John Reaney, a homosexual "Christian", has won a landmark case again the Church of England over claims he was unfairly discriminated against due to his sexuality. It is the first test case for the anti-discrimination legislation, called the Employment Equality Regulations, which were brought into force by the Labour government in 2003. Reaney had applied for the job of a diocesan youth officer in county Hereford, and was approved for the post by a panel which included two vicars, a National Youth advisor and Chairman of the diocesan education board. But when he was later questioned by Bishop Priddis on his promiscuous lifestyle, and his application subsequently turned down, Mr Reaney decided to take the Church of England to court for discrimination.

Quote: *"Mr Reaney, from Colwyn Bay, North Wales, hailed the ruling as a significant victory in equality for gay and lesbian Christians. He said: "I'm delighted that the Bishop of Hereford has lost this case. "It demonstrates to many lesbian and gay Christians working for God within the Church of England that they are entitled to fair and respectful treatment." A hearing has yet to be arranged to set his compensation. There is no upper limit on payouts.*

In reality, it demonstrates the depth of depravity that this nation has fallen to, and in particular the spiritual condition of the "Church" in this country. Not only has the government legalized sin and is now enforcing its acceptance on those who would naturally repudiate such a lifestyle, but those claiming to know the Scriptures are prepared to "go to law" with their brother in order to have their sins sanctioned by the Church (1st Corinthians 6:1). Have we forgotten what the Lord said, "Be ye holy for I am holy ", 1st Peter 1:16? And again, "let everyone that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity ", 2nd Timothy 2:19. According to the Scriptures, every true believer in Christ is a priest unto God (1st Peter 2:9). Our bodies are to be presented as a living sacrifice, holy, and acceptable to God (Romans 12:1). In the book of Revelation, the Church of Pergamos was upbraided by the Lord for turning a blind eye to those in its fellowship who held to the doctrine of Balaam. Balaam attempted to defeat the nation of Israel by corrupting it through idolatry and sexual sins. The Lord's warning to Pergamos applies just as much today as it did 2000 years ago, "Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth ", Revelation 2:16.

1st Peter 2:9-10
But ye [are] a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light: Which in time past [were] not a people, but [are] now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

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