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Fired for Faith - posted by inotof (), on: 2005/6/30 18:02

just another sad, sad sign of the time.

Allstate Fires Employee for Pro-Family Column Critical of Gay "Marriage"

CHICAGO, June 24, 2005 (LifeSiteNews.com) — An employee of the Allstate insurance company has been fired from his job for comments that appeared in a men's journal denouncing same-sex "marriage," even though the statement was penned in the employee's own spare time and from home.

"I explained to Allstate that the article was a reflection of my personal Christian beliefs, and that I had every right to both write it and to have it published," J. Matt Barber told WorldNetDaily news. "I further explained that I had written the article while at home on my own time, that I never mentioned Allstate's name and that I neither directly nor indirectly suggested that Allstate shared my Christian beliefs or my views on same-sex marriage."

Allstate made no attempt to hide its bigotry. According to its report, "The claimant was discharged from Allstate Insurance Company because an outside organization had complained about an article he had written while on his own time." The company even tried to have Barber denied unemployment insurance, which can be withheld if a person was fired for a violation of company policy or rules.

Barber's commentary on same-sex "marriage" appeared in the online journal MensNewsDaily.com. A homosexual activist group had complained to Allstate after reading the article and noticing that Barber's bio mentioned that he was an employee there. Barber said the magazine added the bio information without his knowledge.

"Marriage between one man and one woman, and the nuclear family have forever been cornerstones of civilized society," Barber's article began. "Regrettably, there are at present, many within the militant homosexual lobby who wish to take a sledge hammer to those cornerstones — many who hope to undermine both the historical and contemporary reality of marriage and family — many who, through judicial fiat, aim to circumvent the Constitution, the legislative process, and the overwhelming will of the people in an effort to redefine marriage. Accordingly, the unsolicited, oxymoronic and spurious expression 'same-sex marriage' has been forced into popular lexicon."

Barber has retained the services of David Gibbs III, the same lawyer who fought on behalf of the Schindler family to save the life of their daughter, Terri Schiavo. "To have Fortune 100 companies like Allstate firing people for expressing their sincerely held religious beliefs and even their personal viewpoints on their own time demonstrates just how out of control things have gotten," Gibbs said. Gibbs argues the termination is a violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act. "The law was intended to make sure people of faith didn't have to leave their religion or viewpoints at the workplace stairs," he explained.

Allstate is a financial donor to homosexual-advocacy groups, including the LAMBDA Legal Defense and Education Fund, and the Gay and Lesbian Alliance against Defamation.

See related LifeSiteNews.com coverage:

Canadian Courts Approve Suspension of Teacher who Criticized Homosexuality in Letter to Editor
<http://www.lifesite.net/ldn/2005/jun/05061408.html>

Re: Fired for Faith - posted by Joshua99 (), on: 2005/6/30 19:05

I sorry for the brother, but "Those who desire to walk in Godliness, SHALL be persecuted" from Romans. Soon the Lord will begin the call to Holiness, calling all to Stand on His Word, or perish. Difficult days are ahead of us all. Let's place our confidence in Jesus, The True Word of God and obey His Spirit. Blessings

Re: Fired for Faith, on: 2005/7/1 9:33

Quote:

-----"Those who desire to walk in Godliness, SHALL be persecuted" from Romans.

This is interesting, as I noticed something in passing yesterday, which reminds me of it.

Revelation 12:10

And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

Which reminded me of this

Job 1:6

Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them.

{Satan: Heb. the adversary} {among: Heb. in the midst of}

and this

Genesis 14

18 And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he the priest of the most high God.

19 And he blessed him, and said, Blessed Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth:

20 And blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all.

21 **And the king of Sodom said** unto Abram, **Give me the persons**, and take the goods to thyself. {persons: Heb. **souls**}

Right in the midst of worship in the presence of THE High Priest, the predator is not shy to try to strike a bargain - the exchange of souls for merchandise.

In another thread, this danger has been raised, of the church being forced to mitigate its message because of government (or business) sponsorship of some sort.

Revelation 17

Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:

2 With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.

Revelation 18

3 For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth **are waxed rich** through the abundance of her delicacies.

4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, **Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins**, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

5 For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities.