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Because your gender is God-given, live out His design that created you to be a man or a woman

 The goodness of God is demonstrated in the creating of <u>two</u> genders

Genesis 1:26-27

The Bible is God's Story given to transform you and to be the authority in your life

"The imago Dei and being male or female are essential to being human . . . When denying this physical and genetic reality, we let experience supersede essence – what I feel is who I am. In other words, psychology usurps biology." Christopher Yuan, Holy Sexuality and the Gospel

2. The goodness of God is demonstrated in the <u>complementary</u> component of men and women

Galatians 3:28

3. It's important to pursue God's Word about sex and gender over <u>traditions</u> or the <u>culture</u>

Colossians 2:8

"I want to understand what Scripture teaches and why it teaches it and form my thoughts, attitudes and behaviors accordingly, loving those who disagree with me and praying that they too would want to know the truth that is able to 'set them free.'"

Colossians 2:6-7

The Center for Faith, Sexuality & Gender (centerforfaith.com)

Center for Biblical Manhood and Womanhood (CBMW.org)

# What gets redeemed?

"You are more <u>evil</u> than you believe and more <u>loved</u> than you can imagine."

# Parent Prompts for This Week:

God made boys and girls. Take a few moments to read and discuss Genesis 1:27. Then explain that God created men, women and children to form a complete picture of who God is.

**Boys and girls are different.** God created men and women to be different from one another. Talk about some of the differences that you and your children have noticed.

God created men and women to need each other. Read

Genesis 2:18. God knew that Adam would be lonely by himself, so He created Eve. God made both genders to complement each other and so we could have families. Men and women are both needed to start a family.

https://www.focusonthefamily.com/parenting/reinforce-yourchilds-sexual-identity/



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# FROM YOUR EXPERIENCE

Our topic this week is manhood and womanhood. What are some of the voices that speak to the various opinions? What was communicated to you in childhood?

### LEARN FROM THE BIBLE

If you haven't yet, please listen to the message on our website. In addition, you can also hear a podcast on the topic.

What do we learn about God's creation of genders from the following passages? Genesis 1:26-27, 31; 2:16-25 Summarize the following about the authority of Jesus and the Bible in all areas of life. *Matthew* 28:18

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Ephesians 4:11-14

Colossians 2:8

### DISCUSS TOGETHER

What is the significance of both men and women being made in the image of God?

How is the discussion of gender being 'God-given' an essential to our relationship with God and one another? What all is involved in this topic?

How might God's design of both sexes reflect the character of God?

What do we learn about the distinction of genders in Goddesigned marriage? See Matthew 19:4-5; Ephesians 5:25, 31.

#### PRAY

- Please pray for our influence in our worlds and how we live with wisdom and grace
- Pray for our global partners and how the C. virus affects them
- Pray for Pastor Todd and the elders as they live and lead