



Merry Christmas to all and warm wishes for a prosperous New Year. This issue is going out late because I forgot to send it! So it's belated Christmas wishes to all of you.

I look forward to a new year. 2013 was interest ng to say the least but it did deliver the goods for my business so I am grateful for that. 2014 is shaping up to be a solid year in

I hope all of you have a wonderful year! The ET will prepare the year in review issue next month. I miss the days when I had content from all of you readers! But 2013 was eventful in positive and negative ways. I will endeavor to stay positive in the year end review!



## Rod's Corner of the Blogosphere

## **Duck Dynasty Dilemma**

So I have little doubt that all of you are at least aware of the controversial situation with "Phil" from Duck Dynasty and his anti-gay remarks made in an interview with GQ magazine.

Interesting factoid, Duck Dynasty is the highest rated non-fiction cable show in history. Phil is a big part of that success. I am still curious as to why GQ was interested in this guy. He is definitely not a GQ kind of guy. Conspiracy? Probably not, but I would not put that kind of treachery past the Gay Mafia.

So essentially he made one tacky remark about how he couldn't understand how a man would be attracted to another man over a woman. I will refrain from using his exact language but will say aside from being a bit crude it was not all that offensive. The bulk of the controversy came as he touched on his personal religious beliefs and lumped gays in with adulteress, thieves and other nefarious "sinners". In Phil's defense, he was stating his personal "religious" beliefs and referenced the Bible. He did not attack the GLBT community, he just said he disagreed with their lifestyle and that he believed it to be wrong. Clearly it was an opinion.

So A&E caves to the pressure of one of the strongest lobbies as the gay machine went to work attacking Phil and his beliefs. A&E has every right to fire Phil over the remarks. Freedom of Speech is a paramount right that helps hold this nation together. But it is your right to say what you believe you are not protected from the consequences of your words. You have every right to call your boss a dirty rotten scoundrel, and he has every right to show you the door.

My problem is that A&E caved to the Gay Mafia. Now A&E will either have to stop producing the show or sell it off to another cable entity with a little more 'balls". I think the gay lobby is trying to force their views on America. They should focus on real issues that involve unfair practices and legal discriminations and stop attacking and trying to destroy anyone that doesn't see the world their way.

Why is it OK to organize vitriolic attacks on white people and Christians but offering up an opposing opinion to any minority group is a capital offense?

Personally I partially agree with Phil but largely disagree. I have no problem with the gay community and the overwhelming majority of its members. I am not the judge of their behavior. I just wish their organized lobby would stay focused on legislative and civil rights and stay out of the personal affairs of individuals. Duck Dynasty and people like Phil will only benefit from this idiotic attack from the Gay Mafia. More hate is on the way and it is self inflicting

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