



Bible teaches intolerance of gays

Although Mail Call letters are edited for length, style and accuracy, opinion columns apparently have the luxury of being printed regardless of accuracy. In his Oct. 6 column, Michael Schaub was repeatedly inaccurate as he tried to reconcile Christianity

and homosexuality. Perhaps a little study on his part would have revealed that in fact the Bible does preach intolerance of homosexuality. In Numbers 20:13, God tells his people, "If a man lies with another man as one lies with a woman, both have done what is detestable." It is in fact a sin to be homosexual. God cannot tolerate sin, and as

"imitators of God," Christians should not tolerate sin either. As Christians we are to "love our neighbors as ourselves" but still "have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them." God wants the best for his children, but cannot look upon sin. Schaub's quote of Bobby Griffith correctly assessed the problem. Bobby felt estranged from God be-

cause he had "chosen sin over righteousness." In his choice to pursue homosexuality, he chose to separate himself from God. Christianity is a religion of love. "God demonstrated his love for us, in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us." However, part of God's love for us includes his desire that we do his will. Bobby's mother was right

to pray for the conversion of the son. As Christians we should take the opportunity presented by "Coming Out" week to pray for spiritual awakening and conversion among homosexuals. "Coming Out" week shouldn't be about coming out of the closet, but coming out of sin.

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