Seventh-day Adventist Pastor Larry Kirkpatrick posted a YouTube video titled "Potomac Ordains Female LGBTQ Advocate" on the "Larry the Guy from Michigan" channel on 3/18/24. The link is <u>https://youtu.be/TT_9Lbug2lM?si=PGC94J9ts8KJIar</u>.

Larry starts by saying, "It's is not with pleasure that I report that on March sixteen, twenty twentyfour, the Potomac Conference President, Charles Tapp, along with other conference officers with the complicity of the Columbia Union, ordained to the gospel ministry of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, female LGBT ally and advocate, Joanne Cortes." Larry believes, as do I, that anyone "present and laying hands on Sister Cortes at this service has violated their trust as an ordained minister" and he believes they should be dismissed from service

Larry notes that "the church has several times voted at the highest level of global representation in General Conference session not to permit the ordination of women to the gospel ministry." It has, in fact, been voted that way three times. He notes that these are acts of "rebellion." I'll say amen to that. This started with the practice of ordaining women as local church elders which is contrary to Bible doctrine.

"For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee: If any be blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children not accused of riot or unruly." Titus 1:5-6 from the King James Version (KJV).

Larry then posts a clip of Joanne preaching at the 2021 Society of Adventist Communicators meeting. She says, "God created each one of us with a desire to connect in order to build relationships so that we can discover God, who God is, through each other. You know, and each one of us which is beautiful is created in God's image, amen? Ha. And through each person we get to see a glimpse of who God is. Regardless of our background, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, our gender, language, religion, beliefs, sexual orientation, geography, culture and education. Through each one we get to see a glimpse of who God is."

Really? We get to see "who God is" in a person "regardless" their "gender" or "sexual orientation"? Here is something from someone inspired by God instead of by the Devil.

"It is reported commonly that there is fornication among you, and such fornication as is not so much as named among the Gentiles, that one should have his father's wife. And ye are puffed up, and have not rather mourned, that he that hath done this deed might be taken away from among you. For I verily, as absent in body, but present in spirit, have judged already, as though I were present, concerning him that hath so done this deed, In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, when ye are gathered together, and my spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus Christ, To deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus." 1 Corinthians 5:1-5 from the KJV.

Notice, in case you haven't already, how Joanne mixed in the stuff about gender and sexual orientation with things God has nothing against such as background, ethnicity, geography,

language, etc. The LGBTQ+ crowd would like you to believe that their sexual practices, condemned in the Bible, deserve the same status as discrimination on the basis of race.

At 2:11 Joanne says, "God intentionally made us different to reveal aspects of God's nature so we can experience and learn to appreciate the vastness of who God is." Really? God made people to be something He has condemned in His Holy Word so we can "learn to appreciate the vastness of who God is"?

"So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth." Genesis 1:27-28 from the KJV.

It's apparent that God made only two genders, male and female, and they were supposed to replenish the earth. Replenishing the earth only happens with a real man and a real woman.

"And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things. Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen. For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet." Romans 1:23-27 from the KJV.

I think that pretty much covers God's opinion on genders.

At 3:08 Joanne says we all have biases. She says these biases are apparent when we show "favoritism" that could have something to do with the opinion "that certain roles apply to a specific gender." Well, yes, God said some roles apply to a specific gender. If you need to, review the above verses again.

At 3:58 she says, "Now, don't get me wrong, alright? There are some traditions that are good but if there is a tradition that excludes or makes someone feel out of place and not welcome, guys, that tradition has to be set aside because people are more important. Guys, you gotta be more like Jesus and our church needs to be more like Jesus. You see Jesus values all people regardless of background, gender, sexuality, status and ethnicity, so much so that he was willing to leave heaven, the comfort of heaven, and set aside tradition. Right? Of being king to come to this earth in human form to die for you and me, and then rise again so everyone, all people, can have freedom and have eternal life."

Joanne apparently thinks that "all people" can have "eternal life" regardless of "sexuality." Thus far she's said nothing about repenting and abandoning sins and, in fact, she has lumped things like gender and sexuality together with things like status and ethnicity that aren't sins. It appears that

she thinks no sin will keep you out heaven even if not repented of and that God will overlook the sins that brought down fire and brimstone on Sodom and Gomorrah.

"Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city. For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie." Revelation 22:14-15.

It's apparent that those who persist in sin will definitely be excluded and made to feel out of place in heaven. It better for them to feel out of place here and correct their actions than wait until it's too late.

At 4:58 Joanne doesn't think persons of the LGBTQ+ crowd should have to let go of their sins before coming to church or being a part of church. There is nothing that should prevent an LGBTQ+ person from coming to church, singing the songs, etc., but if being a part of church means holding any type of church office or being a member of the church, then the answer is no; that should not be permitted. In fact, Mrs. Cortes who is speaking with the Serpent's tongue, has no Jesus given right to be an ordained minister and those who ordained her should be expelled from the gospel ministry.

Joanne laments the fact that some act like being gay is a contagious disease.

Take some time with *Patriarchs and Prophets* and see if being gay could be a contagious disease.

"At first there was little intercourse between the Israelites and their heathen neighbors, but after a time Midianitish women began to steal into the camp. Their appearance excited no alarm, and so quietly were their plans conducted that the attention of Moses was not called to the matter. It was the object of these women, in their association with the Hebrews, to seduce them into transgression of the law of God, to draw their attention to heathen rites and customs, and lead them into idolatry. Their motives were studiously concealed under the garb of friendship, so that they were not suspected, even by the guardians of the people." *Patriarchs and Prophets* page 454.

Notice the part about "women" (that would be gender) and "friendship." The question remains, is sin contagious?

"The rulers and the leading men were among the first to transgress, and so many of the people were guilty that the apostasy became national." *Patriarchs and Prophets* page 454.

So how did the Jesus, Joanne has been talking about, deal with the apostasy?

"God commanded that the leaders in this apostasy be put to death by the magistrates. This order was promptly obeyed." *Patriarchs and Prophets* page 455.

You don't think Jesus had anything to do with it?

"They forgot that the Angel of the covenant was their invisible leader, that, veiled by the cloudy pillar, the presence of Christ went before them, and that from Him Moses received all his directions." *Patriarchs and Prophets* page 396.

At 8:54 Joanne recommends that we "Be open to doing something different where you can meet different people and have different experiences." That's kind of like what happened with the Israelites and the Midianites.

This ordination was noticed by others. Another YouTube video related to this provides some more information. You can find the video at <u>https://youtu.be/29yZMp8f22U?si=EgyhhSq7lvLwwRj</u>. At the very first part of the video, Joanne's husband, Jose Cortes, Jr., appears just to her left participating in the ordination service. Jose is an Associate Director of the North American Division Ministerial Association. What are the chances that Jose isn't also an LGBTQ promoter? Behold your tithe dollars at work.

In the above video it's also shown that Joanne is a supporter of Seventh-day Adventist Kinship International which is an association for LGBTQ+ people pretending to be doing nothing wrong.

Maybe you should say something or even do something.

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