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PRAYER & ACTION GOALS

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EQUIP: Get equipped to share my joy more confidently with others by learning about the most challenging questions of our day and age.

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“The Good News about Gender”

1. Why God created gender and why our view of gender is so broken
2. The secular solution
3. The Biblical solution

Genesis 1:26-27

Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

²⁷ So God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them.

Genesis 2:7

then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature.

Genesis 2:18-23

Then the LORD God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him.” ¹⁹ Now out of the ground the LORD God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰ The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. ²¹ So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²² And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³ Then the man said,

“This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
she shall be called Woman,
because she was taken out of Man.”

1. Why God created Gender and why our view of Gender is so broken.

Genesis 1:31

And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good.



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Genesis 2:18-23

Then the LORD God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him.”

עֵזֶר “ezer” = “helper matching him”

God as “ezer” = ally and rescuer

“Not made out of his head to top him, not out of his feet to be trampled upon by him, but out of his side to be equal with him, under his arm to be protected, and near his heart to be loved.” –Matthew Henry

What went wrong?

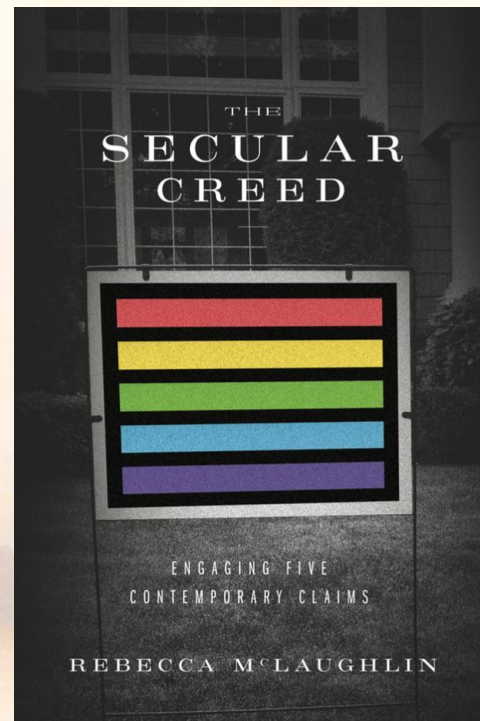


Genesis 16b

Your desire shall be contrary to your husband,
but he shall rule over you.”

2. Secular solution

“The sexual revolution of the 1960s was sold to us as the liberation of women. For centuries, men had been finding ways to sneak around marriage and have commitment free sex. Thanks to the pill, now women could as well. But in the last 60 years, despite gains in freedom and opportunities, women’s self-reported happiness in America has declined. Why? Part of the reason is that commitment-free sex is a poisoned chalice.” –Rebecca McLaughlin



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Non-Binary



Transgender



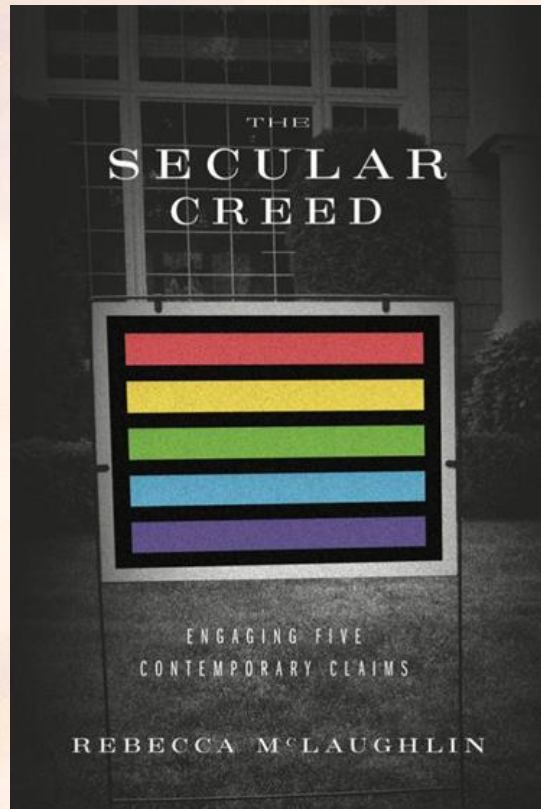
3. Biblical Solution

Genesis 1:27

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“Jesus’s Shocking Relationship With Women”

“If we could read the Gospels through first-century eyes, Jesus’s treatment of women could knock us to our knees.” –Rebecca McLaughlin



Identity



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Identity



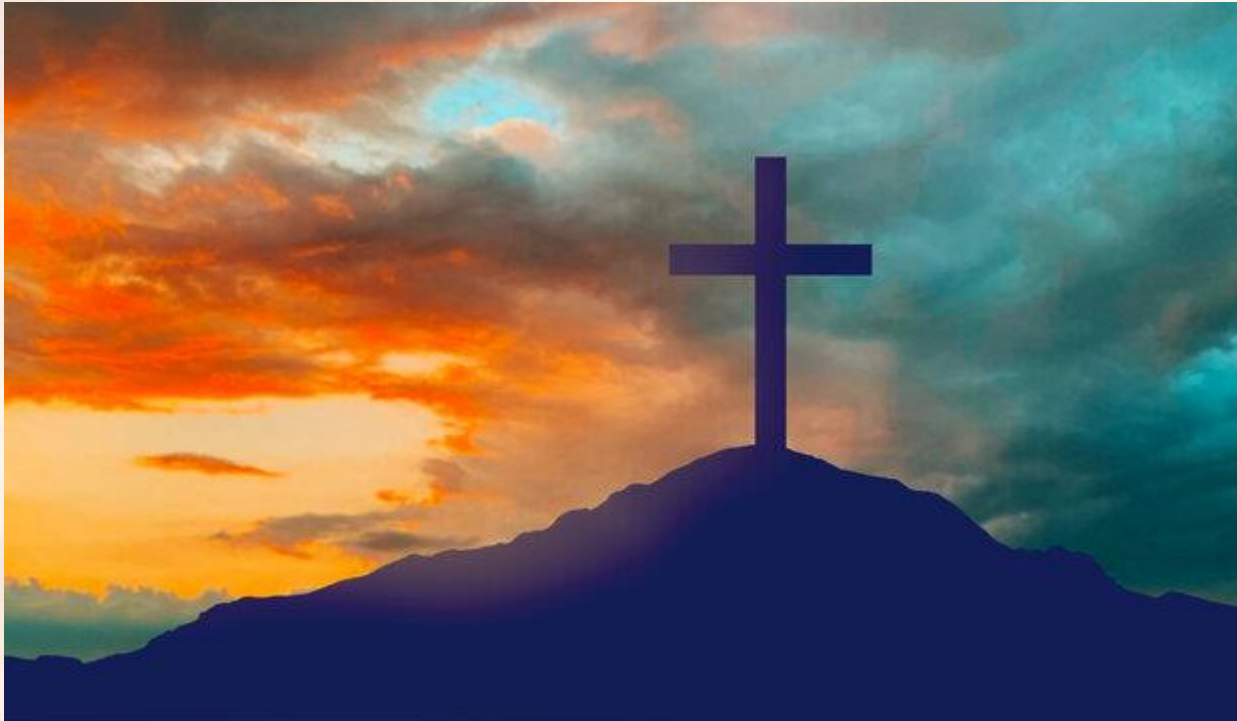
2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he [or she] is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

The Good News about Gender is that God created it.

The Bad News is we wrecked it.

The Best News is that he sent His Son to redeem it.



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