

THE HOMOSEXUALITY-CONTRACEPTION ALLIANCE

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July 25th marks the anniversary of Pope Paul VI's prescient encyclical *Humanae Vitae*. In it he reiterated the Church's constant teaching that contraception is intrinsically evil and never morally acceptable. The core statement in the document states that: "*Each and every marriage act must remain open to the transmission of life.*"

There are various ways to get to this conclusion, but Paul VI is to be credited especially for articulating something called the "inseparability principle." This means that with human sexuality two essential realities are involved and cannot be separated *willfully* without introducing moral disorder: life and love, babies and bonding, procreation and union.

We're not animals, so sex is not *just* about having babies. Don't let our detractors get away with that straw argument against Catholic moral reasoning. Even a cursory knowledge of how we're made shows that conception is only really possible several days a month. God clearly is telling us that He does not intend pregnancy *every* time. And since we're human beings, intimacy is a key ingredient - we're saying that loudly and clearly.

But intimacy *is* intended to serve the "natural end" of sexual love which is the creation of a new person. And each new person has an immortal soul and a destiny beyond this world. Because the stakes are so high in this endeavor, every step possible must be taken to advantage that new person and help him reach his ultimate destiny: heaven. All things being equal, marriage is the very best milieu in which to conceive a child. Love serves and protects life. To be truly human, sexual relations must integrate the two. To seek sexual pleasure in a way that closes the door to new life is a dishonest act. Contraception falsifies the language of love.

Pope Paul VI was prophetic in his 1968 admonition: disorder would follow upon disorder were society to embrace the contraceptive principle, viz., that there is nothing wrong with divorcing sexual behavior from procreation. There is another group that has capitalized on this erroneous principle: the homosexuals.

The homosexuals say: *What is wrong with our behavior? Why does sexual activity have to be only between a man and a woman?* They understand well what many contraceptors won't admit, i.e., that they both argue from the same destructive principle - that they're intellectual bed buddies.

Once this philosophical firewall (the inseparability argument) is torn down, it just becomes a matter of "preference" what particular act you engage in. Martin Luther (here we can agree with him) likened contraception to sodomy. In both cases the body is used for pleasure with total disregard to the deeper meaning of human sexuality.

While many contraceptors might object to this reasoning, I would challenge them to provide a rational counter-argument. A *non-rational* reaction would proceed from one's gut: a contraceptor might find the idea of homosexual acts personally repulsive, and probably most do. On the affective level an individual contraceptor might retain his natural resistance to sliding all the way down the slippery slope of depravity and into the pit of homosexuality. And there are certainly other factors, beyond philosophical ones, that give rise to same-sex attractions. Same sex attraction is in the end a psycho-sexual affective disorder of murky genesis.

Yet the proof that contraception and homosexuality are cut from the same cloth is evident in the phenomenon that so many heterosexuals fear being labeled "intolerant" or "close-minded" by opposing gay relationships. The contracepting public has intuited that it is somehow inconsistent to tell the gays that *they* cannot separate love and life in sexual relations, while they themselves do it all the time. The next step is to cave to the demands of the gay agenda, out of a misguided sense of fairness and American equality.

But the philosophical sword with which to slay the gay dragon lies not in the hands of the contraceptor. He is found to be impotent before it and that is the reason why the heterosexual-but-contracepting majority cannot halt the minority homosexual onslaught that is steadily advancing, devouring our children and readying itself to exhale it's noxious flames against the Holy, Catholic Church.

It's high time to join the fight for Western Civilization, beginning with the re-embrace of the natural law principle that love and life are not to be rent asunder.

-Don Francesco

You shall not lie with a male as with a woman; it is an abomination (Leviticus 18:20)