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The Word became flesh and dwelt among us. We observed his glory, the glory as the one and only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

JOHN 1:14

I have given them your word. The world hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. I am not praying that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, I also have sent them into the world.

JOHN 17:14-18

Grace is the free, underserved love and favor of God towards man, as a sinner.

GRACE: DEFINED

But God proves his own love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

ROMANS 5:8

I am the vine; you are the branches. The one who remains in me and I in him produces much fruit, because you can do nothing without me.

JOHN 15:5

“For the unbeliever that is SSA (same-sex attracted), God is not mainly calling them to be straight; He is calling them to Himself. To know Christ, love Christ, serve Christ, honor Christ, and exalt Christ, forever. When He is the aim of their repentance, and the object of their faith, they are made right with God the Father and given the power by the Holy Spirit to deny all sin – sexual and otherwise.”

JACKIE HILL PERRY

No one has greater love than this: to lay down his life for his friends.

JOHN 15:13

The highest, most pure form of love as a choice, not out of attraction or obligation. Pure, willful, sacrificial love that intentionally desires another's highest good. Sacrificial love that unites and heals.

DEFINITION: AGAPE LOVE

For God loved the world in this way: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.

JOHN 3:16

You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

JOHN 8:32

Truth is that which is consistent with the mind, will, character, glory and being of God. The self-expression of God.

DEFINITION: TRUTH

Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

JOHN 14:6

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, first to the Jew, and also to the Greek.

ROMANS 1:16

LEVITICUS 18:22

LEVITICUS 20:13

ROMANS 1:26-27

1 CORINTHIANS 6:9-10

1 TIMOTHY 1:9-10

So God created man in his own image; he created them male and female.

GENESIS 1:27

This is why a man leaves his father and mother and bonds with his wife, and they become one flesh.

GENESIS 2:24

God saw all that he had made, and it was very good..

GENESIS 1:31

For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.

EPHESIANS 5:31

Male/Female marriage “is a very profound reality at the heart of that whole story of God’s good creation.”

Therefore, “the coming together of male plus female is itself a signpost pointing to that great complementarity of God’s whole creation, of heaven and earth belonging together.”

N.T. WRIGHT

83% of the LGBT community were
raised in the Christian church.

51% of them left the church after
they turned 19 years old.

3% of LGBT+ people who left the church said they left primarily over the church's traditional beliefs about marriage and sexuality.

Most of the other 97% who left talked about relational mistreatment, not doctrinal harm.

The physical and biological dimensions of
being male and female.

DEFINITION: SEX

The psychological, social, and cultural aspects
of being male or female”

DEFINITION: GENDER

Your internal sense of who you are as male,
female, both, or neither.

DEFINITION: GENDER IDENTITY

How you relate to and adapt cultural
expectations of maleness and femaleness
(e.g. masculinity and femininity)

DEFINITION: GENDER ROLES

Umbrella term for the different ways someone might express or experience their gender in ways incongruent to their biological sex.

DEFINITION: TRANSGENDER

The experience of distress associated with the incongruence between one's psychological and emotional gender identity and one's biological sex.

DEFINITION: GENDER DYSPHORIA

An intersex person is someone who is born with some atypical feature in their sexual anatomy and/or sex chromosomes.

DEFINITION: INTERSEX

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

GENESIS 1:27

God saw all that he had made, and it was very good
indeed.

GENESIS 1:31

For you created my inmost being;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;
your works are wonderful,
I know that full well.
My frame was not hidden from you
when I was made in the secret place,
when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.
Your eyes saw my unformed body;
all the days ordained for me were written in your book
before one of them came to be.

PSALM 139:13-16

“What sorrow awaits those who argue with their Creator.

Does a clay pot argue with its maker?

Does the clay dispute with the one who shapes it, saying,

‘Stop, you’re doing it wrong!’

Does the pot exclaim,

‘How clumsy can you be?’

ISAIAH 45:9

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