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## Same Sex Marriage and Adoption

### **Introduction**

It's argued that same sex marriages should have the ability to adopt children, share marriage benefits and should not face discrimination in any way. This paper aims to discuss this thesis statement.

### **Discussion**

Same sex marriages and adoption of children in same sex marriages is often a debated topic in the media and within some groups of British society. These couples should not fight to be viewed as a heterosexual couple is viewed. They should have the same privileges and acceptance that heterosexual couples enjoy. "Same sex should have the ability to adopt children, share marriage benefits, and should not face discrimination"(Gerstarmn, 47-50).

Adoption of children to same sex marriages is a topic that often discussed in the media and in today's society. These couples should not have to face an uphill battle fighting to get married and adopt children. These same sex couples should be allowed the choice of adoption. A same sex couple should not be forced to submit themselves to the judgmental discrimination of a closed minded society. "Opposing groups have expressed concerns for the children adopted into same sex marriages. They worry about the adverse influence these families would have on children" (Gerstarmn, 47-50).

For years British society only allowed opposite sex marriages. In the recent past this has changed. Some states have passed laws allowing same sex marriage. These laws have passed because of petitions, rallies, and debates. Yet “there are groups that continue to oppose same sex marriages based on their individual beliefs and opinions” (Coolidge, et al., 17-21).

Due to their nature, same sex couples do not have the ability to produce a child, yet these couples do have other options if they would like children. “These couples could consider adoption, sperm donation, and surrogacy. However, because of the discrimination they face and the laws of the land, sometimes these options are not available” (Chauncey, 4-6).

Another noticeable disadvantage that same sex couples have to deal with is that they are unable to share benefits such as married couples have. An example would be; if the State or company that they work for did not honour same sex marriages, this couple could not apply or have benefits. This would be a “form of discrimination by their employer because of their choice of lifestyle” (Chauncey, 4-6). Opposing groups argue that same sex couples should not be allowed these benefits for; they do not see these couples as a valid relationship. The advantages of allowing same sex couples to marry would include that one member of the couple could serve as the provider. The other could serve as the homemaker. These couples if not married could not receive death benefits and social security benefits which could cause personal and societal financial strains. “The living member would possibly have to rely on government assistance therefore straining the economy” (Blankenhorn, 32-34). Furthermore if this type of couple had children these children would be subject to the State laws “that might separate the children” and place them in foster homes because the living parent did not have marital custody”. They would just be a live-in friend in the eyes of the law and not a parent (Coolidge, et al., 17-21).

According to Gordon, et al., (21-24) “the issues that these types of couple endure are ones that are often brought out in the forefront of broadcaster news stories. A same sex couple would just want to be accepted in society so they can live the dream that says; we should live with liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Even if it means to allow for same sex marriages to adopt children and share benefits that heterosexual couples enjoy”. Opposing groups have their opinions. Some of the opinions may be valid yet this is an experiment that should be allowed for the benefits seem to outweigh the possible risks. Same sex couples should be accepted just as heterosexual couples are (Gordon, et al., 21-24).

This is totally essential in light of the fact that it is preposterous that guiltless children are constantly denied fundamental rights because of the sexual introduction of their guardian.

Demise is a terrible enough encounter; ought no one to not need to stress over their monetary standings with the administration in the wake of managing the passing of a friend or family member, in addition to, a child. Survivor benefits must incorporate homosexual unions not just since it denies homosexuals rights that are normally stood to hetero couples; but since the children of these connections are continuously victimised too(Gordon, et al., 21-24).

One of the biggest advantage of allowing the right of child adoption to homosexual couple is that many un-adopted children who don't have any parents or guardian can have parents and they can live in family instead of growing in the isolation of orphans, where despite all the comfort these children are very less likely to have the love and kindness of own parents like other children receive (Gerstmarmn, 47-50).

Besides, it is discovered in various studies that “homosexual couples don't usually have the benefit of adopting children to start a family of their own except little exception. However, they are frequently dismisses on account of their unmarried status”. Regardless of the possibility that

the administration does not wish to give some fiscal security to homosexual couples, it ought not to rebuff the children of such connections. The legislature specifically oppresses the children of homosexual marriages by not permitting them the same rights as children who have hetero folks. Children don't recognise who their guardians are paying little respect to your stance on the issue. The Human Rights Campaign has adopted the thought that, "any change should likewise characterise survivor to incorporate non-biotic children of gays and lesbians discovered in the altering western family" (Chauncey, 4-6).

### **Conclusion**

Same sex marriage has been controversial issues across the history and any further issues or challenges stemming from this idea are usually treated with biasness which is not a right approach. It's up to the collective wisdom of a society and law makers of any country to allow same sex marriages or not. However, if any society or law once accepts the reality of same sex marriage, any discriminations and depriving those same sex couples are basically negating the fundamentals of equity and dignity, thus this essay concludes in affirmation that same sex marriages should have the ability to adopt children, share marriage benefits and should not face discrimination in any way.

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