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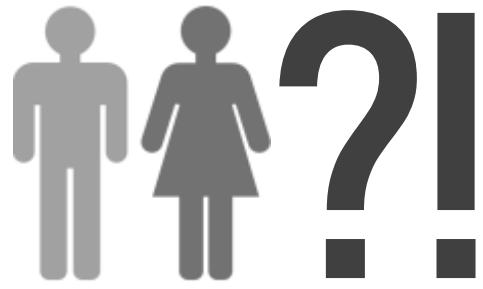


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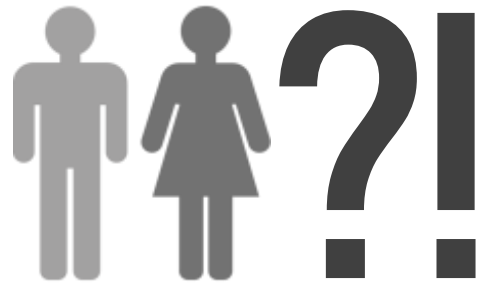
Conclusion, be non binary for the lord.





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- **Introduction:** Questions about gender are relevant to both ancient and modern cultures (Deut 22:5; e.g., Nero/Sporus). One recent term that needs attention is “non-binary gender.”
- **Definition:** The phrase “non-binary gender” is synonymous with “genderqueer,” falls within the realm of transgenderism, and differs from cisgender and intersex.
 - The sexual orientation of non-binary individuals is variable (i.e., “heterosexual,” “homosexual,” bisexual).
 - Non-binary individuals may label their gender (1) intermediate or separate, (2) multiple, (3) absent, or (4) fluctuating (i.e., genderfluid).



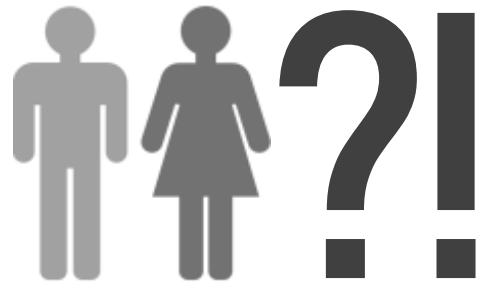
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Proponents claim that the apparent binary language in the creation story contextually allows for a spectrum of genders.

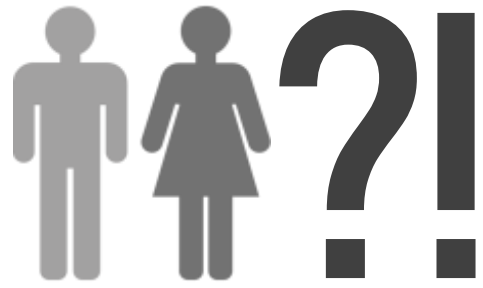


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**I will give thanks to You,
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Wonderful are Your works,
And my soul knows it very well.
(Ps 139:14 NASB)**

Proponents claim that God created the body and the mind, including the varying gender identities.

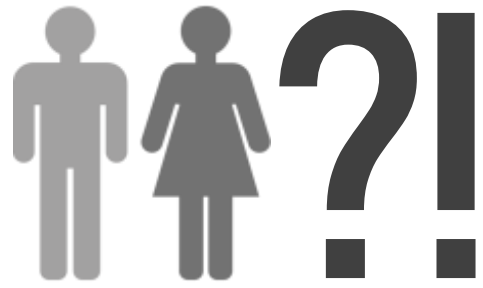


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Proponents claim that Christians ought no longer to recognize binary gender models (or allow power dynamics that divide the church).



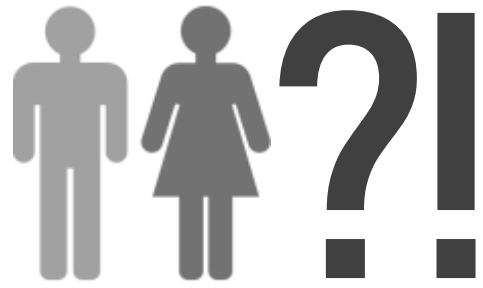
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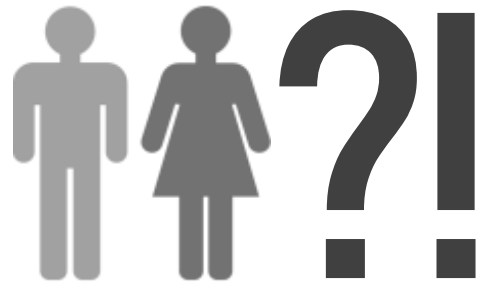
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Proponents also claim that God is an ungendered spiritual being (who is, in fact, three persons in one) and that humans, therefore, need not maintain binary gender distinctions.



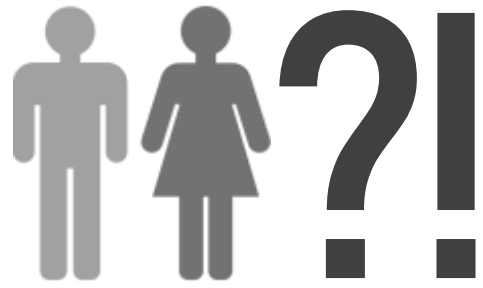
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- **Answer:** Christians must determine whether the preceding interpretations are viable, and if they are not, answer them. We will consider them in the order presented.
 - **Genesis 1:27:** A spectrum of genders (and of times and locations) is nonexistent in the immediate and remote context of Gen 1 (Gen 1:1, 5, 10; 2:7, 15, 22-24; 5:1-2; 6:19; Matt 19:4-5; 1 Cor 11:7-9, 11-12).
 - **Psalms 139:14:** The argument begins with the unproven premises that biological gender has little to do with identity and that God implants non-binary minds in individuals (Gen 1:27; Rom 1:26-27).
 - **Galatians 3:28:** Paul recognizes that males and females are different—just as Jews and Gentiles and slaves and freemen differ—but denies that gender precludes salvation and unity in Christ.



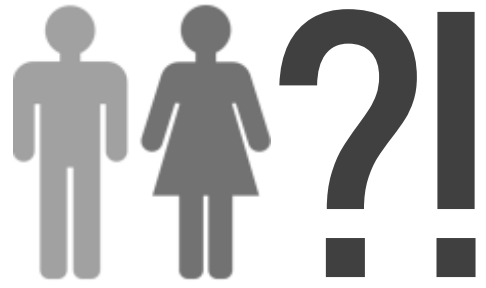
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 - **Genesis 1:27:** God is not gendered in a biological sense—though Jesus was in the incarnation—but he reveals himself in exclusively masculine (i.e., binary) terms (1 Cor 11:7; Eph 4:4-6; cf. Isa 66:13).



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- **Summary and Conclusions:** The Bible does not affirm a non-binary gender ideology. God create humanity to be male or female. Men and women today can be one in Christ, but they cannot ignore divinely appointed gender distinctions.
 - Those who adopt or accept non-binary gender identities distort and reject Scripture to their own destruction (Rom 1:21; 2 Pet 3:16).
 - As Christians, our responsibility is ...
 - **To love those who have become entangled in sin and try to convince them of their folly (Jude 22-23; Gal 6:1; Jas 5:19-20).**
 - **To stand for and preach the truth as it is revealed in the Bible—regardless of the consequences (Jude 3; Eph 4:14-15; 2 Tim 1:8).**



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