For him, through him, by him......

Marriage definition "the legal union of a man with a woman, religious ceremony that sanctions the decision of a man and a woman, to live as husband and wife. This is clearly seen both in religious context being the bible and, in our dictionary, and has defined us since the beginning of time.

Marriage has and will always remain sacred and a bond between a man and woman. So why are we even considering redefining this sacred and powerful union, with the thought of changing and allowing same sex couples to marry. I feel that this is a very important question that needs to be addressed. I believe that the people that are looking to be married as same sex couples, if they really loved God and give their lives to him, then they would never even out of respect and glory for him be asking such a thing. Same sex couples should not expect marriage to be redefined or changed, but instead change needs to begin within themselves, if they truly love God and wish to live with his blessing. This is the case with every human that God has created we all sin and continually fall short of his glory. No one said it would be easy living God's way in fact if it is easy then we are doing it wrong. We are the one's that need to change, and we all need God's help to do this. He is the only one who can save us, but we must live a life that is righteous and true to the bible.

We need not to succumb to the pressures and darkness of this world. We must stand firm in our religious beliefs and be united and stand with God. Don't be tempted to alter our identity by sacrificing our morals and beliefs to fit in with our everchanging world. It's either right or wrong there is no in between. In this instance same sex marriage is so wrong on many levels and if allowed the repercussions to follow will be enormous. Our world is changing all the time, for the better or for the worse some might argue, but for me the Bible continues, and I hope, and prayer will always represent our firm beliefs and convictions. Don't change the bible to suit our ever-changing generation or succumb to the pressure from people wanting to push the limits. I ask that you stand firm in the conviction of marriage and that it remains uniting of a man and a woman. If they wish to be united, then it needs to be done under different terms and not included in the doctrine defined as marriage.

We all live by standards and our morals, if as Christians we are seen to be changing these rules to suit our situation what message is this sending to non-believers and our very own children. Let us not let our religion along with our attributes, the very thing that defines us become so blurred we no longer know the difference between right or wrong.

This decision is simple, but we seem to be blinded again and again by the darkness. Let's keep our eyes wide open and keep heading towards our light "God". Always remembering where there is darkness the light is always what guides us. Let's keep our eyes on God being both gracious and humble excepting of people but always staying true to God's word.

Out of my love for our awesome God I encourage you and us all to stand firm and strong remembering always our Saviour Jesus Christ as he is indeed the reason.

Sometimes it is about more than what we are told but more about what we feel. I will always listen to my heart and I hope and prayer that you listen and follow yours.

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