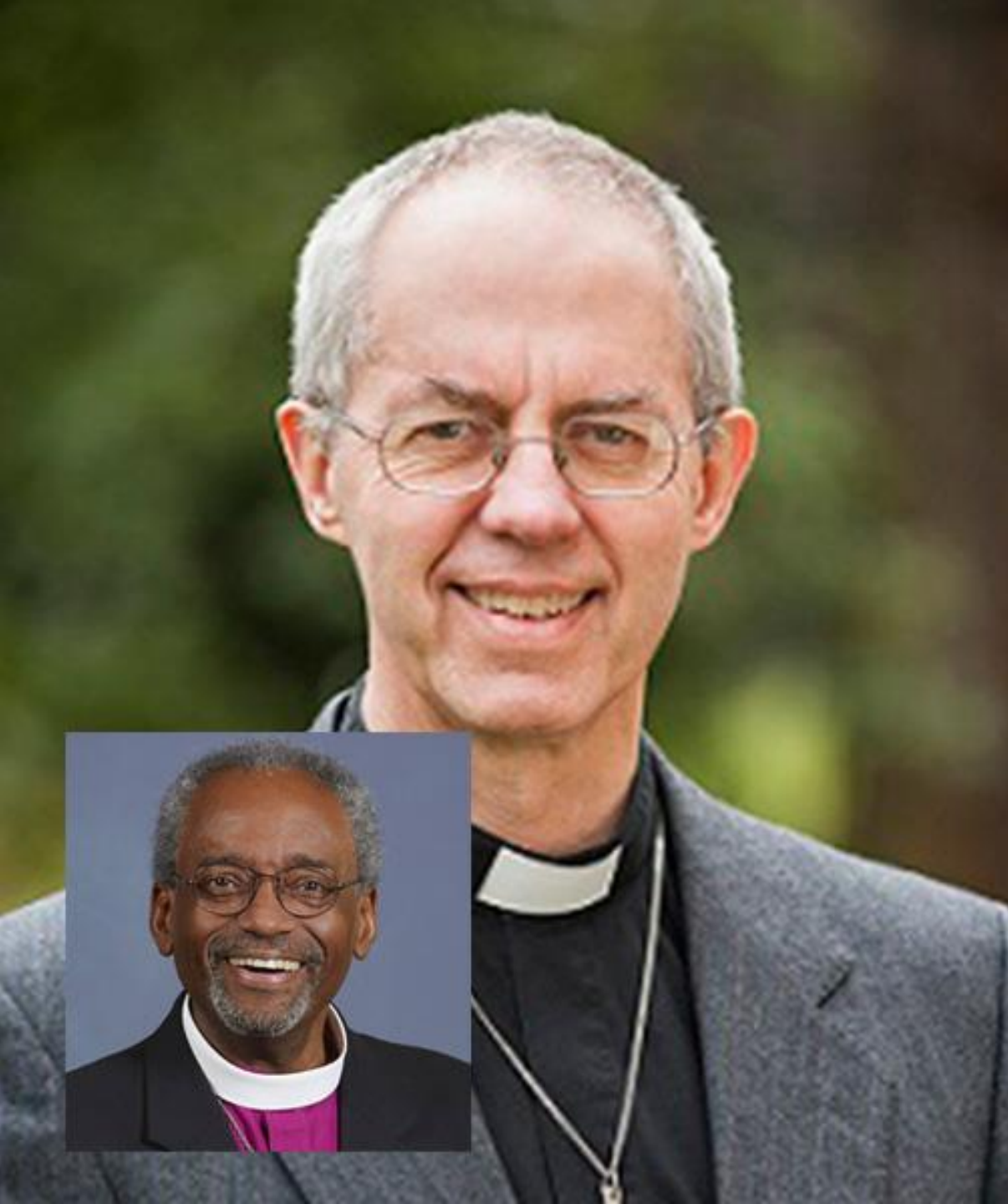


# Marriage Attack

“So I don’t support gay marriage despite being a Conservative. I support gay marriage because I’m a Conservative.”

David Cameron

October 2011



## The Archbishop Of Canterbury - Justin Welby

### The Most Rev. Michael Curry

“It is clearly essential that stable and faithful same-sex relationships should, where those involved want it, be recognised and supported with as much dignity and the same legal effect as marriage.”

Archbishop of Canterbury

2nd Reading— Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Bill House of Lords



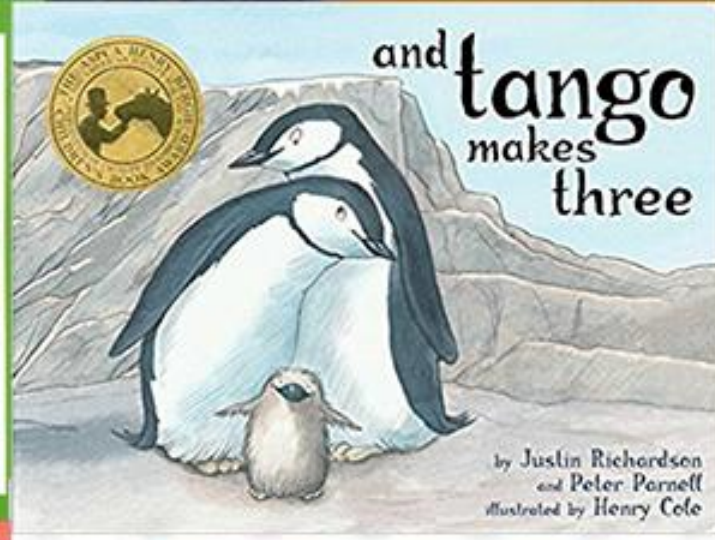
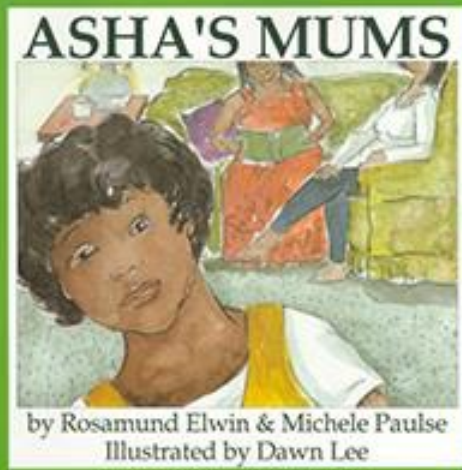


# Deputy Prime Minister, Nick Clegg 2011

## Marriage Bill (Same-sex couples)

"[But] my own sense is once the bill is actually on the Statue Book and once you start seeing same-sex marriages up and down the country – as I hope we see as quickly as possible – then I think actually people will look back on it and think ‘what was all the fuss about’, **very quickly it will seem entirely normal.**"

And it has happened in our schools....



Schools – Our children



# LGBT: Trans rights

## Primary School Books

There is increasing pressure on schools to promote trans rights. They teach that some girls have 'willies' and some boys girly 'bits'. *My Princess Boy* is great propaganda for trans rights.





**"What a wonderful  
prince!"**



**"What a wonderful  
prince!"**











Clad in leather  
Perfect weather



# Toronto Gay Pride 2012







Loving kisses  
So delicious



# London Gay Pride







# Social worker thrown off course

Felix Ngole

- March 2016
- Felix has been removed from a university social work course after he made comments on his personal Facebook page in support of biblical teaching on marriage and sexual ethics.
- He posted comments on his personal page in support of Kim Davis, the Kentucky clerk who objected to signing marriage certificates for same-sex couples
- The university told Felix he "may have caused offence to some individuals" and had "transgressed boundaries which are not deemed appropriate for someone entering the Social Work profession."



# Atmosphere on the ground

## Svetlana Powell

February 2018

A Christian teacher has been dismissed and reported to Prevent, a counter-terrorist watchdog - for telling a homosexual student "God loves you".



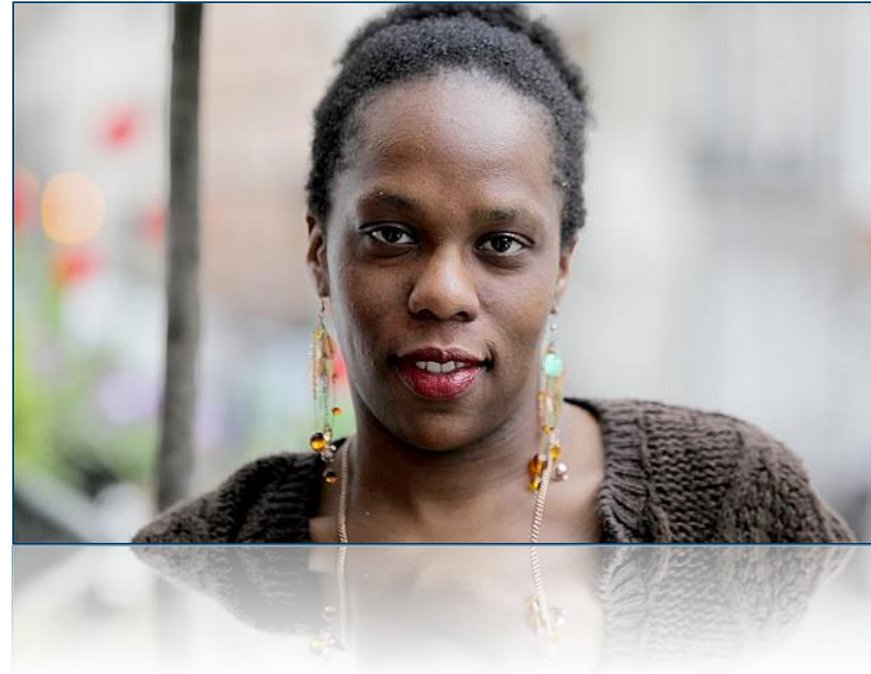
## Vicky Allen

Vicky Allen is a teaching assistant who was disciplined for answering a student's question on same-sex relationships.



# Sarah Mbuyi

Lost her job after a conversation in which a homosexual colleague pressed her about her beliefs and then took offence at what the Bible says



# Transgenderism in schools

## Primary Schools

### Gender neutral uniforms and toilets

- Schools are under pressure to introduce unisex toilets.
- The number of children seeking medical treatment for 'gender-confusion' has risen five-fold in the past five years.



# Now targeting two-year-olds



## Transgender lessons for two-year-olds: Drag queens drafted into nursery schools to teach children about sexual diversity

- Drag queens are reading nursery rhymes 'to teach youngsters LGBT tolerance'
- Nurseries say they are needed so children can 'defy rigid gender restrictions'
- But critics say sessions could confuse children on basics of human existence

By CHARLOTTE WACE and STEPHEN ADAMS FOR THE MAIL ON SUNDAY

PUBLISHED: 22:02, 11 November 2017 | UPDATED: 02:59, 12 November 2017



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Drag queens are being brought into taxpayer-funded nursery schools so that children as young as two can learn about transgender issues.

The cross-dressers are reading nursery rhymes and singing specially adapted songs 'to teach children about LGBT tolerance'.

Source: <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-5073601/Transgender-lessons-2-year-olds.html>

# Freedom for Children

Nigel and Sally Rowe, Isle of White, 6-year old boy cross-dressing as girl. Their boys confused as a result.





# October 2016: Christian parents fear gender-confused daughter could be taken away



A Christian family fear, that unless they permit their 14-year-old gender-confused daughter to live as a boy she could be taken from them by social services.

*The story is covered in national press and media this week and weekend.*





# Freedom of speech



## I called a trans boy a girl by mistake... and it may cost me my job as a teacher: Maths tutor suspended after praising pupil using the wrong gender

- Joshua Sutcliffe said 'well done girls' to the teenager after seeing them working
- He apologised when corrected by the pupil but their parents then complained
- He has been summoned to a formal hearing to face charges for 'misgendering'

By JONATHAN PETRE EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT FOR THE MAIL ON SUNDAY

**PUBLISHED:** 22:10, 11 November 2017 | **UPDATED:** 22:10, 11 November 2017



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Source: <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-5073511/Teacher-suspended-praising-pupil-using-wrong-gender.html>

# The State of the Nation

1. The protection of life

2. The promotion of family

3. The place of Jesus Christ

# Ephesians 1: 19-23

<sup>18</sup>I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people,<sup>19</sup> and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength <sup>20</sup>he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. <sup>22</sup>And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

# Courage is the flower of conviction

- We are God's dominion people – not simply to take people to heaven when we die
- A shrunken gospel shrinks gospel ministry
- Sanctification of vocation – gospelisation of the whole of life



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# A Renewed Vision, Repentance - Reformation - Revival

## A Prophetic Voice, A Reformed Church

1. God's gift of life

2. God's pattern for family

3. God's place for Jesus Christ

# Mobilising God's people

## **Enlightening**

Informing of current realities and future trends in fast changing times, across a range of critical issues

## **Educating**

Providing a deep biblical framework to understand current issues, challenges and opportunities and how God's pattern is best

## **Envisioning**

Inspiring with the beauty and the power of the biblical vision for humanity, building confidence that to seek it and speak of it is good and worthwhile

## **Equipping**

Facilitating effective prayer and action through the provision of accessible, timely and helpful tools and resources



# A 'joined up' future?

## **A longer horizon**

Continuing to be responsive and reactive ... but investing significant resources for the future – proactive, planned, strategic for the next 25, 50, 100 years? Cultural levers, values and trends; institutions, the next generation

## **A wider scope**

Continuing to work nationally, regionally and locally ... but also continentally and internationally

## **A deeper critique**

Continuing to deal with specific issues ... but engaging and critiquing foundational worldviews and philosophies – 'attack' as well as defence

## **A better network**

Continuing to work with individual Christians ... but developing partnerships with churches, networks, denominations, training institutions – working together to spread the message fast and wide

# At the interface with society

## **Vision & policy**

Articulate an attractive, robust biblical framework as the answer for our society and as an alternative to current political philosophies

## **Voice & platforms**

Create and capitalise on opportunities to speak in political and public discourse – e.g. political platforms

## **Visibility & practice**

Creating and renewing 'Christian' institutions – e.g. education, healthcare, welfare, enterprise – loving and serving society but with bold, clear Christian identity, ethos and values – parallel provision

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