Series: ***Male and Female: God's Plan for Men and Women*** Nov 1, 2016

THE GENDER DEBATE: AN INTRODUCTION

Central Idea: *Our understanding of the roles of men and women must be grounded in the authority of God's Word.*

℘ UNDERSTANDING THE CONTROVERSY

- Complementarian View

  – Equality

  – Role differences

- Egalitarian View

℘ WHY IT'S IMPORTANT

℘ GALATIANS 3.28

- Meaning

- Misuse

- Implications

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Questions for Personal Reflection or Group Discussion

1. How do we see the world's confusion and misunderstanding of gender issues today?
2. Read Gal 3.28 in various English translation or paraphrases.
3. What do you think Paul means when he says there is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female? Why do you think Paul emphasizes these three distinctions?
4. What does it mean to be "one in Christ Jesus?"
5. What does this verse teach us about where our true identity should be found?
6. How does knowing that we are accepted in Christ affect the way we view ourselves?
7. What does this passage teach us about the value and dignity of every person?
8. Consider these passages in light of Galatians 3.28: 1 Cor 12:12-27; Eph 2:13-19; John 17:20-23.

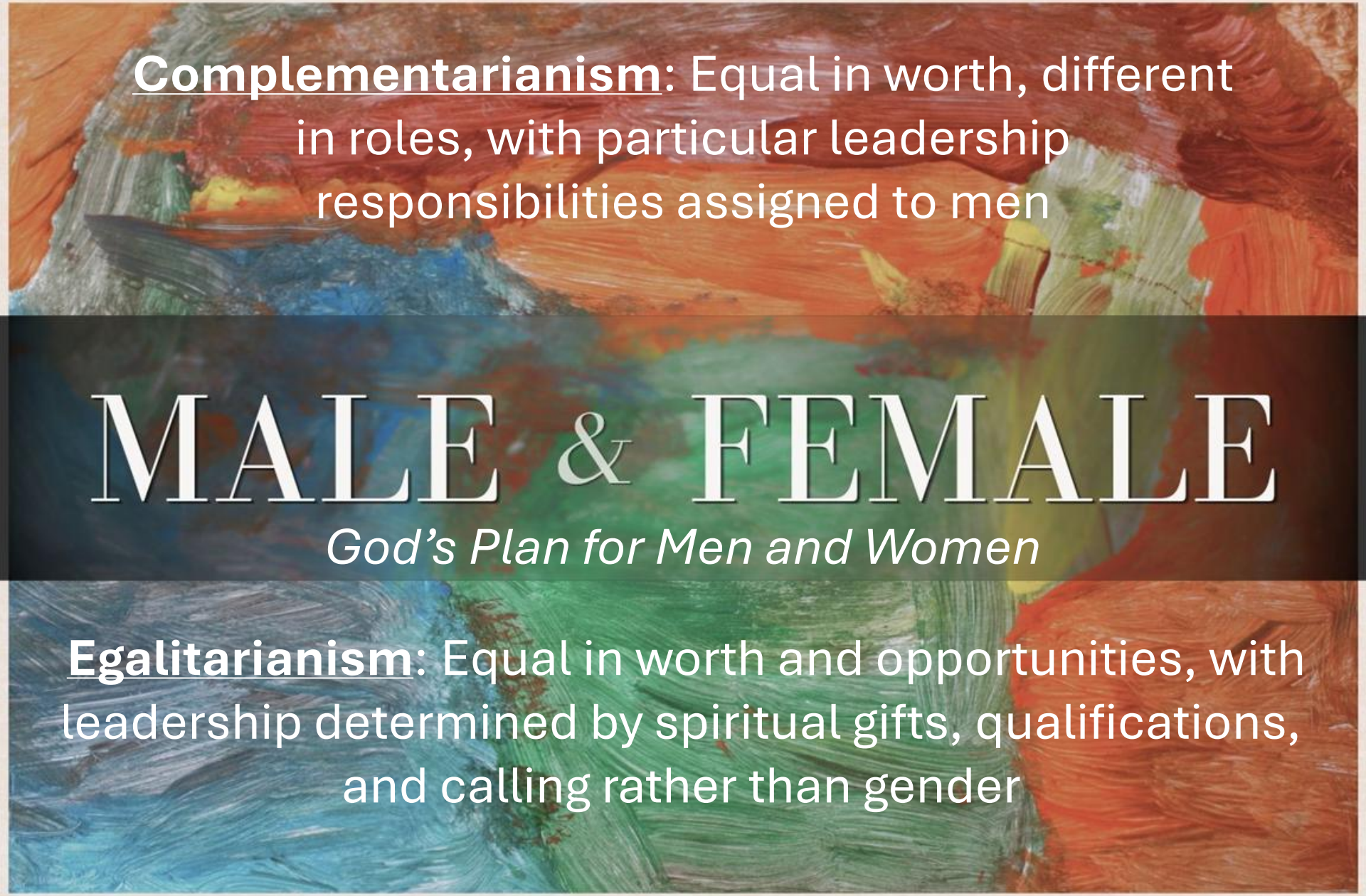
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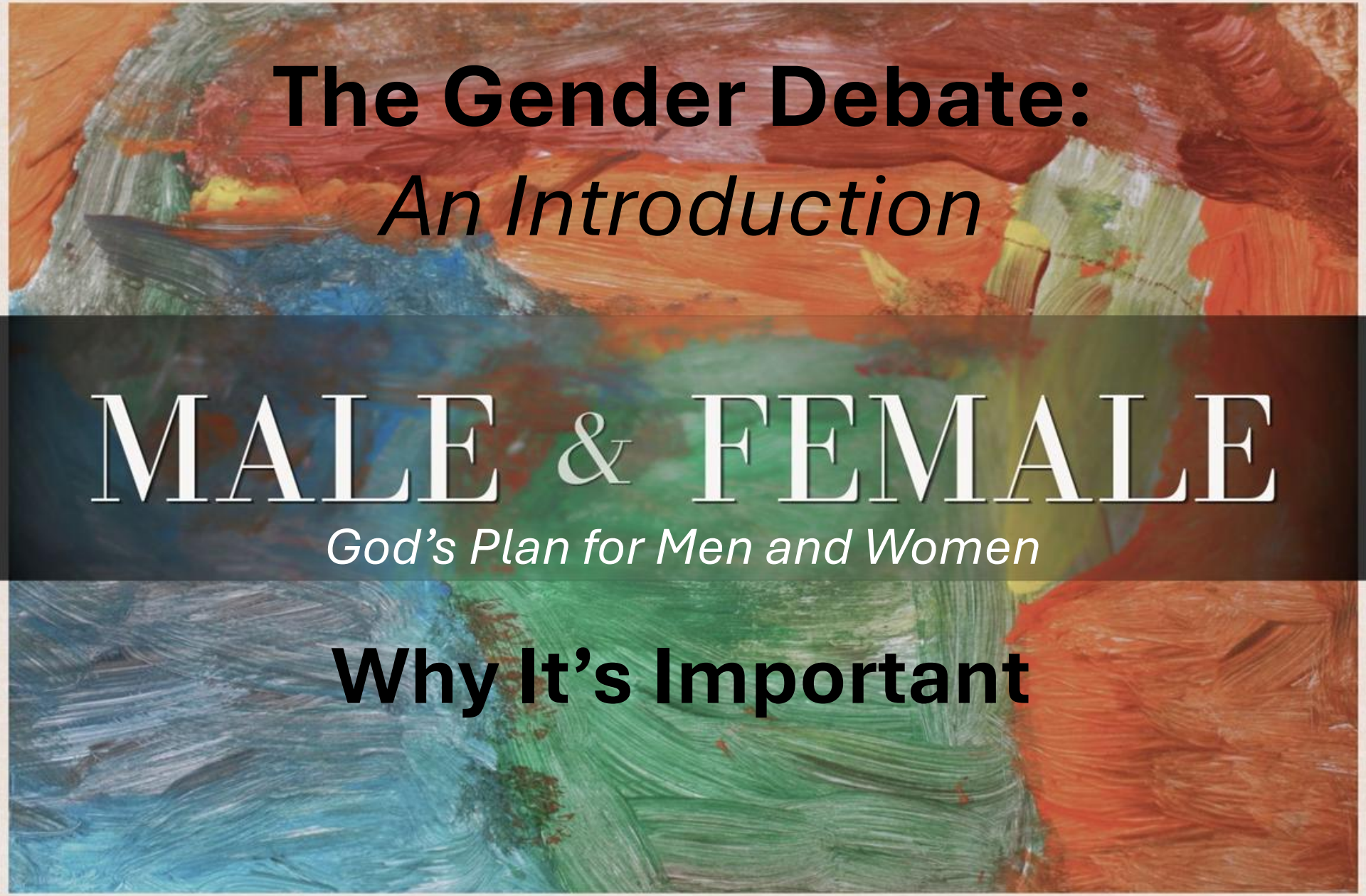
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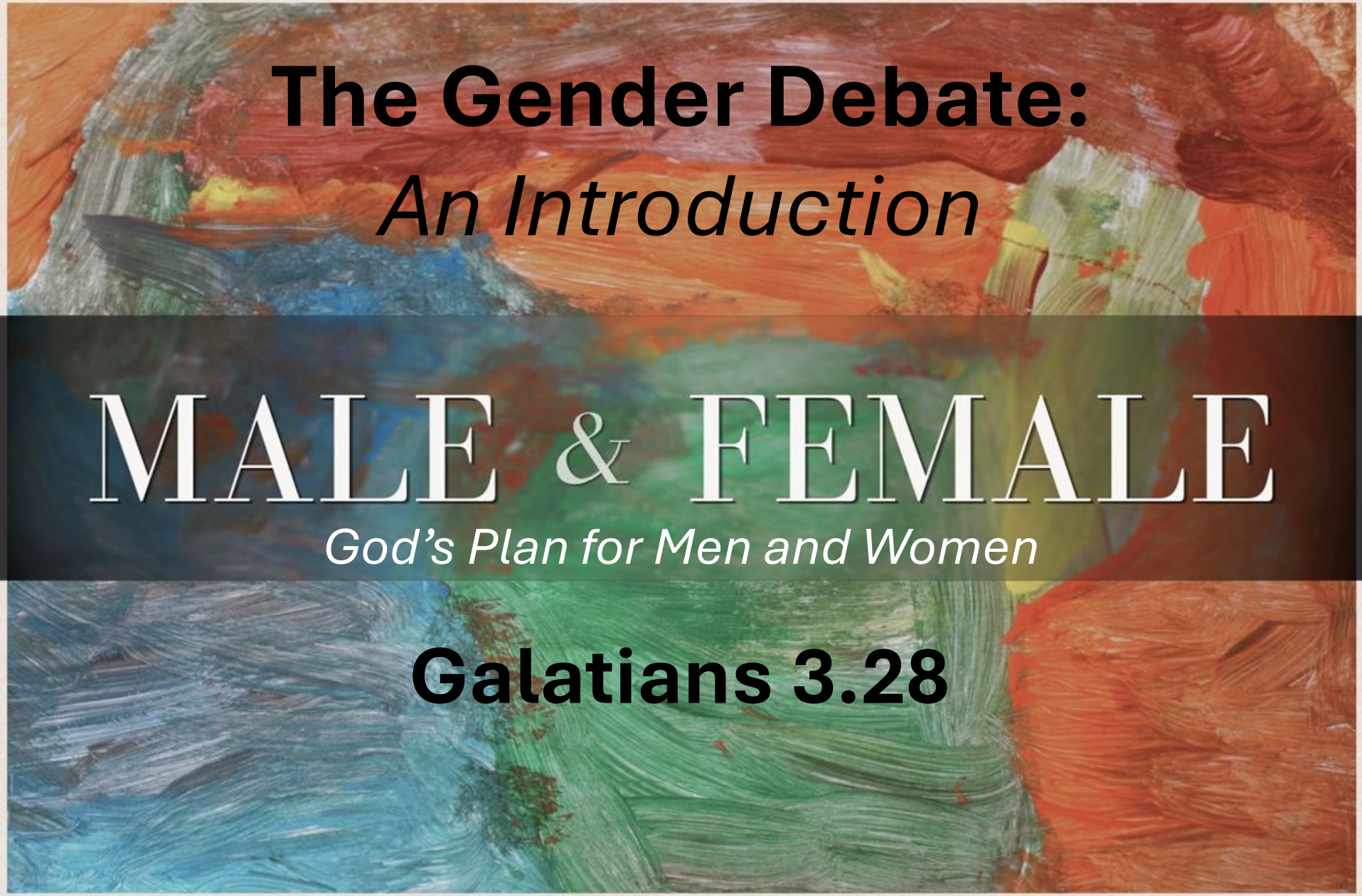

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Complementarian & Egalitarian


Complementarianism: Equal in worth, different in roles, with particular leadership responsibilities assigned to men
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Egalitarianism: Equal in worth and opportunities, with leadership determined by spiritual gifts, qualifications, and calling rather than gender


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