

What's at Stake? DEFENDING MARRIAGE

the Perry v. Schwarzenegger trial

The present federal court challenge to Proposition 8 – the California marriage amendment enacted by more than 7 million voters – could do much more than just eliminate the right of Californians to define marriage in their state Constitution. If the court finds a federal “right” to same-sex “marriage,” it could lead to similar lawsuits challenging marriage laws in 45 other states that affirm marriage as the union between one man and one woman.”

What's Also at Stake?

- **THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS.** Should courts and government officials override the will of more than 7 million Californians and force same-sex “marriage” on the state – and potentially the nation – despite the expressed will of the people?
- **THE INSTITUTION OF MARRIAGE.** Will marriage be treated as nothing more than a legal arrangement, subject to constant reconfiguration to satisfy the whims of adults, without regard for the important interests of children and social stability?
- **RELIGIOUS LIBERTY.** May voters freely exercise their religious and moral beliefs in the political process, or will they be forced by intimidation and threats of violence to remain silent about their religious convictions? Should they face legal and financial consequences for simply wanting to abide by their sincerely held religious beliefs that marriage is the union between one man and one woman?

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

PRAY – for the outcome of this landmark case in California – and for the future of marriage in America. Encourage your small group or Bible study to lift marriage up in prayer this Sunday and join thousands of other believers in continuing to pray every day at 10:30 a.m. EST/ 7:30 a.m. PST until the decision in this case is handed down.

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