

“God Made Us Male and
Female: Is Sexual Identity
Based on God’s Providence
or Our Preference?”

MATTHEW 19:1-6

Matthew 19:1–6 (ESV)

1 Now when Jesus had finished these sayings, He went away from Galilee and entered the region of Judea beyond the Jordan.

2 And large crowds followed Him, and he healed them there.

3 And Pharisees came up to Him and tested Him by asking, “Is it lawful to divorce one’s wife for any cause?”

Matthew 19:1–6 (ESV)

4 He answered, “Have you not read that He who created them from the beginning made them male and female,

5 and said, ‘Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh’?

Matthew 19:1–6 (ESV)

6 So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate.”

“Gender Dysphoria”



(From True Woman 101: Divine Design)

When God created male and female, He had the dynamic of His own relationship in mind.

The Lord created the two sexes to reflect something about God. He patterned the male-female relationship (“them”) after the “us/our” relationship that exists within God. He designed the two sexes to put God on display.

I. What the Bible Has to Say On This Matter

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2 Corinthians 2:17 (ESV)

17 For we are not, like so many, peddlers of God's word, but as men of **sincerity**, as commissioned by God, in the sight of God we speak in Christ.

Genesis 1:27 (ESV)

27 So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

Jude 7 (ESV)

7 just as Sodom and Gomorrah and the surrounding cities, which likewise indulged in sexual immorality and pursued unnatural desire, serve as an example by undergoing a punishment of eternal fire.

Romans 1:18–32 (ESV)

18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth.

19 For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them.

Romans 1:18–32 (ESV)

20 For His invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse.

Romans 1:18–32 (ESV)

21 For although they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks to Him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

22 Claiming to be wise, they became fools,

23 and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things.

Romans 1:18–32 (ESV)

24 Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves,

25 because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, Who is blessed forever! Amen.

Romans 1:18–32 (ESV)

26 For this reason God gave them up to dishonorable passions. For their women exchanged natural relations for those that are contrary to nature;

Romans 1:18–32 (ESV)

27 and the men likewise gave up natural relations with women and were consumed with passion for one another, men committing shameless acts with men and receiving in themselves the due penalty for their error.

Romans 1:18–32 (ESV)

28 And since they did not see fit to acknowledge God, God gave them up to a debased mind to do what ought not to be done.

29 They were filled with all manner of unrighteousness, evil, covetousness, malice. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, maliciousness. They are gossips,

Romans 1:18–32 (ESV)

30 slanderers, haters of God, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents,

31 foolish, faithless, heartless, ruthless.

32 Though they know God's righteous decree that those who practice such things deserve to die, they not only do them but give approval to those who practice them.

Deuteronomy 22:5 (ESV)

5 “A woman shall not wear a man’s garment, nor shall a man put on a woman’s cloak, for whoever does these things is an abomination to the LORD your God.

1 Corinthians 6:9 (ESV)

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10 nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God.

11 And such **were** some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

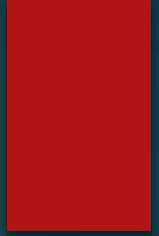


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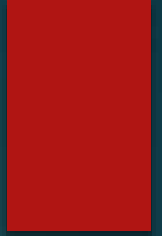
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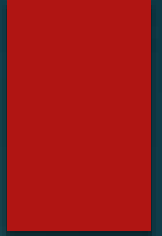
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