

## **“Enough Is Enough”<sup>1</sup>**

The sound of the Christian witness being dismantled in our land is becoming clearer every day. One of the last battles before we're forced into our lonely closets to lick our wounds is at hand – the battle over marriage. During the previous generation the abortion stalemate demonstrated how powerless the church is – the church triumphant has been the church defeated. Now, the Lord has thrown another gauntlet down, the fight over marriage. If we lose this one, not only will marriage become unrecognizable, but our freedom to openly minister to our society and share the gospel could become incredibly more difficult. To the everlasting shame of four state Supreme Court justices and complicit legislators that helped prepare the way, homosexual deviancy has been “normalized” and same-sex marriage is now legal throughout the state. We have one opportunity to reverse this tide and stand for what is right. Voting “Yes” on Proposition 8 will constitutionally define marriage as only between a man and a woman. If Proposition 8 does not pass, marriage will be forever devalued to whatever the ungodly choose it to be. This is our fight, this is our time, and it's our responsibility to protect the family, our children, and the next generation from this unholy attack on the sanctity of marriage and the traditional family.

For years many have sat idly by and cursed the darkness as a small, vocal, committed community has done everything in its power to destroy the family – the very foundation of our society. We're now at a crisis point, and excuses are no longer valid. You must decide whether to watch as moral darkness overwhelms the good, or do all you can to pass Proposition 8. Think about it, if Proposition 8 fails, what makes you believe moral darkness will ever accept the current status quo with light? Are we so naive to think the current battle over marriage will be the last battle we'll have to face? Our public schools are already required to promote same-sex marriage as equivalent to normal marriage. Allowing same-sex marriages to remain legal will eventually give lawful recourse to challenge: a church's 501(c)3 status; how it uses its facilities; whether preaching about homosexuality is “hate speech”; whether Christian schools will remain credentialed; and on and on. What're you going to say years from now when your children or grandchildren ask what happened and what you did to try and stop it?

As for me, I've had enough. Obviously, same-sex attraction violates human nature, is shameful, ungodly, and ultimately destructive. I've had enough of ungodly and morally bankrupt judges, legislators, a governor, attorneys and the sexually deviant forcing me and my family to not just tolerate a degenerate lifestyle, but to accept it as something normal that should be promoted and aggressively encouraged. I've had enough of good people with valid concerns about homosexuality being branded as homophobic, intolerant, bigoted, or worse (Incidentally, I've never met a “homophobe”, but I have consistently met people of faith with compassion for those trapped in this destructive lifestyle). I've had enough of weak, compromising pastors that only preach what itching ears want to hear (2 Tim 4:3) and use fine sounding, nuanced, arguments to justify their denial of clear Biblical truth. I've had enough of Satan enslaving men, women, boys and girls in the lie of the normality of same-sex attraction. I've had enough of darkness encircling our churches and using the power of government to remove our witness to the world. I've had enough of Christians thinking all they have to do is share the gospel while assuming no other responsibility towards our neighbor (Matt 22:39) or enemy (Matt 5:44). I've had enough of spiritual leadership not understanding that the tools used against us (legislation, public policy, judicial action) are the very ones we've walked away from using to promote righteousness. I've had enough of believers expecting the Lord to miraculously reverse the homosexual tide, but then deny any personal responsibility to be used by the Lord to fulfill His purposes.

It's time to cry out to God for forgiveness of our apathy and unwillingness to fight for what is right. It's time to do a self assessment of what our individual role is and what we're to do. Voting “Yes” on Proposition 8 in November is an opportunity to reject the defining of marriage as anything to anybody. It's an opportunity to say “Yes” to what marriage has been throughout human history. Is just voting enough? In a word -No! You have the money needed for advertising; your family, friends, and neighbors need to know about the importance of supporting Proposition 8. Have you encouraged your pastor to preach on the necessity to engage the enemy with all the resources that can be brought to bear in the few days that are left? I'm taking my stand – are you? Let the wave of legalized and promoted perversion stop here, and stop now. There are many ways to become involved – if you would like to know more, contact me or [www.protectmarriage.com](http://www.protectmarriage.com).

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