

GENDER CONFUSION!

Genesis 1:26-31

INTRODUCTION: We learned two weeks ago that God is the designer of gender: Genesis 1:27. God created man in the image of God. God created man male and female. Our God founded the foundation of the family. God created males and females different than one another. Our God is the inventor of intimacy. Sex was designed by God to be good. Sex is to bring glory to God and to be exclusively between husband and a wife. God's Word is very clear here but Satan always creates confusion in every area God has laid out in His Word. Our culture today is as confused about gender as the culture of Sodom and Gomorrah was.

I. OUR WORLD TODAY!

Our world today is much different than the world most of us grew up in. Gender identity is being reconstructed all around our world today, not just in our nation. We grew up in a world where your biological sex and your gender were synonymous, that is no longer true today for many people. Our world says your psychology determines your sexual identity today, not your biology. The Bible says your sexual identity was determined by God and your mind must adapt to that. Genesis 1:27: God made man distinctively male or female. We are biologically made either male or female and have the sexual organs to prove it. Our God had a plan before each of us were ever born as to which sex He determined we would be: Psalm 139:13-14. When we leave off God's plan because we believe we have a better plan for our lives, that is pride and it always leads to destruction. Proverbs 16:18; Genesis 3:1-6. Satan has been a deceiver since the very beginning of the human race. Satan's strategy is to deceive us into rejecting God's Word and God's authority over our lives. Gender Dysphoria is when a person experiences a difference between how God created them and what they are feeling emotionally and psychologically. Generation Z has been convinced that gender confusion is perfectly normal. Our kids and grandkids are being lied to that if you don't feel right about your biological sex you need to make a transition. God did not make a mistake when He made you. The devil may try to convince you of that but it is not true. We as a nation are very confused by this. The question is where will this end.

II. GOD'S DESIGN!

When we see men dressing like women and women dressing like men because they feel that is who they are; do you know that the Bible speaks to that very thing? Deuteronomy 22:5. This is speaking to anyone who dresses themselves in a way that goes against God's intention and creation of them. 1 Corinthians 6:9-11. Could it be any clearer? God's Word clearly says that people who reject God's plan for sexuality and chose an alternate plan of sexual sin will be judged by God and will not inherit the Kingdom of God! Sexual sins are not just limited to homosexuality or cross dressing. Sexual sins include lust, fornication, pornography, rape, adultery, incest, homosexuality, bestiality, and pagan sexual activity in the name of a god. Sexual intimacy becomes immorality when sexual activity occurs outside the realm of one man and one woman in marriage according to God's Word.

III. THE RESULTS OF SEXUAL SIN!

Sexual sin today is destroying people. It is destroying marriages and families both in the church and out of the church. Half of the men that attend church regularly are involved with pornography on a regular basis. People will tell you "Just looking cannot hurt you!" Folks that is a lie. Pornography changes how we look at people. Instead of seeing them as made in the

image of God, we begin to see them as sexual objects instead of image-bearers of God. Again the Bible tells us where sexual sin will end for us: 1 Corinthians 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 6:18-20.

We must remember that God created us for His glory and when it comes to this topic of gender, identity and sexuality we must remember the truth that we were created by our God and we belong to our God and that the way we use our bodies matters to our God and is a reflection on how we obey our God. God says when we sin sexually it will have ramifications both in this life and in the one to come: Galatians 6:7-8.

Our sexual sins can bring a curse on our families that will last for many years: 2 Samuel 12:7-12. Parents, you need to know what your children are watching on the internet, who their friends are on line and on their phones. We need to be involved in our children's lives. We need to be involved with our children and shepherd them because Satan, this world, and their own fleshly desires will destroy their lives if we do not protect our children.

Our children need to learn about sex and gender and identity from you. Don't leave it to their teachers in the public schools. As a parent be informed, be involved and for sure be in charge! Sexual sin is powerful and it has results: John 8:7-11: Jesus gave this woman caught in adultery acceptance; His grace and His love but He also spoke the truth to her. He called her conduct sin.

When we see sin in our own lives or in the lives of others we need to not allow ourselves to be alienated. God does not hate sinners; He hates sin and the results of sin in the lives of those He loves. How many of us have sinned? Romans 3:23. We cannot affirm those who chose to live in sin. We cannot affirm what the Bible calls sin. We do not want to avoid the truth of God's Word on these subjects. We must as the church get involved in these issues.

We must assure our hearts that our God's plan is good. We must assure our hearts that God's Word is true and that God's promises apply to each of us. God's grace can change us and His forgiveness and grace are available to each of us. Romans 3:10. We must realize that all of us are sinners and we all need forgiveness. We dare not stay stuck in our sin and rebellion. We must have a godly repentance over our sin: 2 Corinthians 7:8-11. Godly sorrow will move us to repent of any and all sinful desires and we will become more like our Lord Jesus Christ.