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Jon's View

Are Homosexuals Heading for HELL?

This month for a very short topic I wanted to pass along my thoughts regarding the passing of Pope John Paul II and the election of his subsequent replacement. Having been raised a catholic myself I would like you to know that this is just MY opinion - I do not wish to push a hot button nor do I wish to offend anyone. I was just opening the bar when Pope John Paul II was installed in Rome and I remember, as though it was yesterday, all the negative things that were coming out of the Vatican regarding gays and lesbians. I never expected anything else from the church and understand their right to want their followers to think that way. My mission in opening the club also had no thought about what the local priests, or for that matter, even the Bishop thought about what I was doing. Both parties should, and did have the right to go down their own path and do what they believed was correct. The entire time that we were trying to open our club here in the suburbs, I can tell you the words coming from Rome were in no way supportive of our lifestyle. I think it was not until John Paul's second hand man sent a letter to all American bishops



in our last election telling them to deny anyone who did not follow the church's rules and doctrine regarding abortion and homosexuality were "NOT" to receive the Holy sacraments of the church. This was a HUGE over stepping of ones boundaries, and honestly, I think gives us great concern with the new man on the throne leading this church. I can only say that I think we as a community of brothers and sisters should keep a very close eye on what comes out of Rome and not turn our back on them for one second. This is not the time for Tom Delay and his group in Washington to try and return us back to the dark ages. No, we have



to continue to keep our watchful eyes on the man who put Bush back into the White House. So, when you see the man in all his white robes on your television - keep your ears open and do not let all this new found love fool you. This Pope would like nothing more than to have every homosexual, every bi-sexual, every transgender and every woman who has had an abortion get on a fast train – heading straight to hell. There are many, many places of worship that welcome and accept us, and I strongly think we all need a higher power that loves us for who we are, and not what some man in a long, flowing robe thinks we should be. Sorry if I have upset some people, and no doubt I have, but let me hear your thoughts and feelings.



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