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Organized religion has affected our society greatly. The negativity of organized religion has led to its decline in the United States and even Europe. One main effect that organized religion has had on society is the large debate over same-gender marriages. The institution of marriage is basically an agreement between both parties to take care of each other and their children throughout their lives. Many people are trying to obtain equal rights within marriage for same-gender couples but it is still not accepted by all states. The main argument with same-gender marriage is because many people were taught in their religion that it is unacceptable for same-gender people to be together, let alone be allowed to marry.

Another effect organized religion has had on society is certain beliefs that religious people have can affect the decisions they make in life. There is war the in Middle East because of a piece of land though to be the holy land. Organized religion also can turn people into extremists. These people are very dangerous because they are very closed minded about their beliefs. Because of this closed-mindedness other people are killed for not following the same beliefs. Recently, the United Nations have been dealing with Muslim extremists causing problems throughout the world. They are attacking innocent people and forcing other to convert to their religion. These types of people came from organized religion and from a leader telling them what to believe.