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Christian Institute in cooperation with Humanists and The Peter Tatchell Foundation, a pro-sodomite anti-Christian organisation

There is one particularly unalterable law laid down by the Lord as to how His TRUTH is to be defended and His CAUSE maintained.

It is expounded for us by Zerubbabel and Jeshua, the Jewish leaders in charge of the rebuilding of the temple, in response to the suggestion by "the adversaries of Judah and Benjamin" that they would join in and help in the labour of rebuilding God's house.

"Now when the adversaries of Judah and Benjamin heard that the children of the captivity builded the temple unto the LORD God of Israel; then they came to Zerubbabel, and to the chief of the fathers, and said unto them, Let us build with you: for we seek your God, as ye do; and we do sacrifice unto him since the days of Esarhaddon king of Assur, which brought us up hither. But Zerubbabel, and Jeshua, and the rest of the chief of the fathers of Israel, said unto them, Ye have nothing to do with us to build an house unto our God; but we ourselves together will build unto the LORD God of Israel, as king Cyrus the king of Persia hath commanded us. Then the people of the land weakened the hands of the people of Judah, and troubled them in building, and hired counsellors against them, to frustrate their purpose, all the days of Cyrus king of Persia, even until the reign of Darius king of Persia," Ezra 4:1-5.

These "adversaries" claimed common cause with the Jews but that was a lie. It was a lie which very soon came to light when Zerubbabel and Jeshua rejected their offer. The true nature of these people was then seen. "Then the people of the land weakened the hands of the people of Judah, and troubled them in building, And hired counsellors against them, to frustrate their purpose."

Forfeit

The Humanists and the Peter Tatchells of this world may, when it suits their reprehensible schemes, profess common cause with the people of God, but if Christians join with them then they will forfeit the help and the blessing of Him Who has commanded us: "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty," 2 Corinthians 6:14-18.

The freedom that Peter Tatchell etc desires is to silence utterly the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ!

Foolish

The Christian Institute has acted most foolishly in yoking themselves together with a number of godless organisations, earlier this year, in order to oppose the Government's plan to issue "EDOs" or "Extreme Disruption Orders." The motto of "The National Secular Society" might well be - "Give Us Godless Government!" That is what they want. As for Peter Tatchell, he desires freedom of speech only to oppose all that the Bible teaches!

Below is a scan of some of the list of supporters of "Defend Free Speech" campaign which may be seen on **their website**.

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These "EDOs" were initially intended to combat extreme Islamists, but they will reach much further as was indicated by the Chancellor, George Osborne. He said Extremism Disruption Orders will go "beyond terrorism" and "eliminate extremism in all its forms".

That is ominous indeed in the light of recent arrests and prosecutions of open-air preachers who dared pronounce God's Word against sodomy!

An article in the "Guardian" newspaper back in September 30th, 2014 said:

"So what would an "extremism disruption order" involve?

The police will be able to apply to the high court for an order to restrict the "harmful activities" of an extremist individual. The definition of harmful is to include a risk of public disorder or even a risk of harassment, alarm or distress or the vague-sounding "threat to the functioning of democracy". These are very low thresholds. The restrictions would include a ban on broadcasting and a requirement to submit to the police in advance any proposed publication on the web, social media or in print. Taking part in public protests or speaking at any public event would also be banned. It is no wonder the Liberal Democrats blocked the plan's immediate introduction on free speech grounds."

History

The Christian who knows his history will be aware that unregenerate men have always considered the "Gospel" to be an expression of "extremism". If the gospel has enjoyed times of freedom it was only by the Lord restraining the natural inclinations of the human heart and raising up friends and supporters for it within the nation. At no time was this better illustrated than in the time of the "Reformation" in this United Kingdom.

Natural man's view of the gospel is clearly seen in the reactions Paul and the other apostles met when they went about preaching the "good news" of God's salvation. That which was ordained of God to bless the nations of the earth by opening their eyes, and turning them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in Christ, (Acts 26:18) were treated as "the filth of the world, and are the offscouring of all things," 1 Corinthians 4:13.

The record of the abuse suffered by Whitefield, the Wesleys and the army of godly evangelists which laboured in the "Great Awakening" of the 18th century is proof of this attitude prevailing in more recent history.

But even more recently, we have seen all manner of opposition mounted against those who hold to their Christian views and dare to try and live by them in modern Britain. The article, "The increasing animosity to the gospel in the United Kingdom" mounted on this site illustrates what we are saying.

For the "Christian Institute" to cooperate with those organisations with which they have aligned themselves in the "Defend Freedom of Speech" campaign is for that organisation to ignore the lessons of history, but even more importantly, to defy the teachings of God's Word.

Needless to say, no good will come from such folly and those who subscribe to the "Christian Institute" would need to consider just what it is they are giving their money to support.

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