

# A Biblical View of Sexuality and Gender

## *1. What does the Bible say about sexual and gender identity*

- The Bible clearly states that there are only **2 genders**.

### **Genesis 1:26-27 (NLT)**

Then God said, "Let us make human beings in our image, to be like ourselves. They will reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, the livestock, all the wild animals on the earth, and the small animals that scurry along the ground." So God created human beings in his own image. In the image of God he created them; **male and female** he created them.

### **Matthew 19:4 (NLT)**

"Haven't you read the Scriptures?" Jesus replied. "They record that from the beginning 'God made them **male and female**.'

### **Genesis 1:28 (NLT)**

Then God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and multiply. Fill the earth and govern it.

- Scripture is very clear about how men and women should dress.

**Deuteronomy 22:5 (NLT)** "A woman must not put on men's clothing, and a man must not wear women's clothing. Anyone who does this is detestable in the sight of the Lord your God.

### **1 Corinthians 6:9-10 (NLT)**

Don't you realize that those who do wrong will not inherit the Kingdom of God? Don't fool yourselves. Those who indulge in sexual sin, or who worship idols, or commit adultery, or are male prostitutes, or practice homosexuality, or are thieves, or greedy people, or drunkards, or are abusive, or cheat people—none of these will inherit the Kingdom of God.

### **1 Corinthians 6:18-19 (MSG)**

There is a sense in which sexual sins are different from all others. In sexual sin we violate the sacredness of our own bodies, these bodies that were made for God-given and God-modeled love, for "becoming one" with another. Or didn't you realize that your body is a sacred place, the place of the Holy Spirit? Don't you see that you can't live however you please, squandering what God paid such a high price for?

### **Galatians 3:26-28 (NLT)**

For you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have put on the character of Christ, like putting on new clothes. There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male and female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus.

### ***2. What should a person do who is struggling with gender dysphoria?***

- Does this confusion occur because of social stereotypes?
- Understand that God loves you.
- Realize that our decisions have moral ramifications.
- Realize that transitioning moves you farther away from who you really are.
- Seek Godly counsel.
- Be accountable.

### ***3. What if my child is struggling with gender?***

- Pray for your child.
- Love your child.
- Stand for biblical truths.
- Seek Godly counsel.