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I. GENDER: CONFUSION

- ▶ Read Jer. 17:9. From this passage, why can we not base our truth off of our heart feelings? Give an example of how we try to do this sometimes?
- ▶ What do you think are some of the core reasons for gender confusion in our culture these days? What are people looking for deep in their heart?

II. GENDER: CREATION

- ▶ What does Genesis 1:26-27 and Matthew 19:4 say about gender and transgenderism?
- ▶ Genesis 1 gives clarity on the relationship between the creation and the Creator. Once sin came into the world, how did it bring confusion to the authority structure and how does that relate to gender confusion?
- ▶ How can you relate with having an authority problem, even if it's not rebellion against your gender?

III. GENDER: REDEMPTION

- ▶ Read 1 Cor. 6:19-20. Describe how God thinks of our bodies. What were our bodies made for?
- ▶ What are ways you may have not glorified God with your body?
- ▶ How does our ability to confess our own struggle to live under God's authority or glorify God with our body help us show compassion and love those with gender confusion?
- ▶ Describe what it means that you were bought with a price? What promise is made here in regards to all past failures and future hope of our bodies?

2 Books on This Topic

Transgender - Von Roberts

Love Thy Body - Nancy Pearcey

"The biblical ethic says our sexual identity has the high honor of being part of the moral structure of the universe"

"Christians must once again become known as those who honor the whole person. The reason they speak out on moral issues should not be because their beliefs are being threatened or because they feel 'offended!.... Christians must make it clear that they are speaking out because they genuinely care about people"

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