

Designer Gender
or
Gender designer?

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Becoming familiar with the vocabulary of our culture



New vocabulary

- **Agender** — A term for people who consider themselves to be without a gender.
- **Genderfluid** — A term for people who prefer to be flexible about their gender identity. They may fluctuate between genders (a man one minute, a woman the next, a third sex later in the day) or express multiple gender identities at the same time.
- **Genderqueer** — An umbrella term for gender identities that are not exclusively masculine or feminine. Sometimes referred to as non-binary, gender-expansive, pangender, or polygender.
- **Transgenderism** — An umbrella term for the state or condition of identifying or expressing a gender identity that does not match a person's physical/genetic sex.



What is “Gender dysphoria?”

“*Gender dysphoria* involves a conflict between a person’s physical or assigned gender and the gender with which he/she/they identify. People with gender dysphoria may be very uncomfortable with the gender they were assigned, sometimes described as being uncomfortable with their body (particularly developments during puberty) or being uncomfortable with the expected roles of their assigned gender.”

This gender confusion has resulted in a gross form of child abuse

According to the American College of Pediatricians: Young children are being permanently sterilized and surgically maimed under the guise of treating a condition that would otherwise resolve in over 80% of them. This is criminal. The American College of Pediatricians urges educators and legislators to reject all policies that condition children to accept as normal a life of chemical and surgical impersonation of the opposite sex. Facts – not ideology – determine reality.

HOW DID WE GET HERE?

TRADITIONAL IDENTITY	MODERN IDENTITY
External	Internal
Honor	Happiness
Chosen for you	You choose
Fit in	Stand out
Decisive validator: higher powers/parents	Decisive validators: you
You are your duties	You are your desires
You make the sacrifice for society	Society makes the sacrifice for you
Argument: happens inside (society>>then you wrestle in your heart)	Argument: happens outside (wrestle in your heart>>then go to society and demand acceptance)

Psalm 8

**A Foundational Psalm for
Counseling those in gender
confusion**



God's Design in Creation: We were made to glorify him

.Psalm 8:1,9





**Man's Response to
God's Design in
Creation: Faith or
Foolishness**

Psalm 8:2

two contrasting heart responses:

·Faith: Reverence for God's design and glory (v. 2a).

·Foolishness: Rejection of God's design and glory (v. 2b).



God's Revelation of His Glory in Creation: A contrast

.Psalm 8:3-8



two contrasting conclusions:

- .Conclusion based upon man's observation: Man is puny and insignificant (vv. 3-4).
- .Conclusion based upon God's revelation: Man is prominent and full of dignity (vv. 5-8).



God's Redemption of his design & glory: the gospel



Now Take them to Jesus!

New testament references to psalm 8

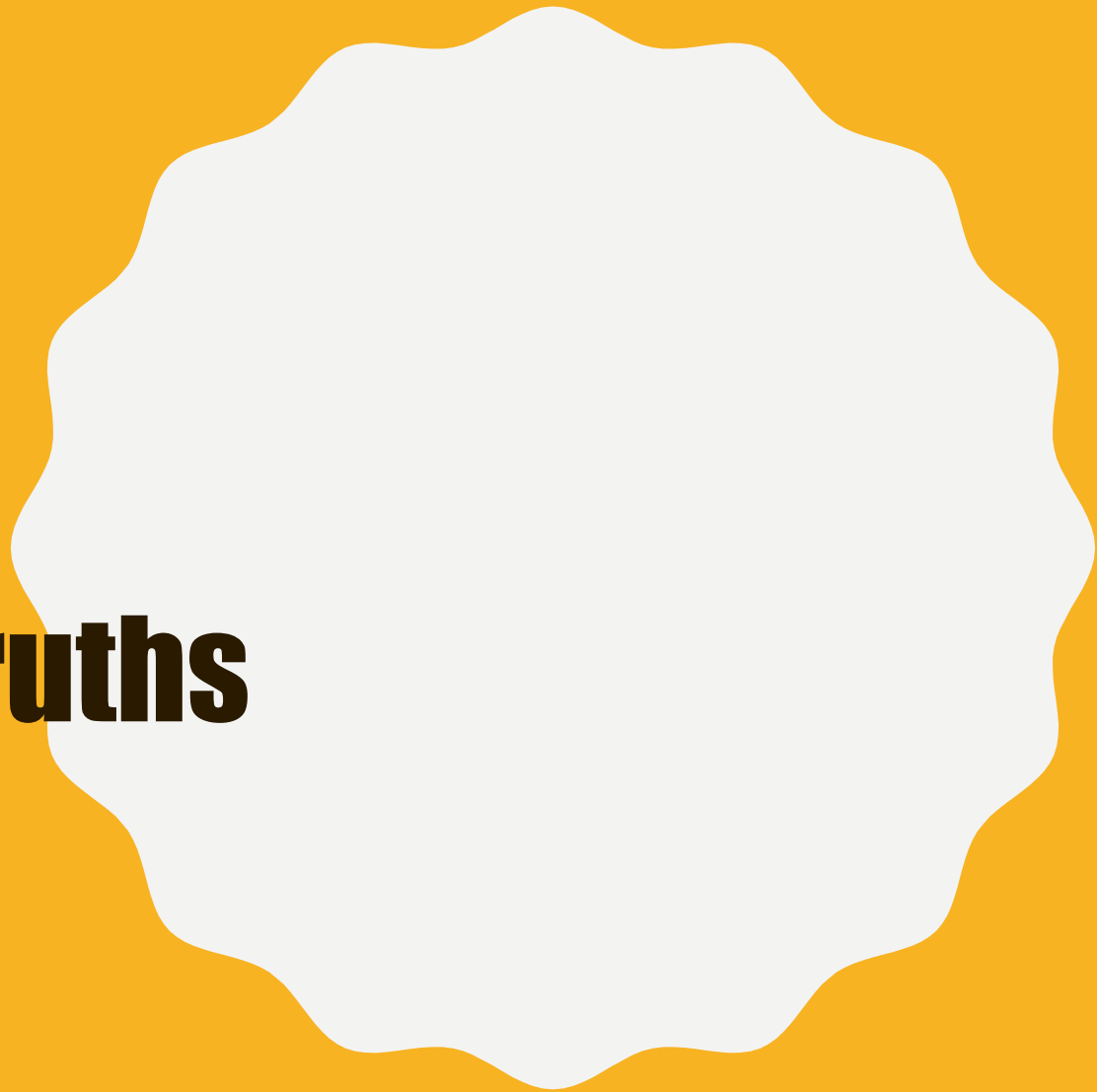
.Matthew 21:15-16 – children praised Jesus on that first “Palm Sunday.”

.Hebrews 2:5-10 – the writer of Hebrews teaches that Psalm 8 is speaking of Jesus, who ultimately fulfills its truth.

.1 Corinthians 15:27 – refers to final rule and authority of Christ, the King of Creation

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gospel truths



seven gospel truths for counseling those who are gender confused

1. You were created by God, in the image of God, as male or female, for His glory. This is God's good design (Gen. 1:1-28; Isa. 43:7; Col. 1:15-16; Rom. 11:36).
2. Under the influence of the devil, sin entered the world. In Adam, we all sinned and have gone astray from God's original design (Rom. 5:12-14; Isa. 53:6). But God loves you. He sent His Son to reconcile and redeem you, to die in your place, to be raised victorious, and to make you whole (Rom. 5:6-21).
3. Jesus is the compassionate Savior who invites you to repent, to come to Him with your burden, and He will carry it for you (Matt. 11:28-30).

4. By means of the gospel, the Spirit makes you a new creature and God gives you the gift of righteousness (2 Cor. 5:17-21). The Spirit unites you to Christ, which results in a new identity that will never change (Eph. 2:13; Rom. 6). This begins the process of restoring you into the image of your Creator and Redeemer (Phil. 1:6).

5. As a new creature in Christ you are under new ownership, which includes your physical body (1 Cor. 6:19-20).

6. God will continue to progressively transform you into the image of Christ. The Holy Spirit performs this sanctifying work as you behold Christ, the Second Adam and perfect fullness of humanity, while you put off the corrupt desires of the old man, renew your mind, and put on the new man (2 Cor. 3:18; Col. 3:5-10).

7. One day, God will make you fully whole and complete when you see Christ (Phil. 1:6; 1 John 3:1).

**We were Created by god, for god.
&
we are redeemed by God, for god.**

For from him and through him and to him are all things.

To him be glory forever. Amen.

(Romans 11:36)