

# Will God still love BSM after this?

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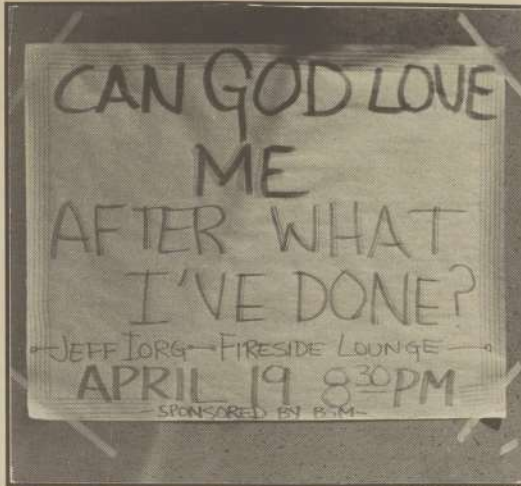
I have never before expressed my opinions in *The Print*. Anyone who knows me knows that I have to be pretty angry or feel awfully strong about a subject before I will push my opinions upon a group of people.

Thanks to the Baptist Student Ministries, I am finally angry enough to write about something I see as wrong. Last week, BSM put up some posters around campus, advertising a speaker they were sponsoring. I am all for interesting, catchy advertising phrases as long as they are harmless. It's only when phrases stereotype and discredit a group of people that I get mad.

In one of BSM's posters, they use the phrase "Drugs, Alcohol, Homosexuality." Upon reading this first poster, my first thought was that there must be some sort of connection between drugs, alcohol and homosexuality. Is there something that the BSM knows that they haven't been telling the rest of the world?

I was told that another poster used the term "cured," in relation to homosexuality. Does BSM actually believe that homosexuality can be compared to a disease that can be cured?

I'd like to know when BSM quit representing God and started playing Him. Do they honestly believe that there is a direct link between homosexuals, drugs and alcohol? I think that if there was a chance these substances lead to homosexuality,



**What has this person done?** there would be a lot more homosexuals in this world.

I have a faith in God, but my God does not discriminate. He does not stereotype or persecute a particular group of people just to attract followers.

I wonder if there was someone on campus who didn't have faith in God, but maybe was considering finding out more about Him, how would they feel about the God that is represented in these posters? Would they really want to have a part in that?

I am equally disappointed in ASG. It was my understanding that all posters had to be read and stamped before they could be posted anywhere on campus. Did anyone over in the Student Government office read these

**Are they gay?** posters before they were displayed on campus?

Maybe no one cared that these posters were potentially insulting to some people on campus and damaging to the reputation of the BSM. Maybe this is acceptable for them. It is not for me.

I have neither pride nor faith in a campus where this is considered acceptable from any group, especially a student ministry group.

I hope that this is being discussed, and that something is being done to keep this from happening again. I can only imagine how I would feel if I was treated in the same manner. I am offended by this act of ignorance and can only hope BSM and ASG have seen the error in their ways.

# Student rankled over BSM posters

To the Editor:

On Thursday, April 7, I came to Clackamas Community College to attend some classes. As I went into the Community Center, I noticed a poster made by Baptist Student Ministries. It contained the thoughts that drugs and alcohol added up to homosexuality. At first, I thought that this was another ploy to get people to attend their meetings such as the various "Great Sex" posters that were on building walls Winter Term. Then I realized that this was a speaker who was "saved" by the ever-forgiving

something they can change? Do they think you wake up one morning and go, "Wow! I'm not gay anymore?" Why doesn't BSM stop bashing people and start helping the people who live in boxes? I would like to see a poster that asks us to help BSM so they can help the homeless. I can dream, can't I? I guess they're more interested in the constantly-sinning student than the people who really need the help.

I think it's time I started my own club. How about: "Atheists and Agnostics Against the Ignorance of the Religious Fanatics?" I might put up posters tell-

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church.

To tell the truth, I have used various drugs and mixed them with alcohol and never became a homosexual. I have used these chemicals and alcohol with homosexuals and never felt that I was in any danger of having sex with them. In fact, I believe your claim is based on ignorance. Maybe your speaker was an alcoholic and a drug user and even possibly homosexual, but I don't think there is any correlation between any of them. I think your speaker was probably lost, couldn't find a place to fit in, until he was "saved" by the church.

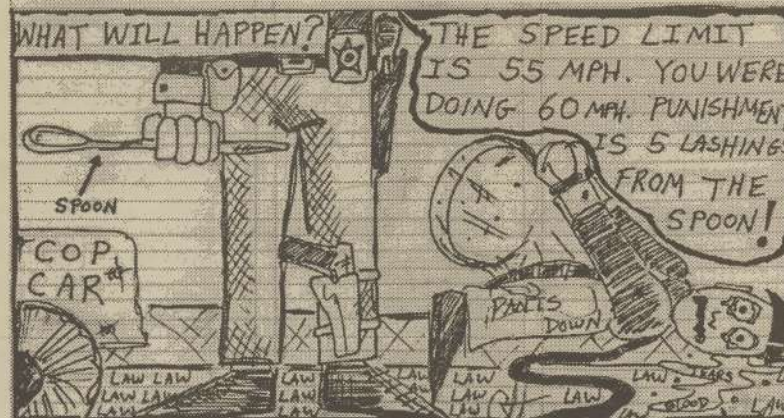
Soon, I'm sure, Lon Mabon of the OCA will be here to start a petition stating that homosexuals cannot come to a public school and that they cannot be hired as a teacher. Why do people seem to think homosexuality is

ing of the correlation between ignorance and bigotry with religion. I will hold meetings about life without a God. A club about the realization that there is more to life than trying to save a soul. A club that accepts all, doesn't ask for 15% of anyone's income, and stresses the facts that we are all different and should enjoy people for it. Nah, I better not. I'm sure student government would decide not to stamp my posters because of the tones it contains. I wonder how BSM got it through. Why don't they control the posters? Or are they more concerned with some other seemingly-urgent matter like improving the student lounge? I thought they were supposed to protect the rights of all students, not just the BSM soul search on campus.

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Just one of the posters on display by BSM advertising who knows what.



# The College And Personal Success

## Top 5 ways to improve your test scores

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A test score is simply a measure of how well a student has learned the given material covered in the course. It is not an analysis of your worth as a human being. However, like it or not, tests are what instructors use around campus to rate our ability to retain information. All students have room for improvement.

Top 5 drum roll please.....

1. Before the test make flash cards. These are handy because they can go just about anywhere. They are small and you can cover vital material a lot quicker than going through the text again and again.

2. During the test, answer the easiest questions first. For multiple choice questions, answer the questions in your head before going to the selections. This will help you go with your first instinct. You'll feel a lot more confident about your answer.

3. Anxiety before a test can be rough. It sounds silly, but it's important to visualize success. Like it or not, we live up to our own expectations, good or bad.

4. If you have to cram for a test (of course this doesn't apply to you) don't try to learn everything. Concentrate on the important things and focus your cramming.

5. Study with a group. You'll feel the peer pressure and stay caught up.