## "Worse and Worse" Dub McClish

"But evil men and impostors shall wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived" (2 Tim. 3:13). Paul's description of ungodly men fits just as well now as when he wrote it. There is literally no end to the extremes of evil to which some will go. An update on the latest developments in the "sexual revolution" is a case in point. The first softening of God's moral law on sexual conduct related to the lifelong marriage covenant between one man and one woman. As the entertainment media grew ever bolder over the past 30 years and as educators and theologians grew increasingly tolerant of immorality, those things that once were called "sin" came to be accepted conduct. The result is that a large percentage of the public now treats sexual promiscuity, unchastity, adultery and fornication as something to boast about, laugh at or, to be tolerated as an "alternate lifestyle."

When the "sexual fence" was lowered this far, the next step was predictable: If immoral conduct between opposite sexes could achieve general acceptance, why not immoral conduct between those of the same sex? The homosexual element emerged as "The Gay People." They have organized politically and are constantly bemoaning the "violation of their civil rights." They sought legal status as a "minority group," which they eventually received. It is shocking to lovers of righteousness to see infidel theologians and churches, humanistic educators and psychologists and the liberal social planners pleading their case. It is more shocking to see the erosion of conviction by the rootless general public that homosexuality is still what it has always been — an abomination to God.

The "fence" is already being further lowered. I have in my files a review by syndicated columnist, George Will, of a recently published article by James Ramey. The article was published by the Sex Information and Education Council of the United States (SEICUS). This is the same amoral outfit that was behind the relentless effort to force sex education into the public-school curriculum. (See why so many staunchly opposed the effort?) In said article, Ramey argued that incest is a matter of "personal morality," that laws against it are "overly harsh," and hints that it is no more ominous than masturbation. He quoted some self-styled "sex researchers" who opine that incest can be beneficial. In his scathing review of Ramey's article, Will mentions that *Time Magazine* has already identified enough pro-incest sentiment to term it a "lobby." I doubt not that the next push of the perverts will be for bestiality. What could better demonstrate the unlimited degradation of men that results from deserting God's will? [Note: I wrote this article for and it was published in *The Edifier*, weekly bulletin of Pearl Street Church of Christ, Denton, TX, April 8, 1982, of which I was editor.]

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