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■ When you use terms like LGBT or LGBTQIA+ you are signaling your assent to propositions about human sex and sexuality which are false. Use reality based terms to describe reality: a same-sex attracted person or a person with a gender identity disorder. (1)

These alphabet soup terms and the words they stand for generally indicate that someone's disordered predispositions are their "identity" and conflate (unchosen, non-sinful) predispositions with (chosen, sinful) behavior as though the two were inextricable. (2)

You don't have a sexual orientation or identity. No one does. You experience sexual attraction, which can be ordered or disordered, and might engage in sexual behavior, which is either within the bounds of a valid marriage and ordered toward life, or sinful. (3)

When we concede the right to use terminology that describes reality truthfully, we are forced to use terms which conflate the experience of same-sex attraction with the behavior to which it predisposes a person, instead rolling it together into one "identity," (4)

such that denying that a person has a right to engage in such behavior, or have it recognized by the state or the Church, is tantamount to denying that the person who has this "identity" is a human being with dignity. If your gayness IS your identity, and "being gay" (5)

is inextricable from engaging in sexual relations with persons of the same sex, then to deny your right to have those relations, or even to label them as wrong and sinful, is to deny your personhood. (6)

"Being gay" (or substitute any term from the alphabet soup) is an imprecise term, because it conflates those things. So when you say "being gay" is sinful, you're saying "same-sex sexual behavior is sinful" but what they are hearing is "same-sex attraction is sinful." (7)

(Which is, of course, incorrect-- the experience of same-sex attraction is disordered, but not sinful in and of itself.) So, be precise: refer to "sexual acts between same-sex persons" if you mean the behavior and "same-sex attraction" if you mean the disposition." (8)

Do not concede to using words that conflate things which ought not to be conflated. Do not concede to using words which describe objective reality untruthfully. Be careful and precise with your language, and say what you mean. (9/9)