

# And Some Have Greatness Thrust From Them

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The past is another country where they do things differently: but how long past does the past have to be for the country to be utterly foreign? Sometimes it seems that the time that it takes is shorter and shorter, that a few years is more than sufficient. Who would have thought twenty years ago that the United States Supreme Court would be deliberating twenty years later as to whether it was actually legally *permissible* for any state of the union not to permit homosexual marriage? And this is so whether you now think that the whole idea is a good one or not. [\\_more>>>](#)