

# Conscience, Religious Accommodations, and Religious Exemptions

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# DEBATING RELIGIOUS LIBERTY AND DISCRIMINATION

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# Sherbert v. Verner 1963



# Yoder v. Wisconsin 1972

# Kentucky Clerk Kim Davis





# Hobby Lobby Stores



# Religious Freedom Restoration Act “RFRA” (1993)

“Government shall not substantially burden a person’s exercise of religion” unless

- the law furthers a “compelling government interest”
- by the “least restrictive means”

# Masterpiece Cakeshop



# Colorado Antidiscrimination Law

A place of public accommodation cannot “refuse, withhold from, or deny to an individual ... the full and equal enjoyment of the goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations,” based on race, color, disability, sex, sexual orientation (including transgender status), national origin/ancestry, creed, marital status.



# First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution (excerpt):

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech...

# Masterpiece Cakeshop



# Take the Cake Bakery



Candice, I'm sorry...I just realized your in a same sex relationship and we do not do cakes for same sex weddings or parties...I'm so sorry. I wasn't aw

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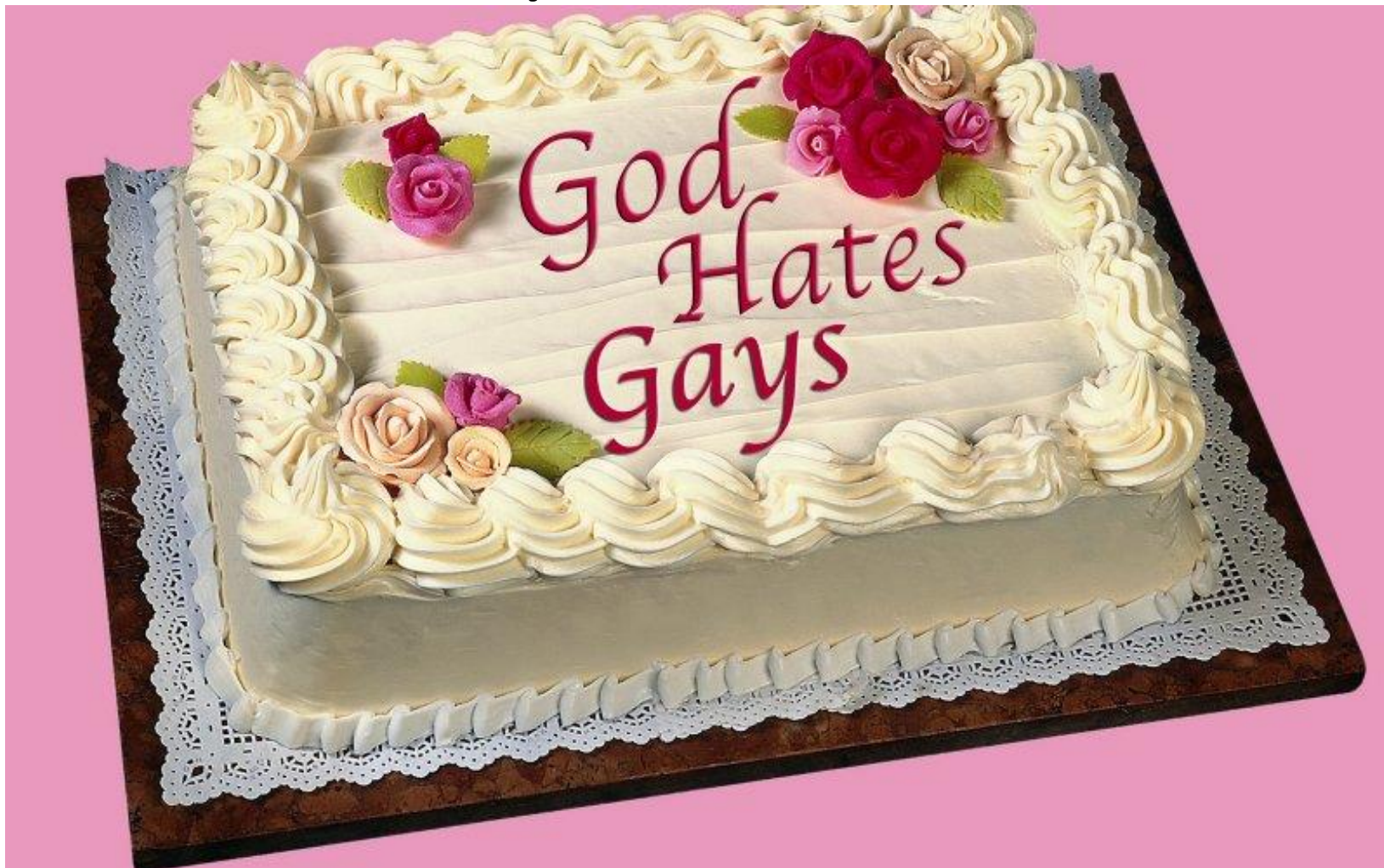


are of this exactly until I saw your page. Take care:)

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# Azucar Bakery





# A line-drawing proposal:

*design-based* refusal  
(what they sell)

vs.

*user-based* refusal  
(to whom they sell, or  
for what purpose)

# Hands On Originals Print Shop





# WHAT'S WRONG WITH HOMO- SEXUAL- ITY?

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