

My Dear Grandchild,

I empathise with the plight of Pfc Lynndie England, the American soldier who was shown in a number of photographs where detainees at Abu Ghraib Prison, Iraq, were being abused. I think that I am one of the very few people in the world, today, who empathises with her plight. Lynndie England is four months pregnant, you know, having fornicated (that means that she screwed a man without being married to him) with another American soldier, Spc Charles A. Graner Junior. The fornication was consensual, you understand; there has been no suggestion of forced entry or anything like that. There have been reports that Lynndie England fornicated with a number of American soldiers, during the time that she was on active duty in Iraq, and that, on occasion, she even permitted photographs and videos to be taken with her, enjoying her risqué lifestyle. That this young lady decided to fornicate, copiously, is her business and nobody else's, in my opinion, and, if she approved of photographs, being taken in so-called compromising positions, that is, also, her business. Which leads me to the reason for this letter. Think of the following scenarios of the most natural acts between me and Grandpa in the privacy of our bedroom:

I sleep with Grandpa	We photograph our	It is considered socially
	cohabitation	acceptable behavior
I copulate with Grandpa	We photograph our love-	It is considered socially
	making sessions	acceptable behavior
I indulge in fellatio with	We photograph the act	It is considered socially
Grandpa		acceptable behavior
Grandpa indulges in	We photograph the act	It is considered socially
cunnilingus with me		acceptable behavior

Now, switch Grandpa for Charles A Graner Junior, and me for Lynndie England, and note the following:

Lynndie England sleeps with	It is photographed	It is considered socially
Charles A. Graner		unacceptable behavior
Lynndie England fornicates	It is photographed	It is considered socially
with Charles A. Graner		unacceptable behavior
Lynndie England indulges in	It is photographed	It is considered socially
fellatio with Charles A.		unacceptable behavior
Graner		
Charles A. Graner indulges in	It is photographed	It is considered socially
cunnilingus with Lynndie		unacceptable behavior
England		

The acts of Lynndie England with the cooperation of Charles A. Graner were no different from the acts in which I and Grandpa indulge – when I can get him into the mood – and, I presume, no different from every other couple in the world, today. Yet, because Lynndie England is not married, because she likes to fornicate with multiple partners, and, obviously, very much, too, and because she has been photographed, committing these legal acts, which are considered socially unacceptable, she is looked upon with disapproval in many quarters and is considered a very wicked woman by the Church.

Now, I ask you, My Dear Grandchild:

- 1. Have you not fantasised at the thought of having multiple lovers?
- 2. Have you never watched a pornographic movie?
- 3. Have you ever wondered what it would be like to have another man in bed with you when whats-his-name is doing his thing with you?

I need not ask you for responses to the above three questions because I am sure of the answers. You, I, Grandpa, Lynndie England, Charles A. Graner and every other healthy and virile male and female in the world, today, are all the same: We are, in the eyes of Puritans and other religious fundamentalists, dirty, disgusting people, who are out of control.

Of course, I must tell you that I do not approve of Lynndie England's choice of a lover in Charles A. Graner because, according to Grandpa, he has been accused of doing some rather nasty things in the past. His former wife has alleged that he has, on at least one occasion, dragged her out of a room by her hair and attempted to throw her down a flight of stairs. He is known to have a history of violence. While at a Pennsylvania prison, where he worked as a guard in civilian life, he was accused, on a number of occasions, of brutality to prisoners. As a military policeman in Abu Ghraib Prison, he is being accused of abusing prisoners under his charge. He faces a court-martial, you know. This soldier is the one who is pictured, standing behind a pile of naked Iraqi prisoners, with his arms, folded. He is said to have been the most abusive of the American soldiers at this notorious prison, formerly the torture chamber of Saddam Hussein, the former President of Iraq. It is alleged that this lover of Lynndie England stripped prisoners naked, struck and kicked them, and even forced them to hit each other. He is not, exactly, my choice of a father for my child.

But whether or not Charles A Graner is welcome in my bed is immaterial because he was an acceptable mate for Lynndie England, when she was hot to trot. Like all mammals, Lynndie England enjoys sex and, obviously, she enjoys it in many different positions and with many partners. I see nothing wrong with that lifestyle so long as it does not encroach on the way that I want to live, or tends to attempt to influence the social mores of today. It is interesting to note that, when the **B**ritish **B**roadcasting **C**orporation (BBC) unleashed a television series, entitled, 'Sensual Secrets', it showed all of the things that a couple do in bed, even to the extent of showing explicit acts of fornication. In one episode, it showed a pregnant woman, giving birth. The photographs were explicit, also. I noted that there was no mention in that documentary as to whether or not the woman was married. Because it did not matter: We all do it, don't we? And the birth of a baby is the same to all women.

With that, I end this letter, My Dear Grandchild. Love you,

The Chief Lady of Hongkong

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