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Gay Marriage There seem to be Specific time in history where certain issues define the culture tension in a society.

They become representative of large worldview and clearly emphasize the battle between divergent moral and spiritual perspectives. Homosexual marriage in the United States is one of these issues. In the past five years, there have been various threats and debates about the possibility of legalizing homosexual union. The issue took centre stage in February largely. The U.

S Senate quashes a proposed constitutional amendment to ban gays from marrying. President Bush and other same-sex marriage opponents say they will try again. Most of Americans are against same-sex marriage because how the nation would change if gay were allowed to marry. Gay marriage could affects on American society in many different ways. 1.

Polygamy. 2. Federal spending. 3. Religious speech. 4. Children. 5.

Civil Rights. First, it is more likely to lead to polygamy. For instance, says legalizing same-sex marriage will open the floodgates to polygamy. The more government moves towards sanctioning homosexual relationships, the less right it has to prevent plural marriage.

The idea that same-sex marriage could lead to polygamy is “ Not beyond the bounds of reality, although incredibly unlikely,” said Michael Allen who teaches constitutional law at Stetson university college of law in Gulf port. We do not see that is as a realistic view. For instance, it is highly doubtful that solemnizing the union of accepting adults, equal in power in their

relationships, would lead to acceptance of polygamous unions, which have, throughout most of history in those societies that have accepted them. “ If one man can marry another man, you need to ask then, what is it that you are doing by prohibiting one man from marrying two women?” “ What’s the evil that you are trying to prevent?” “ If same sex marriage is legalized there is no natural stopping point in redefining what is or is not acceptable.” It would take much longer to legalize polygamy than gay marriage because it is more socially taboo.

“ That is the reason that polygamists would get away with trying to take credit on same sex marriage (Attorney John Bucher). Second, gay marriage will affect on the Federal Spending. According to news reports, the costs of same sex marriage, he referred to on August 2003 report from the nonpartisan congressional budget office that said the federal government would have to spend about \$ 1. 4- billion during 10 years to extend benefits to domestic partners and retirees. The budget study for the possible impact of same sex marriage that the office crunched numbers from census figures and other reports to estimate income taxes, Social Security, health care benefits and other federal programs such as Medicaid, Medicare, and food stamps. The government would pay more benefits in areas such as social security.

Third, gay marriage is against “ Religious Speech”. Some religious leaders think it could become more difficult legally to lecture against homosexuality if the nation were to support same sex marriage as a fundamental right. The argument has spread, reaching Christian television shows and church pulpits. Major religious organizations have issued warnings, including

concerned women for America, focus on the family and the liberty counsel, and Orlando based group that has become a national leader in the fight against same- sex marriage. “ A woman who married her lesbian partner in Massachusetts was banned from teaching in the church of Christ, Scientist after she refused to “ repent” for her actions.

” A church letter sent to Kathleen Clementson said she had abused her role as a teacher and could teach spiritual healing again only if she repented and served a three- years probation. “ I don’t feel I have anything to repent for more than anyone else,” she told The News Press of Fort Myers. Christian Scientists consider prayer as the primary source of mental and physical healing, and clementson was a well- known church practitioner and lecturer. For 10 years, she taught two classes on spiritual healing that is the first step toward being a church practitioner. The church’s letter to clementson also said that her former students are now considered to have had no primary instruction, and they can no longer present their practitioner services in the Christian Science Journal, or take annual refresher courses. Few people will be seriously affected by the board’s decision, clementson said. Forth, gay marriage affects on children. Among the most highly debated issues surrounding gay marriage is parenting how are families and kids who live in same sex households affected? The scientific evidence is clear, it says.

Research during the past three decades says that children raised by gay parents were more likely to consider homosexual relationships. Still, the majority of all children identify themselves as heterosexuals, the sociologists noted. Children of gay parents were more likely to play with toys outside of

their rationale gender roles and were less constrained by gender in their dress and their goals.

For instance, girls raised by lesbians were more likely to be lawyers, doctors and astronauts. They were also more a “sexually adventurous”. Boys raised by lesbians, on the other hand, were chaster than their peers were in heterosexual household.

People who are against same sex marriage have also embraced their findings, holding them up as proof that gay parenting is not ideal for children. Articles on websites for the family research council and concerned women for America refer to the study. Concerned women’s LaRue said other studies have concluded that homes with mothers and fathers are best.

Finally, gays claim that they have to have their civil rights. “The idea that same sex marriage is a civil rights issue, similar to African Americans gaining the right to sit at lunch counters and to vote, is highly debatable among those for and against legalizing gay marriage”.

“To call this civil rights issue is untruthful and it also demeans the civil rights struggle of African Americans,” said LaRue of concerned women for America.

“She said race is an “undeniable point” that can’t be changed”. She believes that homosexual marriage can be converted. John Lewis, D-Ga; who marched alongside Martin Luther King Jr, said the proposed Marriage protection Act was a step backward in civil rights. “Those of us who came through the civil rights movement saw the federal courts as a sympathetic referee. If it had not been for the federal courts, where would we be? If it had not been for the supreme court of 1954, there would still be legalized

segregation in America to vote for this legislation would be like members of congress trying to stand in the courthouse door, just like Government.

Wallace stood in the schoolhouse door to stop the integration of Alabama schools today it is gay marriage, tomorrow it will be something else”.

In conclusion, it seems that the basic problem facing the problem is the limits between a right and privilege. The problem with an issue like marriage is that it is neither a right nor a privilege. In its simplest form a marriage is a union between consenting souls to share assets, responsibility, and form a “Unit”. We have the right to life, liberty, and a pursuit of happiness, we do not; but it is a system that not only works well but has also been established as our system of laws. So the idea about gay marriage should be banned.