

Traditional Cultural Values



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What is Traditional Cultural Values?

A way of thinking and behaving that is passed down through external factors such as society, religion and family values. It is the process of having society's actions being defined by the cultural norms and establishing a tradition that is passed through and can influence another's society. The social norms are what society has deemed acceptable and all those who do not follow these social norms are not accepted and are discriminated against. However over time social norms can be evolved and modified due to these surrounding change of society. These social norms can be presented through rituals shown by religious or solemn ceremonies. Ceremonies are generally consisted of a series of actions performed according to a prescribed order.

Real World Examples - Marriage

A traditional union of marriage according to society is between man and women. It is said to be so because man has the ability to create life and the women carries the life and brings it forth into the world.

Genesis 2:22-0 22 *Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man. 23 The man said, "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called 'woman,' for she was taken out of man." 24 For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh.*

However over the last few decades societies all over the world has become more accepting of biracial marriages and most societies has become less accepting of arranged marriages and marriages inter family marriages.

For the past two decades homosexual marriages have been allowed in some countries and are still prejudiced all over the globe.



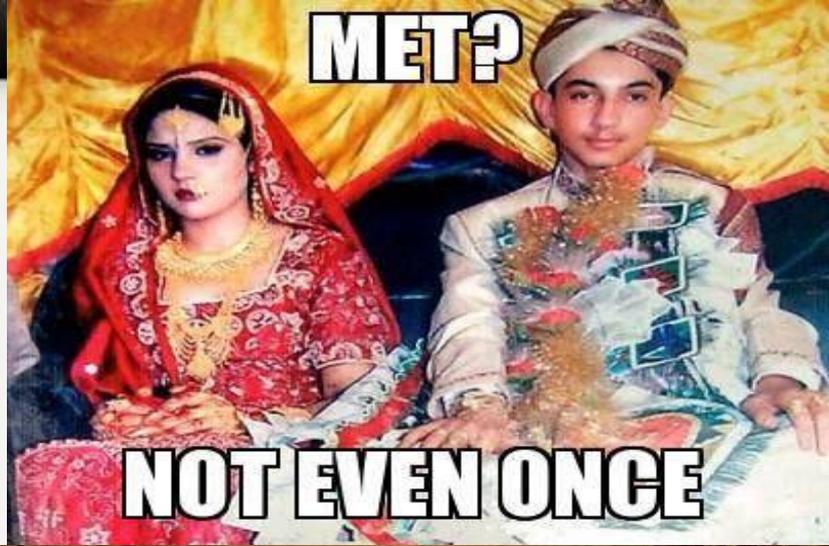
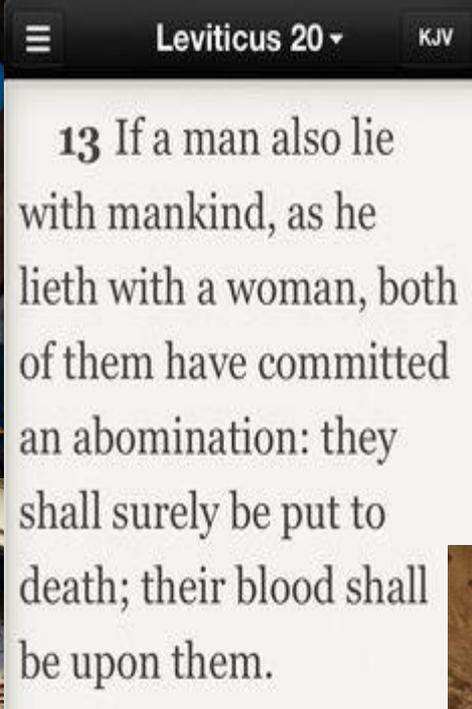
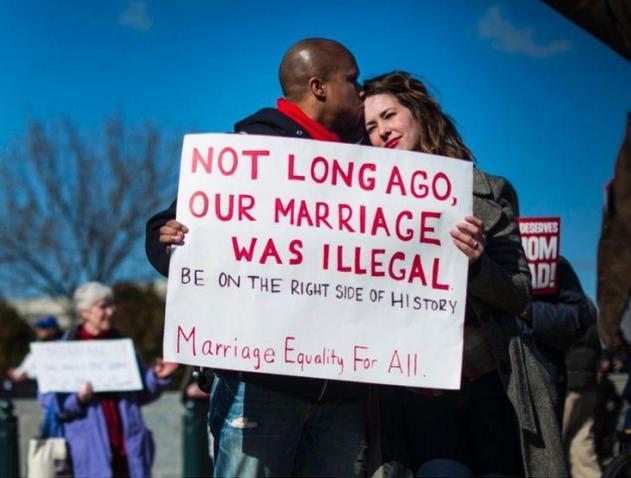
Barriers of Social Change - Marriage

A cultural barrier for biracial marriages is generally the southern states of The United States where segregation is still strong. In the south Biracial couples have a difficult time in public because often both parties and families will be judged harshly and cruelly. An example would be when we Watched Prom Night in Mississippi, all Biracial couples had a difficult time from their families to accept their relationship and community caused a lot of conflict.



Another cultural barrier is the acceptance of Homosexual marriages. In 196 countries across the world only 22 countries allow gay marriages. A cultural barrier for this would be religion and some countries goes as far as illegalization, imprisonment, institutionalization for and sometimes ever execution just being a homosexual.





Real World Examples - Sex-ed(Heterosexual Norms)

The heterosexual values being taught through the sexual education system has since been changed due to cultural conflicts. The indecent truth that kids used to be raised to only believe that you were a heterosexual and should be abstinent until marriage has been recent in terms of how it changed.

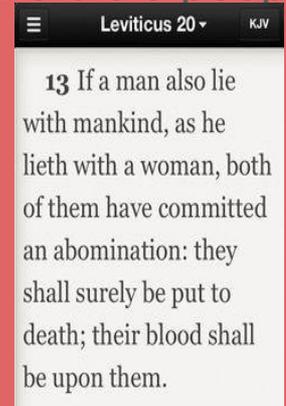
This relates to today and the sexual education curriculum being taught in school

example: muslims not agreeing with how their kids are being taught. They think its influencing them to explore and experiment earlier.



Barriers of Social Change - Sex-ed(Heterosexual Norms)

A barrier that has presented itself in regard to the heterosexual sex-education curriculum is the bible. Now as Diana presented in an image above, the bible states that you need to be straight and if you are not you are sinning. The Change that broke down the bible's ideals is a new way of thinking in regards that even christians do not agree with this statement . Rather than following the bible people are starting to express opinions through their morals.



Real World Examples - Manhood

Throughout human history, rituals have taken place being seen as a rite of passage in becoming a man, leaving boyhood behind. These rituals test one's strength, bravery, and ability to make a useful contribution to society.

One of the most known and least violent ceremonies is the Bar Mitzvah. Celebrated by the Jewish culture, a 13 year old boy must read from the Torah. From this point on he is considered a man and is responsible for adherence to Jewish law. He is obligated to fulfill Mitzvot, the 613 commandments enshrined in the Torah.



Manhood - Cultural Ceremonies

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Young men in the Algonquin Indian, are taken to a secluded area for approximately 20 days. Ingesting a plant mixture that has a powerful hallucinogen intended to remove memories of childhood. The plant suppressing memory, creating vivid hallucinations, and is potentially lethal. Those who survive generally cannot speak and or remember who they are. This tests a man's strength to the rite of passage.



Manhood - Cultures and Rituals

The bullet ant gloves is one of the most extreme rituals. Celebrated in Brazil, young men must wear gloves with hundreds of bullets ants woven into them. These gloves must be worn for 10-15 minutes well doing a celebratory dance. The bullet ant sting is equivalent to being shot, having the most painful sting of any invertebrate. The venom has evolved to stop the body from recognizing pain killers and can leave the men trembling uncontrollably for days afterwards. Being able to endure this ordeal makes you a man, giving acceptance as a useful member of the tribe.



Barriers of Social Change - Manhood

A cultural barrier for these rituals is our ever changing society and laws within different countries. Many cultures have very different rituals. Varying from what they use from movements and actions to animals and plants, this causes a barrier within their own country. If people wanted to move to another country they would need to give up these rituals. Animals and plants are not allowed to be transported across the borders. A failure to declare restricted and prohibited food, plant and animal goods may result in penalties of up to \$400, permanent seizure of goods and in some cases, criminal prosecution.



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