

## **“Coming Out!”**

This could be interesting - I asked the Lord what He would have me share this week and I felt He wanted me to more or less give a rant about me coming out, so buckle up - this will not be in any way politically correct, and I'm sure I will step on quite a few toes with this one, but here goes...

I think part of what triggered this was when I heard from a very reliable source that one of our local schools has a litter box available for a student who identifies as a cat! So...I am coming out, or “identifying” as a 100% male (or what's left of me at my age)! I'm coming out as a registered Republican, who identifies, as some would call it, a right wing conservative, one who is pro life and anti abortion.

I'm coming out as someone who believes that there are only two sexual identities - male and female, both created by God, and that marriage, according to the word of God, is strictly meant to be between one man and one woman. And, based on what the Bible says, I am coming out as one who respects ALL authority that is over me whether I happen to agree with them or not.

Furthermore, I identify as someone who strongly believes that rights are earned, not demanded, and then only when a person accepts personal responsibility for their actions, which means I strongly feel that bad behavior should never be rewarded, and just as strongly feel respect needs to be earned and not demanded! I believe everyone has the right to express their opinion on any given matter, but they have NO right to demand that the rest of the world has to agree with them!

And while I'm baring my soul here, I wholeheartedly identify as a born again, blood bought, Spirit filled, tongue talking Pentecostal who is not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes. I will also say that unless you are born again or saved, no matter how good of a person you are, or how many good works you have done, you will NOT be going to heaven according to the Bible!

Church! It is TIME for the body of Christ to COME OUT! We need to quit hiding behind our closet Christianity and IDENTITY as the sons and daughters we were called to be. We need to show up, stand up, speak up, and start acting out our true identity - the bride of Christ - our soon and coming King! Amen!