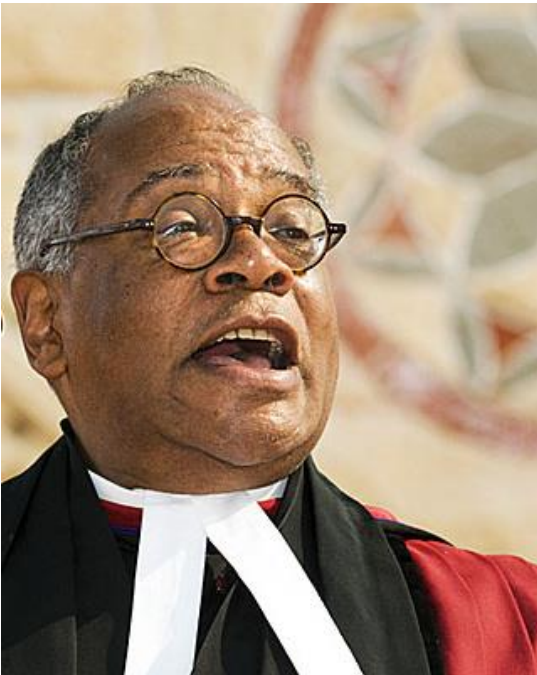


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While she was an editor of the black women's magazine *Essence*, **Linda Villarosa** published an interview in which she came out to her mother, Clara Villarosa, the founder of Hue Man Bookstore in Harlem. She wrote the essay "Revelations" about readers' reactions to her coming out in the magazine and around the country on a follow-up speaking tour. In "Revelations," Villarosa discusses people's selective use of the Bible to justify the oppression of LGBTQ+ people; she simply and briefly analyses several of the lines of scripture haters commonly use to justify their attitudes toward LGBTQ+ people.



**Peter Gomes** was a gay man who served as Harvard's chaplain for decades and taught in Harvard's Divinity School. The chapter "The Last Prejudice" comes from one of his books, *The Good Book: Reading the Bible with Mind and Heart*. In this chapter, Gomes provides a more detailed examination of what the Bible says about being LGBTQ+.