

“HOMOPHOBIA,” DEMOGRAPHIC DECLINE, ISLAMIC IMMIGRATION AND THE EUROPEAN DEATH WISH

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Instead of death by the slow poison of modernism, the Europeans might consider mass suicide. Either way, the outcome will be the same.

Europe today is pathological.

Healthy societies exalt the family. Sick societies celebrate perversion -- and seek to ban healthy aversion to the same, in the name of equality.

Healthy societies have a clear understanding of who they are and how they arrived where they are. They both acknowledge and honor their religious roots. Sick societies are militantly secular. They engage in historical revisionism, pretending that faith played no part in their development.

Healthy societies have children. Sick societies are marked by below-replacement birthrates. (They refuse to reproduce themselves.) Having rejected faith, family and future, they lack an incentive for procreation.

The foregoing is crucial for understanding the resolution “Homophobia in Europe,” which was overwhelmingly enacted by the parliament of the European Union last month.

The resolve defines “homophobia” as “an irrational fear and aversion of homosexuality and of lesbian, gay and bisexual and

transgender people based on prejudice, similar to racism, xenophobia, anti-Semitism, sexism.”

The measure’s sponsors cited no evidence that those who engage in anal intercourse (and other forms of sodomy), or mutilate themselves in an attempt to change their gender, are the equivalent of blacks, Jews and immigrants – other than their assertion of same.

The EU demanded that its member states combat this vile bigotry by implementing programs guaranteeing that the sick and unnatural receive parity of treatment with the healthy and normal. Member nations were told to “ensure that same-sex partners enjoy the same respect, dignity and protection as the rest of society” – which would appear to be a mandate for so-called gay marriage.

Are homosexuals being sent to death camps? Are they forced to wear distinctive insignia for identification? Are there signs refusing them admittance to restaurants, hotels and theaters? Are they herded into ghettos? Do newspapers run employment ads that stipulate “gays need not apply”?

As examples of rampant homophobia approaching the barbarism of pogroms and genocide, proponents of the measure (which passed by a vote of 468 to 149, with 41 abstentions) cited the following: 1) Latvia has a constitutional amendment defining marriage as the union of a man and a woman. 2) When he was mayor of Warsaw, Polish President Lech Kaczynski blocked a gay pride parade and 3) Poland’s prime minister, Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz, once described homosexuality as a “contamination” of society.

I refuse to listen to another Polish joke. The Poles must be the brightest people in Europe.

The EU's anti-homophobia crusade is less about protecting gays from physical abuse than persecuting dissenters from the reigning sexual orthodoxy.

In November, Pastor Ake Green was acquitted of hate speech by Sweden's high court. Pastor's Green's crime? Preaching a sermon on the Bible's view of homosexuality. The reaction of Swedish homosexual activists? We need tougher laws against hate speech.

To understand the priorities of Europe's political class, compare the homophobia resolution to the EU's non-response to the lethal wave of anti-Semitism which has swept the continent in the past five years, including assaults, bombings, shootings and the desecration of synagogues and cemeteries (all courtesy of Europe's newest citizens, from the Land of the Rising Prophet).

In general, the Europeans have adopted a counter-Biblical worldview. The same Bible that says of the Jewish people "I will bless those who bless you and curse those who curse you," also calls homosexuality "an abomination."

It's no coincidence that central to the new Europe -- a rough beast slouching toward Brussels -- is a refusal to acknowledge the continent's origins. The proposed constitution for the European Union (a document of over 70,000 words) contains not a single reference to Christianity. Thus more than a millennium of European history is effectively erased. Editing the past for political ends didn't stop with Stalin.

In his book "The Cube And The Cathedral," Catholic scholar George Weigel notes that for the Brussels bureaucracy, denial of Europe's Christian heritage is motivated by more than embarrassment over the past.

“In the minds of many Europeans, Christianity was not simply a non-factor in the development of contemporary European public life,” Weigel writes, “Christianity was (and is) an obstacle to the evolution of a Europe at peace, a Europe that champions human rights (*including “gay rights”*) a Europe that governs itself democratically.”

Its anti-homophobia campaign is just the latest example of Europe’s rejection of Judeo-Christian morality. In the Bible, procreation isn’t optional. The first commandment is to “be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth.”

Having lost their faith and embraced an ethic of radical autonomy, Europeans stopped going to church, stopped taking the Bible seriously, stopped believing in the future and stopped having children.

The continent is in a demographic tailspin. Population replacement – maintaining current population -- requires a fertility rate of 2.1 (the number of children the average woman has in her lifetime). Italy’s fertility rate is 1.24, the Czech republic’s is 1.18 and Spain’s is 1.15. Throughout Europe, only Muslim Albania has a replacement-level fertility rate.

Over the next half century, this will lead to 70 million fewer Europeans. (Thus boosting humanity’s combined IQ?) If current trends continue, Europe’s population is expected to fall from 728 million today to 658 million by mid-point in this century.

Instead of encouraging women to have more children, Europe’s politicians are intent on encouraging equality between families that rock the cradle and couples in relationships that primarily produce death by spreading frequently fatal diseases.

Now, let's see, what's the average life-time fertility of gay men and lesbians?

Having abandoned Christianity, Europe is trading the cross for the crescent. The Europe of the future could include a Grand Mufti of Canterbury and mosques towering above the churches of Paris.

Europe is augmenting its shrinking workforce with recruits from North Africa and the Middle East. What used to be called Christendom has thrown open its portals to adherents of the religion of peace. (The gates of Vienna, which held fast in 1683, have fallen to an immigration jihad.)

Western Europe has gone from a Muslim population of 250,000, 50 years ago, to 20 million today. With 5-6 million Muslims, 10% of the French population follows the Koran (not exactly a multiculturalist manual). There are 3 million Muslims in Germany, 2 million in Britain, a million each in Italy and the Netherlands, and half-a-million each in Spain and Austria.

There are few nominal Muslims (sadly). Most are quite serious about Islam (even sadder). European Muslims have large families – subsidized by the very generous welfare benefits of states in which they reside. I saw this in Brussels last year; where streets of the city center were crowded with women in head scarves pushing strollers with two and three toddlers.

The coming cataclysm can be glimpsed in rioting last November, in Clichy-sous-Bois and other Parisian suburbs, where second and third-generation never-to-be-assimilated immigrants fire-bombed cars, attacked churches and synagogues and battled police.

The Europeans have chosen a very distinctive form of suicide. Call it Islamicide. Homophobia? Wait till the continent is governed by Islamic law.

The book Europe's intelligentsia has rejected holds the key. In it, God says to Israel: "I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing. Therefore choose life, that both you and your seed may live."

The Europeans have made their choice. They've made it in their embrace of homosexuality, in their unconscious decision not to have descendants and in opening the floodgates to immigration from the Muslim world.

In 50 to 100 years, the Europe of Shakespeare and Victor Hugo, the Europe of Rembrandt and Bach, the Europe of Churchill and Karol Wojtyla will exist only in textbooks and museums.

Or, perhaps the remnants of Christian Europe will be subjected to the fate of Afghanistan's Buddhist statues, demolished by the Taliban regime.

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