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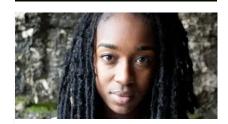
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At this point, let's not deceive ourselves into thinking that Andy Stanley's churches are populated by regenerate, bible-beliving Christians. In 2016, after Andy Stanley's derisive comments about small churches stirred up controversy, I published an open letter at this website urging whatever believers were left at North Point ministries to leave. In 2017, I published a scathing review of Stanley's book Deep and Wide: Creating Churches Unchurched People Love to Attend. You see, I figured out Andy Stanley was a wolf in shepherd's clothing years ago. It's not hard to see, he's wearing a really poor disguise. That's why I wasn't at all shocked when a video of Andy Stanley bragging on homosexuals who wanted to volunteer at church made the rounds on Twitter.

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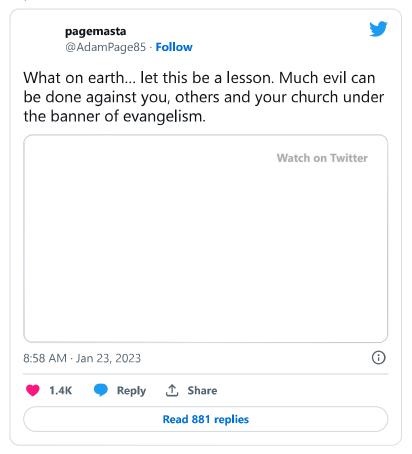
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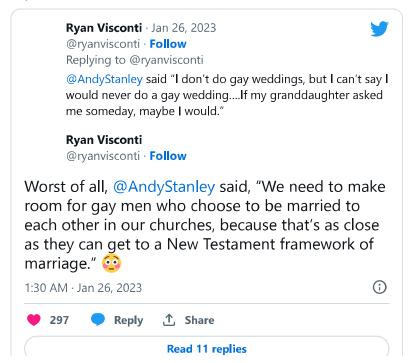
I already knew Stanley's churches had homosexual volunteers because I remember when Gracie met Truthy. I've heard horror stories about Stanley's Woodstock City Church from my friend, an FCA missionary in Cherokee County, who evangelizes the teenagers who attend there. Yet even I didn't know how far Andy Stanley had turned from a biblical ethic on sexuality until I saw a thread from a concerned pastor in Arizona, Ryan Visconti, that was shared yesterday:



According to Visconti's eye-witness report (which has been corroborated by another eye witness), Stanley has been open to the possibility of performing a gay wedding since 2019.



He even argued that churches should "make room" for "married" gay men since it was "as close as they can get to a New Testament framework of marriage."



It's no secret that Andy Stanley has "unhitched from the Old Testament" but just think about how far Andy Stanley has drifted from any biblical mooring. God made woman for man in the Genesis account. That men and women belong together in marriage is fundamental to a biblical anthropology. Andy Stanley sees committed sodomy as a sufficient substitution in the body of Christ for Christian marriage.

Unlike overtly liberal churches, Stanley's church claims to accept the Bible as God's inerrant word. That he claims to believe the Bible is precisely what makes him so dangerous. He pretends to believe. North Point Ministries should be viewed along the same lines as the Watchtower and the Latter Day Saints. Andy Stanley is a wicked man, leading a "church" full sinners straight to Hell.

I anathematize Andy Stanley. I anathematize those would accept him as their pastor. I anathematize those who still hold him up as a church leadership guru.

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"Obey God and Leave the Consequences to Him" Charles Stanley

There is probably no greater insult the child of a revered parent can recieve than "The apple has fallen far from the tree.". As someone born in the early 1980s, I can think of no preacher more revered than Charles Stanley. For decades, Charles Stanley was the senior pastor of the First Baptist Church of Atlanta. His preaching ministry was ubiquitous. In the days before the internet and podcasts, Stanley's messages were broadcast worldwide over the airwaves, both radio and television. In contrast to the charismatic prosperity pimp televangelists who also rose to prominence in those days, Charles Stanley presented practical messages grounded in scripture. Charles Stanley was not one to tickle ears. Time and time again, Stanley would

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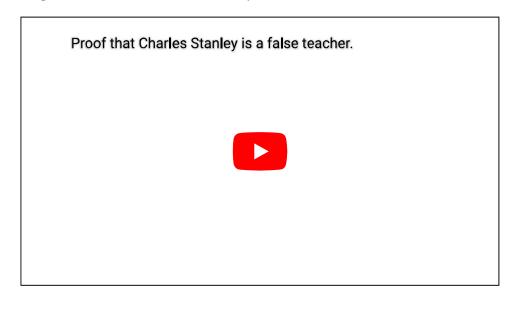
Andy Stanley preaches a sermon.

Prior to founding North Point Community Church, Andy was the Associate Pastor and Minister to Students at First Baptist Church in Atlanta. Stanley left First Baptist Atlanta after a sharp disagreement with his father. Since leaving and founding his own churh, Andy Stanley's influence has grown to be even greater than that of his father. There was a time of estrangement between the two but that time has long been over. Unfortunately, rather than rebuking the unbiblical and downright heretical methods of his son, the elder Stanley has chosen to endorse Andy. For example, Charles Stanley endorsed Andy's book *Deep and Wide*, along the well-known evangelical scoundrels Rick Warren, Bill Hybels, Craig Groeschel, Steven Furtick, Perry Noble, and Louie Giglio. Time after time, Charles Stanley has chosen to be supportive of Andy. Charles Stanley gave Andy his respected name as well a start in vocational ministry at First Baptist Atlanta. Frankly, Charles Stanley unleashed on the visible church at large one of the most dangerous heretics of modern times. Despite his position of influence, Charles has done nothing to warn the world about Andy. Sadly, he's done quite the opposite.

So, while it would seem that the apple has fallen far from the tree regarding the younger Stanley, the truth is they are thick as theives. Charles Stanley held onto his pastorate after a bitter divorce, refusing to step down. Andy



If you check out this short video from Jordan Riley, you might not be so surprised at the direction of Stanley's son:



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Church of England votes in favour of blessings for same-sex unions

Passing of motion at General Synod represents profound shift in church's stance on homosexuality



The archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell (left), and the archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, at the General Synod on Thursday. Photograph: James Manning/PA

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Church of England priests will be permitted to bless the civil marriages of same-sex couples in a profound shift in the church's stance on homosexuality after a historic vote by its governing body.

The first blessings for gay couples could happen this summer. Individual churches will be encouraged to state clearly whether they will offer blessings to avoid confusion and disappointment.

After an impassioned debate lasting more than eight hours, the C of E's national assembly, the General Synod, voted by 250 votes to 181 to back a proposal by bishops intended to end years of painful divisions and disagreement over sexuality.

But emotionally charged speeches from those advocating full equality for LGBTQ+ Christians and those arguing that traditional biblical teaching on marriage and sex must be upheld signalled that the debate is set to continue.

The synod also agreed that the church will apologise for the harm it has caused to LGBTQ+ people. It welcomed a forthcoming review of a ban on clergy entering into same-sex civil marriages and a celibacy rule for clergy

Justin Welby, the archbishop of Canterbury, and Stephen Cottrell, the archbishop of York, said they hoped the decision marked a "new beginning" for the C of E, saying: "It has been a long road to get us to this point."

The archbishops said: "For the first time, the C of E will publicly, unreservedly and joyfully welcome same-sex couples in church.

"The church continues to have deep differences on these questions which go to the heart of our human identity. As archbishops, we are committed to respecting the conscience of those for whom this goes too far and to ensure that they have all the reassurances they need in order to maintain the unity of the church as this conversation continues."

Sarah Mullally, the bishop of London, who led the debate, said: "This is a moment of hope for the church." But, she added, "I know that what we have proposed as a way forward does not go nearly far enough for many, but too far for others".

Steven Croft, the bishop of Oxford, who supports marriage equality, said the vote was a "significant and historic step". He said: "Same-sex couples will become much more visible and their relationships will be celebrated publicly and that, I think, will continue to change attitudes within the life of the church."

The amendment on marriage doctrine was "important to give some reassurance to those who are more conservative", he said, but it would not stop the church "returning to this question [of same-sex marriage]" in the future.

Gay rights campaigners were frustrated that their demand that a proposal for marriage equality be put before the synod within two years was rejected by 52% to 45%.

Jayne Ozanne, a leading advocate for LGBTQ+ equality in the C of E, said allowing blessings for same-sex couples was a "tiny step forward". She added: "I am deeply disappointed by the way the conservatives have consistently sought to undermine those of us who sought to move towards a church that could embrace a plurality of views on sexuality."

Nigel Pietroni, the chair of the Campaign for Equal Marriage in the C of E, said the decision "falls short of what we ultimately believe is the only outcome for radical inclusion – equal marriage for all people", but it was "a small step forward".

The gay rights campaigner Peter Tatchell said: "The offer of blessings to same-sex partners is an insult. Every heterosexual man and woman in England has the right to marry in their parish church - but not LGBTQ+ couples. That's discrimination and discrimination is not a Christian value."