Obama: Jesus endorses same-sex unions

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I'm not trying to be sensationalist, but that is in effect what he is saying. I have up until now kept out of discussing the US presidential elections on the website, although many people have sent me emails regarding it. Politics is a dirty business, especially in the United States, and it seems that candidates will do or say anything in order to get themselves elected. Some have sent me emails about Barak Obama before, who happens to be one of the main contenders for the presidency. He is being portrayed by some as the " saviour of America " and the " h

ope of the entire world"

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overcome

by his persona at his rallies. Naturally some have wondered whether Obama may be a type of Antichrist, a great charismatic leader who will usher the United States into the tribulation period. Probably if I was American I might be more concerned about who was being elected the next president. Personally I feel that the US is not mentioned explicitly in prophecy, and that the European Union is still the best candidate for Daniel's fourth beast, from which the Antichrist must arise. But this particular article about Obama irritated me somewhat, not because of his liberal views on homosexuality, or even his lax views on abortion, but the fact that he quotes God's Word to justify these sins.

Quote: ""I don't think it [a same-sex union] should be called marriage, but I think that it is a legal right that they should have that is recognized by the state," said Obama. "If people find that controversial then I would just refer them to the Sermon on the Mount, which I think is, in my mind, for my faith, more central than an obscure passage in Romans." (See video here) St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans condemns homosexual acts as unnatural and sinful. Obama's mention of the Sermon on the Mount in justifying legal recognition of same-sex unions may have been a reference to the Golden Rule: "Do to others what you would have them do to you." Or it may have been a reference to another famous line: "Do not judge, or you too will be judged."

Ironically, the article mentions that in the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus Christ also condemns murder, divorce and adultery. The Lord's teaching on hating your brother without a cause more or less settles the issue of abortion. Any person that is capable of killing an unwanted child has to hate them without a cause. Surely that must be the penultimate expression of hatred against an individual, where one can take a life without giving it a second thought. Only around 4% of abortions in the United States and Great Britain are carried out for medical reasons. If Obama believes we ought to form our views based on Christ's Sermon on the Mount, then will Obama outlaw adultery? Or will he make it illegal to divorce your spouse for any reason other than unfaithfulness? In the Sermon on the Mount, the Lord was teaching that whereas the moral aspect of the law prohibited these sins, it was the condition of the heart that God was ultimately

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concerned with. And if you hate your brother without a cause or you look upon a man or women with lust, then you have already committed the deed of murder or adultery in your heart, which according to God's standards is the same as actually carrying it out. The Bible states that God desires truth "in the inward parts", Psalm 51:6. The Lord's teaching on not judging our brother means that we shouldn't condemn those that are caught up in these sins. They need God's salvation. But we must condemn the sin, for according to Scripture it is abomination in the sight of God, and there isn't going to be anyone in heaven who practices such sins (1st Corinthians 6:9-10, Revelation 21:27). There is something seriously wrong when a senator who claims to be a Christian can support laws which are diametrically opposed to God's Word. The article also points out that the message Obama is presenting to the evangelical community is not the same as the one being given to the homosexual community. Barak Obama recently published an open letter to the homosexual community on his website, pledging his support for homosexual adoption and civil marriages.

Quote: ""As your President, I will use the bully pulpit to urge states to treat same-sex couples with full equality in their family and adoption laws," Obama said in the letter. "I personally believe that civil unions represent the best way to secure that equal treatment. But I also believe that the federal government should not stand in the way of states that want to decide on their own how best to pursue equality for gay and lesbian couples--whether that means a domestic partnership, a civil union, or a civil marriage."

So in Obama's eyes it seems that anything goes, so long as everybody gets treated equally. And perhaps in this Obama does have the support of the Scriptures. For the Bible states that the Lord will reward every man according to his works, whether they be good or evil. There will be no one standing at the Great White Throne judgement who will be able to claim that they didn't get what they deserved.

Revelation 20:12-15

And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is [the book] of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

Notice in the above verses that sinners are judged according to their works, but the only requirement for sinners to be saved is that their name be found written in the Lamb's book of

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life. In fact this is the only thing that God will accept for a soul's salvation. The Bible states that all our good works are like filthy rags in God's sight (Isaiah 64:6). It's only the blood of Jesus Christ that can take away our sin (Hebrew 10:11-12). Whenever a sinner repents of his sin and places his faith in the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation, his name is written in the Lamb's book of life (Luke 10:20). Is your name written in heaven?

I was humbly kneeling at the cross Fearing nought but God's angry frown When the heavens opened, and I saw That my name was written down

There's a new name written down in Glory, And it's mine, oh yes it's mine! And the white-robed angels sing the story, " A sinner has come home! " There's a new name written down in Glory, And it's mine, oh yes it's mine! With my sins forgiven, I am bound for heaven, Never more to roam.

In the book 'tis written, "Saved by Grace" Oh the joy that came to my soul! Now I am forgiven, and I know By the blood I am made whole

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