The devil's droppings

This poem was sourced from the testimonies of LGBTQ+ people who shared experiences in a social media forum of things that had been said to them by other Christians.

you have a hole in your soul your breasts belong to your future husband we had a board meeting and decided that you can no longer serve you're not as well-dressed as I thought you would be that lifestyle makes me want to take a shower your life is an abomination I love you

very much I've stopped shopping at that supermarket that shows two men cooking lasagne together in their home because I think they're normalising something disgusting we don't wave flags and hold street parades for proud burglars maybe if you dressed more feminine and wore lipstick the way you use *love* is far from the Christian way you have the theology of a five year old gay people are the devil's droppings we'd like you to step down from children's work it might be allowed but it's not God's best life for you my son is a policeman and those gays are always trying to tell him they're victims and he says it's

so annoying is it possible you were dropped on your head at birth Jesus did not accept everyone when you celebrate holy communion it turns into the body and blood of the devil I have a duty of care to the congregation you're only half a person the way you live is abhorrent to God you're always welcome if you follow this path you will live a very lonely life we love you and are happy for you to continue coming to church but we don't think it appropriate for you to speak can I pray for you?