

**Jesus and Sex**

In response to Sean McGrath's letter (*ODE*, Feb. 25), lately, it seems a lot of people have been praying for me. My minister, my Mom, my friend Marcy, and my friend Mark. They, too, want me to see the "light" or the truth about homosexuality. Really? What is the truth about sex, drugs and rock-n-roll? Oops, I mean sex, gays and straights.

Here are some examples of real truth when it comes to the Bible, Jesus and Human Sexuality, in no particular order.

Homosexuality exists in 10 percent of the population. Statistically this means that in the United States, homosexuality is the sexual makeup of 28 million citizens. It means that every time 100 people gather together in a church anywhere in this nation (this is about the size of my church) the mathematical probability is that 10 of them are gay.

The Bible can easily be misunderstood and misused when approached as a book of moral codes directly applicable to all moral dilemmas. I applaud the person who can tell black from white for every life situation.

The Sin of Sodom (Leviticus 20:13) is of rape and inhospitality. A lot of people don't know this because they don't read the whole story of Genesis. If you were to read it, you will also find out that gang rape, polygamy and incest are OK. Would these be desirable functions for society today?

Jesus said this about homosexuality: ". . . I am Erich. I am gay. And I am loved. (Sean, write me. Let's talk about it. Box 1782 Eugene 97440.)

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**Bible forbids polyester**

In his letter to the *Emerald* on Feb. 25, Sean McGrath urges us to read Leviticus 20:13 as a basis for the harassment of homosexuals.

I suggest you don't stop with the one verse; read the whole book. This is the law of Moses — catch a woman in adultery, you take her to the city's edge and stone her.

And all of you sinners out there wearing sweats. What are they made of? If the label reads, "Polyester and cotton," then repent in sack-cloth and ashes, if you want to save your souls from Hell.

"Thou shalt not wear a garment that is woven from mixed materials," Leviticus 19:19.

**Ruth Wilks**  
Eugene



**Not Adam and Steve**

This is in response to Nicole McCullough's letter (*ODE*, Mar. 1). I think she is reading too deeply into my original letter. I was merely expressing the truth that homosexuality is wrong. Not once, however, did I proclaim to be prejudiced against homosexuals. (As a matter of fact, I voted against Measure 9.)

Eight years of Catholic school has shown me that God wants us to love everyone, and I can confidently say I have never met anyone I did not love as a child of God. I don't hate homosexuals; I am opposed to what they do.

McCullough said she believes God thinks it is OK to be homosexual. I know He does not. As a good friend of mine has pointed out to me: God created Adam and Eve, not Adam and Steve. In the book of Genesis, God directed Adam and Eve to "be fruitful and multiply." The last time I checked it wasn't possible for homosexuals to be fruitful and multiply. That's something to think about. I didn't make up the rules to the game of life. I think God did just fine. But I love God and wish to follow him, so I have devoted myself to abiding by his rules.

**Sean McGrath**  
National Student Exchange

**Show support for University**

There is a serious move afoot to turn the University into a private institution. If this happens, tuition will be raised a lot more than the planned percentages we see now. If the state representatives and the community don't see strong support now, for and from the University, they are not very likely to fight for us in the future and the University as we know it will disappear.

Thursday night, Feb. 25, a public "Town Hall" forum

occurred here with state Reps. Cynthia Wooten and Carl Hosticka. Many groups were in attendance.

One group that was conspicuously absent was the ASUO and student representation. Both representatives were keenly aware of the lack of attendance by the students and were disheartened by it.

Unless the students and our supposed leadership wake up to what is happening and pull together, this University will be gone as we know it.

**John J. Walsdorf**  
English

**KKKristianity — again**

While I understand the *Emerald* may wisely avoid endless dialogues between letter writers, I feel a personal attack on me by one person needs to be answered.

The background is this: I wrote a letter to the *Emerald* (Feb. 19) about a revealing test I had discovered when I talk with folks who show intolerance in the name of religion. I ask them, "What is your view of Native American spirituality? Is it a legitimate religion?"

Tony Gunderson responded to the *Emerald* with a false accusation about me (*ODE*, Feb. 26). He wrote that I lumped together all Christians, that I was intolerant of them, that I was out of touch with God and that I was filled with bitterness and hate.

Actually, I made a distinction in my letter between true Christians and pretend Christians. I stated that those misusing the name of Jesus — who promoted unity among the downtrodden — in order to push bigotry really practiced "KKKristianity."

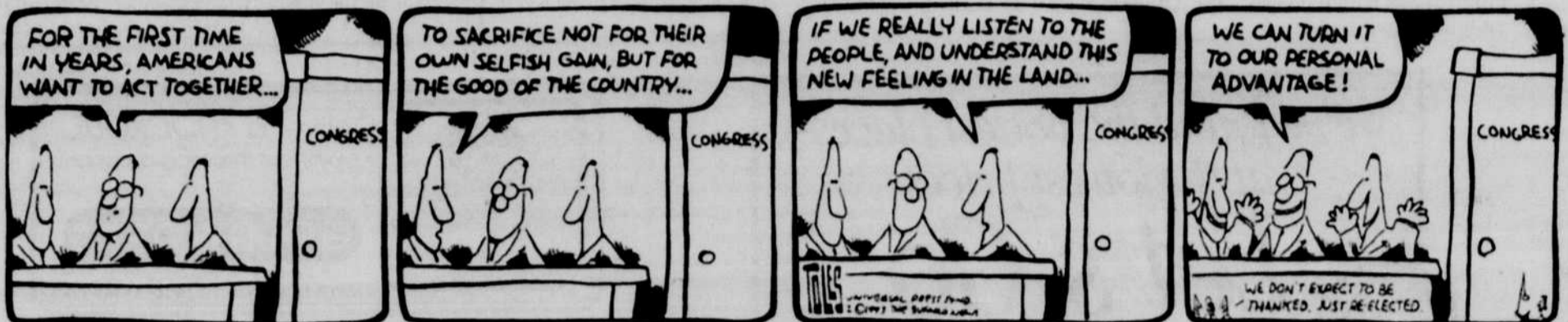
I find Gunderson's eagerness to judge and condemn my spirituality and personality to be typical of indications of a possible case of "KKKristianity."

Finally, I must note that in his letter Gunderson avoided directly answering my test question about his opinion on the legitimacy of Native American spirituality.

Count me as one more white, male American spiritual as a working-class Catholic, who denounces the violent crusade waged for 500 years against Native American spirituality by KKKristianity. I invite Gunderson and others to join me in saying "NO!" to this war. Gunderson picked the wrong pagan to try to convert.

For a start, I invite Christian organization on campus to say "No." For example, several progressive Christian groups continued to belong to Christian campus coalitions this past fall who refused to come out and say "No on 9." That's hypocrisy!

**David Oaks**  
Eugene



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