

Two thousand years ago a man walked this earth who many say was Truth himself. If so, he was surely a loving and caring Truth. What little we accurately know of him says that he was a person of great love, who cared especially for the outcasts from society. He told us to “Love one another” and to “Serve one another” and he promised us “The meek shall inherit the earth.”

We know these truths have inspired people across countless generations to affirm their identities and innate human rights as unique individuals and children of Love. Yet we see human groups that claim to speak Truth in the name of Love espousing hatred of their fellow humans based on arbitrary moral codes of their own devising and for their own enrichment.

Our commitment, after hundreds of years in hiding from oppressive societies, is to rise and claim at last our rightful position as the innovators of a creative new social order. We are the meek. And we have come to claim our inheritance.

We come together here today from many corners of the world and from many social legacies. Some of us come from communities of faith and some of us have found security in personal spirituality, while others have found their purpose in the seemingly endless struggle for secular equality.

Only by finding unity of purpose without imposing uniformity of belief and action can we harmonize our differences and forge a truly effective force for changing the world. Here, in the fight for equality, Capitalists and Socialists, Republicans and Democrats, Believers and non-Believers, come together to work for our unified purpose—total sexual and gender freedom for all, guaranteed by human and cosmic Law.

We know that when this is finally achieved, the chains of oppression will fall away forever freeing the human spirit to explore new and better ways of living, new and better ways of loving, and new and better ways of serving. And thus we welcome here today all who will unite with us in the struggle for total sexual and gender freedom.

Today we stand at the dawn of a new age of true freedom, standing on the shoulders of giants who dared to dream the great dream of liberty and freedom and devote their whole being to its achievement. And I know that the man who said to us, “The meek shall inherit the earth,” surely dreamed of a day when the humanity he dared to love so deeply could be freed from their ancient fears.

I would like to dedicate our conference today to the realization of the dreams of freedom those who preceded us on this path dared to dream. These brave men and women gave their lives, their whole, to show a frightened and rejecting world the

truth. And thus we have gradually become visible, recognized, and able to challenge the status quo to demand equality, liberty, justice, and freedom for all.

With this in mind, I now welcome you to the District of Columbia. To the founders of our republic, the name, Columbia, designated the aspect of god that they felt had inspired them in their great work. (An artist's symbolic conception of a personified Columbia stands atop the Capitol Dome, as well as in New York Harbor.)

I am proud to call myself a Columbian. Columbia is a face of Love acting through Truth in which I have confidence. Columbia symbolizes the gift of freedom from ancient fear to humanity, enabling those who will to learn the art and joy of love as the true and sure path to a peaceful, happy, and secure existence.

I am happy that my home is in the District of Columbia, the place the founders of our Nation reserved as a celebration of liberty and freedom, the sacred ground at the heart of the republic, the temple of justice and equality. I hope someday to see this city become an example of freedom and liberty to our nation and the world. I am proud to call myself a Columbian, and I invite all of you, whether you live here or not, to adopt this symbol, around which we can unify our varied movements.

Our program today takes one small step for our movement in our rapidly transitioning DC; however, when you leave here with a newfound commitment to the cause of overcoming the social neuroses of sex and gender that prevent the realization of full human potential, and are ready to take action, you will find the opposition ready to crumble before your truth.

I am a Columbian. Columbia responds to ideas that accord with the values of equality, justice, liberty, and freedom. I keep three principles in mind in my life:

I seek to be able to do my part in guiding humanity into the new age
I ask those who oppose me be freed from fear, that they may learn to love
I want to always know how best to serve the purposes of Columbia

I live by four principles:

Worship Love
Live Truth
Do Good
Make Beauty

I am a Columbian.

And so are you.