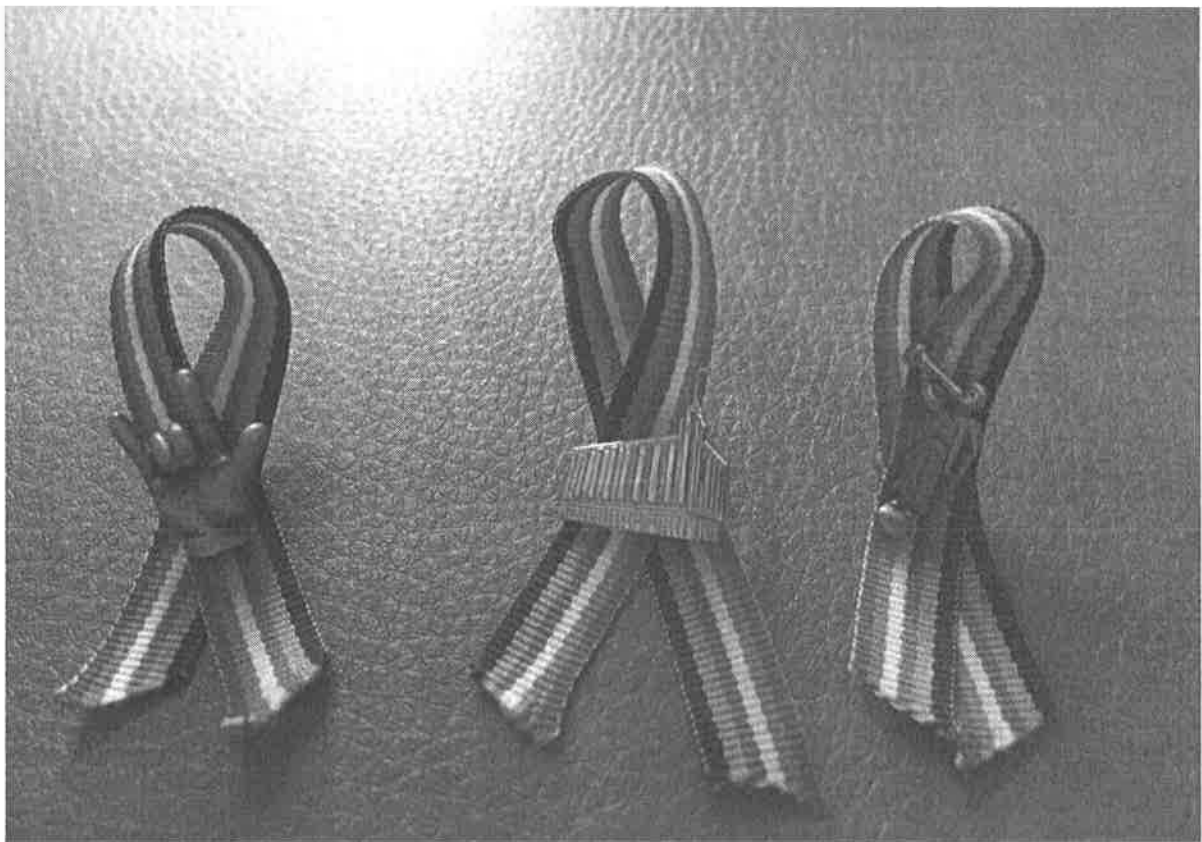


Rainbow Mormon Initiative

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In the Book of Mormon, Alma teaches people who are eager to learn more about the gospel. Of specific interest was what our Heavenly Parents expect from their children as part of the Kingdom of God. Alma explains the type of commitment Children of God must make to each other, "...and now, as ye are desirous to come into the fold of God, and to be called his people, and are willing to bear one another's burdens, that they may be light. Yea, and are willing to mourn with those that mourn; yea, and comfort those that stand in need of comfort, and to stand as witnesses of God at all times and in all things..." Mormons refer to these verses in the Book of Mormon as the baptismal covenant. It is singled out in our doctrine as

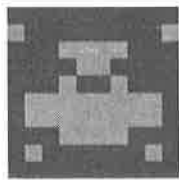


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KJC on May 27, 2016 at 1:36 pm

"We must "let them know [we] can provide a safe, non-judgmental space and that [we] support them unconditionally.""

I believe the scripture you quoted above to be true. And I was doing just fine reading your blog/article until I got to the very last 4 words of the next to the last paragraph. I believe we need to love each other "unconditionally" but I don't believe that includes supporting the sin "unconditionally". Now maybe I don't know what you mean by supporting someone unconditionally. Maybe you could explain that more. The bottom line is that the practice of homosexuality is a sin. There's no way around that. The person who practices that form of sexuality needs to know that they are loved unconditionally although the practice of said sin is not loved unconditionally. When someone in my family does something wrong, as their parent I want them to know that they are loved without condition but that they still did something wrong. Even Christ said to the sinners "go and sin no more". He didn't say "I love you and support your sin unconditionally." Whatever we do regarding sin, I have no doubt that the Lord still loves us. And we need to follow his example. But I don't think he loves the sins we commit.

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