

Steve Chalke's poisoned 'Oasis Church'

Back in 2013 I wrote an article with the following title

STEVE CHALKE: Yet another who is “waxing worse and worse”

2nd Timothy 3:13

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It can be accessed on

http://www.takeheed.info/Take_Heed_2013/Current_Concerns/Steve_Chalke_waxing_worse_and_worse.pdf

Most of that article dealt with Steve Chalke's unscriptural, anti-biblical views on the subject of so-called '**same-sex marriage**'. Sadly Mr Chalke is continuing his downward spiral and "**waxing worse and worse**" as the recent article on this link demonstrates

<http://www.premier.org.uk/News/UK/Steve-Chalke-s-Oasis-church-to-offer-gay-marriages>

By way of response I would invite readers to read the article on the following link

<http://ldolphin.org/deliberate.html>

For me the following words from that article seems most apt where **Steve Chalke** and his '**Oasis Church**' are concerned

'When moral standards in the church gradually weaken, as they almost always do over a period of time, it becomes much easier for individual members to excuse compromised personal conduct that is actually seriously offensive to God... Unfortunately, sin takes us further than we intended to go'

The article is lengthy and 'deep' at times but it does contain many helpful thoughts. It does (unfortunately from my perspective) contain favourable references to C S Lewis by way of quotes from his writings although in fairness I have to say that the following quote does give a helpful understanding of and reflection on the '**evil**' in man -

"...the right direction leads not only to peace but to knowledge. When a man is getting better, he understands more and more clearly the evil that is still left in him. When a man is getting worse, he understands his badness less and less. A moderately bad man knows that he is not very good: a thoroughly bad man thinks he is all right. This is common sense, really. You understand sleep when you are awake, not while you are sleeping. You can see mistakes in arithmetic when your mind is working properly; while you are making them you cannot see them. You can understand the nature of drunkenness when you are sober, not when you are drunk. Good people know about good and evil: bad people do not know about either."

Despite this astute comment by C S Lewis I still hold to the views I expressed in

http://www.takeheed.info/Assorted_Articles/Contemporary/Lewis_Avoid.pdf

Collins English Dictionary defines the word **'OASIS'** as follows

'A fertile patch in a desert occurring where the water table approaches or reaches the ground surface: a place of peace, safety or happiness'.

Spiritually-speaking this definition in no way describes
Mr Chalke's 'OASIS CHURCH'

but rather the following quotes from God's Word seem much more apt

**"Woe unto them who call evil good and good evil; who put darkness for light and light for darkness; who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter... who justify the wicked for reward"
(Isaiah 5:20 & 23)**

**"He that justifieth the wicked and he that condemneth the just, even they both are an abomination to the Lord"
(Proverbs 17:15)**

**"My people have committed two evils; they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewed out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water"
(Jeremiah 2:13)**

**"How much more abominable and filthy is man who drinketh iniquity like water"
(Job 15:16)**

