

How Franklin Graham Is Praying for the Supreme Court

While Americans wait and watch for the Supreme Court's verdict on same-sex marriage, Franklin Graham is doing more than waiting and watching—he's praying.

The evangelist has been offering assessments of various justices stances and how to pray for each of them as they deliberate.

"Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor was born to a family of immigrants and grew up in public housing in the Bronx. She is a great example of someone who reached the American Dream through hard work and determination. Unfortunately, she is also an example of someone who seems to be very misguided on the issue of same-sex marriage," Graham says.

"She voted to strike down the federal Defense of Marriage Act in 2014, and homosexual advocates consider her an ally in their fight to make same-sex marriage the law of the land. Let's pray for Justice Sotomayor to have the wisdom to know that as a society we cannot survive if we turn our back on God's standards and His definition of marriage."

Graham also points to Supreme Court Justice Elena Kagan. Last year, she officiated at a same-sex wedding for her former law clerk. In 2013, Kagan—who was appointed in 2010 by President Obama—also voted to strike down the federal Defense of Marriage Act, which stated that marriage is between one man and one woman.

"There seems to be no doubt about how she is leaning as the nation awaits the Supreme Court's decision on the constitutionality of same-sex marriage," Graham says. "Today please pray that she will see the danger of deciding to go against God's law and standards."

As advocates of same-sex marriage made their case before the Supreme Court in April, Graham notes, Justice Samuel Alito asked a pointed question: "Suppose we rule in your favor in this case and then after that, a group consisting of two men and two women apply for a marriage license. Would there be any ground for denying them that license?"

As Graham sees it, Alito seems to understand that ruling in favor of same-sex marriage would have far reaching implications. Again, he's praying Alito will have wisdom and stand strong for what we know is God's unchanging truth—marriage is between one man and one woman.

Graham is also concerned about Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, who has served on the Court for over two decades. He says those who support same-sex marriage consider her an ally in their fight to toss God's Holy Word aside.

"As the Supreme Court continues to deliberate over the constitutionality of same-sex marriage, let's pray that Justice Ginsburg's eyes would be opened to the truth of Scripture and that she would not be deceived by the arguments of those who seek to impose their 'new morality' on our nation," Graham urges.

Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy served on the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals before being nominated by President Reagan to the Supreme Court in 1988.

"Some say that Justice Kennedy may likely be the swing vote in the ruling on same-sex marriage being considered now," Graham says. "In the oral arguments phase a few weeks ago, he seemed to understand the vast implications if the court were to 'throw away a millennia of marriage' Today, pray for him especially, that he will realize the folly in doing just that."