GENESIS 1:27 & 31, 1 THESSALONIANS 5:23, ROMANS 1:21-23, JOHN 1:14, 1 PETER 2:23-24

IN A CHANGING CULTURE

Respond in a way that represents the <u>person</u> of <u>Jesus</u> with the <u>ways</u> of <u>Jesus</u>.

We believe that God creates each person intentionally, wonderfully, and unchangeably as male or female. These two distinct, complementary genders together reflect the image and nature of God. We believe a person's sex is not divisible from their gender. Denial of one's biological sex or gender is a destructive rejection of the image of God within that person.

WHY ARE CHRISTIANS SO RESISTANT TO TRANSGENDERISM?

Jesus is for trans people and against trans ideology.

THE BIBLE IS OUTDATED AND CAN'T SPEAK TO MODERN ISSUES OF GENDER.

We may know more <u>now</u> than people knew <u>then</u>. But <u>we</u> don't know more now than God knew then.

I WAS BORN IN THE WRONG BODY.

The outer body and inner spirit are eternally and indivisibly linked.

I NEED TO BE TRUE TO MYSELF.

Everybody gets their identity from somebody.

GRACE & TRUTH

- Personal pronouns are an issue of personal conviction.
- Speak up when someone asks, presses, coerces, or is in danger.
- Speak to win the <u>person</u> to the truth, not to win an argument <u>about</u> the truth.

HERE'S THE THING

We need to understand that Jesus understands.