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Like easy divorce, abortion on demand, and “free” health care, homosexual “marriage” is just another, albeit profoundly radical step toward the libertine Garden of Eden.

Thus it was no surprise to see the liberal media enthusiastically applaud the Supreme Court’s ruling (5-4) on June 26 making gay “marriage” a civil right, and watch the same news outlets condemn conservative criticism of the ruling as bigoted or racist.

The treacly accolades and in-your-face cheerleading by the leftist news media for same-sex marriage were offensive, and thoroughly documented and exposed by the Media Research Center.

All of our divisions were analyzing the bias and reporting on it – NewsBusters, MRC Culture, MRC Business, MRCTV, CNSNews.com, MRC Latino, the News Analysis Division, press releases, Twitter, Facebook, and through interviews of our expert staff on talk radio and on television.

The liberal media are still giddy over the radical victory because it means if homosexuals can marry and adopt children (or create their own through surrogates) with the blessing of the government and the Supreme Court, then there are no moral limits anymore.

In his dissent, Justice Samuel Alito said gay “marriage” would “be used to vilify Americans who are unwilling to assent to the new orthodoxy,” and if they express their traditional views in public, they “risk being labeled as bigots and treated as such by governments, employers, and schools.”

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CNN’s Chris Cuomo advised conservative Rep. Steve King that gay-marriage critics were like “people who voted to keep blacks and whites from marrying together.”

PennLive.com’s Editorial Editor John L. Micek rubs the gay marriage ruling in reader’s faces and plays the victim card, claiming the ruling is “another step toward the ideal of equality envisioned by [America’s] founders.”

CNN’s Wolf Blitzer also couldn’t contain his glee, marveling at Obama’s “amazing week.” PBS’s Charlie Rose kept the beat, crowing about Obama’s “best week,” and Bloomberg’s Al Hunt joyfully exclaimed that Obama had reached his goal of becoming a “transformative president, like Reagan.”

When Cruz argued that following the Constitution was not “discriminating against anyone” and reminded the audience that a majority of California’s citizens, particularly blacks and Latinos, voted for Prop 8 (against gay marriage), Ramos soon changed the subject.

The liberal media don’t like to talk about facts that undercut their narrative. Now that gay “marriage” is legal, they want to move on and increasingly smear conservatives as bigoted, homophobic, and Bible-clinging religious wackos. Media assaults on conservatives will only escalate.

The MRC is documenting and exposing those vicious attacks very day, keeping the public informed about the destructive effect of liberal media bias.

You can help us fight the leftist media by making a donation to the MRC today. Large or small, your financial gift has an impact. Call us today at 571-267-3500. We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

Sincerely,

L. Brent Bozell III
Founder and President
In what was a vulgar and undeniable case of outright liberal media hatred, the Associated Press ran photos showing a large gun pointed at the head of conservative Senator Ted Cruz — images taken while Cruz, a strong 2nd Amendment defender, was speaking at a gun range in Iowa in late June.

Dozens of pictures were available but they chose one. The AP circulated the shocking photo through its worldwide news service three days after the horrific shooting of eight black Christians in Charleston, S.C.

Holding the liberal AP accountable, MRC President Brent Bozell strongly condemned the news service in a statement, saying, “This is disgusting. Just days after a horrific shooting that took nine lives, the AP has the gall to unapologetically display a gun aimed at the head of a presidential candidate. They would never do this to Hillary Clinton or Barack Obama. Nor should they.”

Bozell also demanded that the AP apologize for the “deliberate decision” to put out the Cruz-gun photo. “The AP is lying,” he said. “This was not an accident. They made a deliberate decision to publish the photo. The AP owes Senator Cruz, his wife Heidi, and his children an immediate and unqualified apology.”

“Furthermore, I am calling on the AP to conduct a complete investigation of everyone involved in the publishing of the photo and to fire those who ultimately made the decision to publish the photo,” said Bozell.

Two days later, even though the news service had absurdly claimed the “images were not intended to portray Sen. Cruz in a negative light,” the AP decided to pull the photos from circulation.

This is the same AP that decided not to run any images of the Muhammed cartoons, even the most banal ones, in the wake of the Islamist attacks on Charlie Hebdo in France.

Commenting on the scandal on the Mark Levin Show, Senator Cruz said, “There’s no doubt that if they had run the same photo and it had been Hillary Clinton or Barack Obama, then the entire world would have recoiled in horror, and the editor who made the decision to run it would very likely have been fired, and there would have been a public apology.”

“Instead, this has been business as usual,” said Cruz. “As you know, the mainstream media — they are not objective reporters. They are hard-core leftists and partisans; they are Barack Obama’s most important Praetorian Guard, and no one is more ready for Hillary than the mainstream media.”

“You know, I’ve kind of enjoyed some of the contrasts of all the AP photos of Barack Obama with a halo of light behind his head versus me with a giant gun pointed between my eyes, because that sums up their views of you and me and conservatives and, frankly, of Americans,” said the senator.
Bias Facts

A new survey shows that 70 percent of Americans believe the news media report with intentional bias. The May 2015 survey, done by the First Amendment Center and the liberal USA Today, found that only 24 percent of American adults agree that “overall, the news media tries [sic.] to report without bias,” while 70 percent disagree. That 24 percent is a record low; last year, 41 percent said the news tried to report without bias, a 17-point difference.

Commenting in USA Today, First Amendment Center President Ken Paulson said, “Those are discouraging results for those of us who have spent our careers in journalism.” Paulson, apparently blind to liberal media bias, also incredulously claimed, “In 23 years in newsrooms, I saw consistent and concerted efforts to get stories right. Clearly, the public’s not convinced.” Clearly, the public has a sharper eye than Paulson.

‘Conservative’ Hillary

In his ongoing mission to paint left-wing Hillary Clinton as a centrist, and obscure her true radicalism from the public, MSNBC’s Chris Matthews went so far as to claim Clinton is really “a conservative” politician. On the July 1 Hardball, the liberal Matthews set up his canvas by describing socialist Sen. Bernie Sanders as someone with “a 60s message, anti-war.” Then Matthews claimed that “Hillary Clinton [is] more of a conservative in a sense of more of a traditional politician from the center, center.”

Matthews was echoing the political image he cast back in May when he said of Clinton, “If Hillary Clinton is a lefty, I don’t know it, okay? She’s not a lefty. She is a centrist politician, a Democratic, a mainstream Democrat.”

Matthews doesn’t understand that a mainstream Democrat is a lefty.

Begala Hack

Long-time Clintonista and Democratic partisan Paul Begala, who also gets a paycheck as a CNN analyst, went straight to the State Department to get talking points on Hillary Clinton, which he then repeated for CNN’s Report Card segment. Released e-mails from then-Secretary of State Hillary Clinton reveal that Begala e-mailed Hillary aide Capricia Marshall for “a briefing on what HRC has accomplished in the first 100 days” in April 2009.

CNN’s Paul Begala used talking points in 2010 he requested directly from the State Department, then run by Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, to give her an “A+” grade.

Begala then turned around and raved about Clinton to CNN’s viewers, prattling about her traveling 70,000 miles “all the way around the world” and then giving her an A+. The e-mails show Begala later wrote, “I gave Sec. Clinton an A+ in our dopey CNN report card last night. So did Donna Brazile. The only two A+’s all night.”

Begala told the Washington Post this July he was just reporting facts about Clinton. But he wasn’t. He was broadcasting pro-Clinton talking points. There’s a reason they call it the Clinton News Network.
What Murder?

Although Donald Trump’s remarks about horrible crimes committed by not a few illegal immigrants sparked a much-needed national conversation, Washington Post scribbler Charles Lane claims “it’s not a real issue.” On Fox’s Special Report, July 9, Lane lectured, “I think it would be great for the Republican candidates to give conservatives issues. But they have to be real issues, okay? And the issue of crime by illegal aliens or legal immigrants is not a real issue.”

Lane harped on, “And I’ll tell you why. Because between the early ‘90s and now, when the United States crime rate was going like this, down, illegal immigration was going like this, up. The two are not causally connected. ... It’s simply not true that illegal immigration is causing a lot of crime in the United States.” Then, undercutting his entire point, the leftist Lane declared, “It doesn’t mean that you can’t find significantly gross numbers of illegal immigrants who are in jail because they’ve committed crimes.”

Mr. Lane, Donald Trump is calling.

Protecting Takei

Although gay activist and former Star Trek actor George Takei smeared Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas as “a clown in blackface” in a commentary for MSNBC, Washington Post writer Soraya Nadia McDonald never mentioned it in her remarks on Takei’s defense of the court’s ruling (5-4) in favor of homosexual marriage. McDonald censored Takei’s racist attacks in her 600-word article where she deceptively explained that Takei “refuted Thomas’s dissent with an account of his personal experience, having endured life in an internment camp as a child.”

Six-hundred words on Takei’s remarks but no mention of this:

“Thomas is a clown in blackface sitting on the Supreme Court. He gets me angry. He doesn’t belong there. ... This man does not belong on the Supreme Court. He is an embarrassment. He is a disgrace to America.”

Minibits

- NBC’s Lester Holt cheers Obamacare as “quite literally a lifesaver.”
- Extra reporter Jerry Penacolli interviews President Obama on socialized medicine, leading with, “You pretty much saved my finances and my life.”
- Rolling Stone’s Jeb Lund lectures that the Charleston church shooting “is political because American movement conservatism has already made these kinds of killings political.”
- MSNBC’s Michael Eric Dyson defends black-imposter Rachel Dolezal as one who “could be black in a cultural sense,” adding, “I bet a lot more black people would support Rachel Dolezal than would support, say, Clarence Thomas.”
- The Washington Post’s Annie Gowen tars conservative Gov. Bobby Jindal “as a man who has spent a lifetime distancing himself from his Indian roots.”
- Pope Francis backs the leftist climate change agenda and conservatives must now comply, charges Bloomberg’s John Heilemann, because “it’s insane to take on Pope Francis, not just because they might not get into Heaven, if there is such a thing, but because he is super popular and also because he’s right.”
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Unasked Questions in the LGBT Wars

For decades now, the liberal “news” media have demonstrated a dramatic tilt toward the gay agenda, beginning with their notion that there is no such thing as a “gay agenda.” But now as the Supreme Court mandated gay “marriage” on all 50 states the liberal world is celebrating the agenda it has been pushing for decades.

Television coverage has been the usual appalling agitprop, but in this case it was also a victory lap. News segments have been either unanimous in their “analysis” or, if “balance” is presented, stacked by about five to one. Simply put, a debate is not allowed, just as it is not allowed on global warming, gun rights, abortion and a host of other liberal imperatives. So much for free speech.

Former Good Morning America weather man Sam Champion is a gay activist on air and off, and he recently told CNN that this liberal bias is terrific. “I think TV always eases the path for change. I think what people watch in their homes, what they’re comfortable with in their homes leads the way for acceptance in this country.”

Champion and his champions are never, ever asked serious questions challenging their views. What kinds of questions are appropriate?

Enter Kevin DeYoung. Mr. DeYoung has taken to the Gospel Coalition website to pose over forty questions to Christians who consider themselves supporters of gay “marriage.” These are precisely the kinds of questions a disinterested press would ask if it were disinterested.

Gays have suggested — and now aggressively insist — that it’s not “Christian” to oppose the gay agenda. The secular media know nothing about Christianity, or if they do, they don’t really care to discuss it. Imagine them dropping these questions to a gay-Left advocate:

“How would you make a positive case from Scripture that sexual activity between two persons of the same sex is a blessing to be celebrated?”

Or: “Do you think Jesus would have been okay with homosexual behavior between consenting adults in a committed relationship? If so, why did he reassert the Genesis definition of marriage as being one man and one woman?”

Then there’s the fidelity question: “Is it a sin for LGBT persons to engage in sexual activity outside of marriage?” Gay rabble-rouser Dan Savage insists monogamy is for suckers. Why is he wrong?

DeYoung poses questions about the politics of this issue. Wouldn’t it be fascinating if one, just one reporter would ask:

“Do you think Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama were motivated by personal animus and bigotry when they, for almost all of their lives, defined marriage as a covenant relationship between one man and one woman?”

Or: “Do you think children do best with a mother and a father? If not, what research would you point to in support of that conclusion?”

Liberals have long mocked the idea that favoring the gay agenda would lead naturally and inevitably to going soft on polygamy, incest, and other sexual “liberations.” So why not ask these questions:

“Should marriage be limited to only two people?”

“On what basis, if any, would you prevent consenting adults of any relation and of any number from getting married? Do you think close family members should be allowed to get married?”

“Should there be an age requirement in this country for obtaining a marriage license?”

One way this sexual revolution advances is by never having to explain itself, and never looking fringy in any way to our media elites, even as they advance the fringes into the new “mainstream.”
The experts at the Media Research Center are interviewed almost every day on stories of national importance, often reaching millions of Americans daily. They provide analysis and commentary on radio, TV, the Internet, social media, in magazines, books, and in newspapers, always striving to help restore political balance to the major media. Some of the MRC’s latest media appearances include the following:

**Television**

C-SPAN: Washington Journal, July 4
FBN: Cavuto Coast to Coast, Jun. 9
Varney & Co., Jul. 6
FNC: Fox 411, Jun. 19
The Kelly File, Jun. 26, 29

NEWSMAX TV:
Prime w/J.D. Hayworth, Jun. 11 Jul. 8, 10
America’s Forum, Jul. 10, 13
Steve Malzberg Show, Jun. 15, 25, Jul. 7, 10

OneAmerica News Network:
The Daily Ledger, Jun. 11, 18, Jul. 2, 9
On Point, Jun. 15, 30

PBS:
NewsHour, Jul. 10
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**Radio**

Alan Colmes Show, July 2
Alan Nathan Show, Jun. 11, 18, 25, Jul. 2, 9
American Family Radio, Jun. 12, 16, 18, 29, Jul. 6, 9
CRN Digital Talk Radio, Jun. 30
The David Webb Show, Jun. 11
Jim Bohannon Show, Jul. 3
Phil Valentine Show, Jun. 9, 10, Jul. 7

POTUS politics (on Sirius XM), Jun. 23, 24, Jul. 7
Red Eye Radio, Jun. 12, 14, 25
Lars Larson Show, Jun. 23, Jul. 9
Rush Limbaugh Show, Jul. 1, 2, 8, 9,
Steve Malzberg Show, Jun. 9
Sean Hannity, Jul. 2
Steve Deace Show, Jun. 23
Watchdog on Wall Street, Jul. 10

USA Radio Network
KERV, Kerrville, TX, Jun. 10, 17, 24, Jul. 1, 8
KFAB, Omaha, NE, Jul. 1, 6
KIDO, Boise, ID, Jun. 17, Jul. 1
Kapk, Medford, OR, Jun. 12, 16, Jul. 1, 10
KNRS, Salt Lake City, UT, Jul. 9

KNTV, Houston, TX, Jun. 18, 23, 25, 30, Jul. 2, 7, 9
KPRZ San Diego, CA, Jun. 10, 17, 24, Jul. 1, 8
KVOR, Colorado Springs, CO, Jun. 18, 25, 26, July 3, 10
KWEL, Midland, TX, Jun. 8, 15, 22, 29, Jul. 6, 9

WENY, Corning, NY, Jun. 19, 24, Jul. 1, 8
PFNX, Fort Myers, FL, Jun. 25
WIBC, Indianapolis, IN, Jun. 9, 15, 29, Jul. 9

WJZ, Baltimore, MD, Jul. 9, 13
WNPR, Augusta, GA, Jun. 10, 17, 24, Jul. 1, 8

WROK, Aurora, IL, Jun. 8, 15, 22, 29, Jul. 6, 9

WTKF, Moorehead City, NC, Jun. 11, 18, 25, Jul. 2, 9
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**Internet & Twitter**

On Fox’s Varney & Co., MRC President Brent Bozell analyzes how the liberal media fawn over and applaud the Obama administration’s nuclear deal with the Islamic Republic of Iran.

On Fox Business Live, MRC President Brent Bozell exposes the double standard of the liberal media in attacking Donald Trump on immigration but censoring socialist Sen. Bernie Sanders’ comments that women fantasize about being raped.

**Print**

American Spectator, Jul. 9
Los Angeles Times, Jul. 6
Wall Street Journal, Jun. 18
Washington Post, Jun. 16, 19, 30, Jul. 1
Washington Times, Jul. 22, 28, Jul. 8
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**Twitter**

@afaactionert, 2K followers, Jun. 29
@connorcarroll, 7.1K followers, Jun. 12
@drudge_report, 787K followers, Jun. 30, Jul. 10, 13
@energybrief, 7.5K followers, Jun. 17, 24, Jul. 8
@fcnews, 18K followers, Jul. 1
@frcdc, 17.1K followers, Jun. 29
@kerpen, 14.7K followers, Jun. 24
@mattkewlis, 35.7K followers, Jun. 24, Jul. 8
@monicacrowley, 239K followers, Jul. 8
@mpesq, 5.5K followers, Jul. 8
@nomupdate, 9.4K followers, Jul. 2
@nro, 126K followers, Jul. 8
@replougiehmert, 46.6K followers, Jul. 8
@senjohnbarrasso, 20.3K followers, Jun. 24
@shannonbream, 133K followers, Jul. 6
@stevedeaceshow, 20.2K followers, Jun. 24
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MRC items are frequently posted on the popular Drudge Report, including a July 1 news report from CNSNews.com questioning how the national debt could be frozen at $18.1 trillion for 15 weeks straight.

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