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UK Metropolitan Police Commissioner Sir Paul Stephenson has <u>criticized</u> North Wales and East London Police after the colours of the gay pride movement were raised outside their stations to express support for Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual History Month. The flag hoisting sparked controversy after MPs labelled the move as 'political tokenism' and 'political correctness gone mad', and questioned why any minority group should be given preferential treatment

by the police. The flags were later removed after Sir Paul Stephenson reminded the force that the only colours that should be on display outside UK Police stations are those of the Metropolitan Police Service and the Union Jack. Tower Hamlets Police issued a statement regarding the incident...

Quote: ""It would appear someone, albeit with good intentions, decided to fly the rainbow flag over a police building in support of LGBT history month. "All staff have been reminded of our policy and any flags other than Union or MPS flag will be replaced. The MPS is supporting LGBT history month this year through a number of events and activities aimed at encouraging victims of hate crime to report incidents to police, and to celebrate the contribution made by LGBT people in the Met. "As part of our activities officers will be attending LGBT venues to encourage people who may suffer or witness hate crime to come forward; holding seminars on safety issues for people in the LGBT community; promoting our LGBT liaison officers for victims to approach as well as participating in other educational and cultural events."

It is of course unthinkable that a Union Jack should be lowered at a police station and a gay pride rag raised in its place without the chief constable knowing anything about it. And whether or not they had 'good intentions' in doing so remains to be seen. Last year a Christian police officer who objected to being bombarded at work with emails and posters in support of the homosexual movement was sacked for misconduct after standing up for his beliefs. In 2006 Police Constable Cogman received emails from gay liaison officers urging the force to wear pink ribbons on their uniforms in support of Gay History Month. He responded to the emails with quotations from the Scriptures suggesting that homosexual sex was a sinful act. As a result he was banned from using the internal messaging system for failing to show 'respect and tolerance' to fellow colleagues. The following year he received more emails urging staff to wear rainbow ribbons in support of Gay History Month. This time he responded by saying that the use of the rainbow was 'inappropriate, thoughtless and insensitive' as it was intended by God to be a sign of His faithfulness. He also sent a five page document to an officer that contained paragraphs criticizing homosexuality, and was accused of victimising another by saying, "Love the sinner, hate the sin"

. He was docked 13 days pay. Last April he emailed colleagues details of an American Christian organization which offers to help people overcome homosexual tendencies, and as a result of that and breaching his ban on the use of the internal messaging system, Cogman lost his job.

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Quote: "Speaking about his treatment earlier this year, Mr Cogman said: 'The blatant support for homosexual rights in Norfolk police makes being a Christian officer extremely difficult. 'I have to make a stand when things become so blatantly biased against me just because I hold a faith.'

It definitely seems that if you are Christian police officer in Britain today, you have your work cut out for you. And this is what Americans have to look forward to. For President <u>Barack Obama</u> has pledged to support gay rights and to criminalize discrimination on sexual orientation - or in this case just the criticism of homosexuality itself. Two years ago the Labour government forced the Sexual Orientation Regulations bill through parliament. Northern Ireland, the most conservative state in the United Kingdom, was the

test case

and became the first part of the country to receive the new laws. Thankfully the most damaging part of that legislation was later

thrown out

by a Northern Ireland Judge, who ruled that a person could not be sued for expressing their opposition to homosexual practice on moral or religious grounds. But there is an effort to undermine

Christian influence in this country and the homosexual agenda forms part of that effort. Why the public display of the gay pride flag outside the police station? Perhaps because 'pride' seems to be part and parcel of the sin of homosexuality itself. The homosexual movement won't stop at tolerance. They demand acceptance by every other group. And in this case that meant flying their flag for all to see. Good intentions? You've got to be kidding.

Isaiah 3:9

The shew of their countenance doth witness against them; and they declare their sin as Sodom, they hide it not. Woe unto their soul! for they have rewarded evil unto themselves.

Of course the real person behind the homosexual movement, and indeed all types of sin, is Satan himself. From the very beginning he has sought to destroy God's creation, and has tried to achieve that through various means. He tempted Adam and Eve to eat of the forbidden fruit, knowing full well their disobedience to God's laws would bring swift judgement upon them, as he himself had previously experienced. He tempted the first man born to commit murder. And throughout history he has sought to destroy God's plan of redemption for fallen man. That plan of redemption was manifested in the Person of Jesus Christ. He is the Redeemer. Through His atoning sacrifice on the cross of Calvary, He was able to give God an answer for man's sin, and bring man back into relationship with God. Jesus said that all manner of sins shall be forgiven men, and that includes homosexuality. But you must come to Him in repentance in order to receive forgiveness. "The Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins", Matthew 9:6. Turn to Him for salvation today.

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Matthew 11:28

Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

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