



I. By God's design, for God's purposes, for God's glory, men and women were created very differently, by God, in the image of God (Genesis 1:27 and Genesis 2:4-24).

II. A trip back through time

A. Psychology roots in the 1800 – 1900's were growing and expanding rapidly.

B. The fight against the truth of God's Word began to build on this foundation.

C. A desire for luxury living and material things ramped up significantly after WW2 and expanded on this foundation.

D. Pediatricians and other children and family "experts" began to pump out information on how to raise children and how to be a better parent.

1- Benjamin Spock was the first pediatrician to study psychoanalysis.

2- Spock wrote a book expounding on his ideas – it was called "*The Common Sense Book of Baby and Child Care.*"

E. All of this formed the perfect fuel for the rocket of relativism to take off in the early 60's in our society, our culture, and unfortunately, in the home.

III. Different sexes; different roles

A. Television portrayals in the 50's and 60's

B. Research backed brain differences between men and women:

- 1- There are many more dendrite connections between the lobes in the brains of women; women tend to communicate more effectively.
- 2- Men tend to process better in the left hemisphere of the brain while women process equally well between the hemispheres; men are better at left-brain activities.
- 3- The inferior-parietal lobule (IPL), which controls mathematical ability, is much larger on the left side in a man's brain while the right side, which processes sensory information and specific stimuli – like a baby crying in the night - is bigger in women.
- 4- Men's brains tend to have a "fight or flight" response to stress situations while women operate with a "tend and befriend" strategy. The hormone oxytocin is released during stress in everyone, but estrogen in women enhances oxytocin, while testosterone reduces the effects of oxytocin.
- 5- Men typically only process language in their dominant hemisphere, whereas women process language in both hemispheres; women have 30% more of Foxp2.
- 6- Women have a larger deep limbic system than men, which allows them to be more in touch with their feelings and better able to express them to others and be more empathetic.
- 7- Men's brains are around 12% bigger than women's brains; men on average are larger and they need more neurons to control their greater muscle mass and larger body size. Men have about 40% muscle mass in their bodies with 15% fat; women have approx. 30% muscle mass and 26% fat.

- 8- Men and women perceive pain very differently in the brain. That's all I'm going to say about that.
- 9- Men typically have stronger spatial abilities and they can judge distances much better than women.
- 10- The amygdala responds in a completely different way in men and women; men's brains are more easily visually stimulated.

C. Christians throughout history have always acknowledged and have always celebrated the differences between genders, as it's always been clear that while men and women are completely equal, God made them different for different roles. This pattern is shown with God the Father, and Jesus, God the Son – while they are all equally God, they have different roles.

1- Genesis 2:20-25

2- By God's beautiful design, there is headship and there is submission. And a man's and a woman's physical and physiological differences help them accomplish these different roles.

3- The fall corrupted headship and submission, turning them into something ugly.

IV. The rise of the sexual revolution

A. The feminist movement

B. Playboy Magazine

C. 1973 Supreme Court decision on abortion

D. Battle of the Sexes

E. The outcomes

- 1- The dispensing of birth control increased dramatically after being invented in the early 60's, leading many men and women to have "free sex" without the consequence of a baby.
- 2- The abortion rate of babies sky-rocketed to the tune of 60 million babies being brutally murdered as of this year.
- 3- Shows on TV began to depict more and more independent, young women living on their own, and more women entered the workforce, but the culture was foolishly ignoring the differences between men and women.
- 4- The rate of adultery and cohabitation sky-rocketed.
- 5- Dramatic increase of divorces
- 6- Dramatic increase of STD's being shared and passed to one another
- 7- The passing of no-fault divorces in states across the nation
- 8- Everything became sexualized.

F. Homosexuality

G. Buzzword: "Transsexualism"

H. Affordable Broadband Internet spreads across the world in the mid 90's

I. Buzzword: "Sexism"

J. Buzzword: "GNC" or "Gender Nonconforming"

K. Buzzword: "Genderqueer"

L. Pornography Stats

- 1- 25% of ALL search engine queries in the US are related to pornography, or about 68 million search queries.
- 2- 35% of ALL Internet downloads are related to pornography.
- 3- 40 million Americans regularly visit porn sites.
- 4- Every second 28,258 users are watching porn on the internet, \$3,100 is being spent, and 372 people are typing in the word “adult.”
- 5- Search engines now get almost 120,000 queries every day related to child pornography.
- 6- 68% of all divorce cases currently involves one spouse meeting someone on the internet, and 56% of divorce cases list “pornographic addiction” as a reason for the divorce.
- 7- 40% of men enslaved to pornography end up losing their spouse, 58% suffer considerable financial losses, and 1/3 lose their jobs.
- 8- The porn industry around the world now rakes in over \$150 BILLION in yearly revenue.

M. How did this happen?

- 1- Men and women, made in the image of God, continue to work hard at finding hope in creating their own life, and finding their own story and their own freedom, not in Jesus’ offer of salvation and in God’s story, but in their sexuality.
- 2- In doing so, they worship the creation, not the Creator.

V. 2015 – present

A. Bruce Jenner, April 2015

B. SCOTUS ruling, June 2015

1- Justice Anthony M. Kennedy: *“No longer may this liberty be denied! No union is more profound than marriage, for it embodies the highest ideals of love, fidelity, devotion, sacrifice and family. In forming a marital union, two people become something greater than once they were. Marriage is a keystone of our social order, and the plaintiffs in this case were seeking equal dignity in the eyes of the law.”*

2- Changes in admission requirements of several all-women and all-men universities

C. Facebook launches “Celebrate Pride and Marriage Equality” tool for profile pictures (June 2015).

D. Playboy is the victim of its own sad success (October 2015).

E. President Obama issues a directive to public schools on how to accommodate transgender students in school restrooms (May 2016).

F. Target makes headlines with their promise to allow people to use the restroom that matches their gender identity, not their biology (Spring 2016).

G. Studies emerge showing transgender individuals who decide to have sex change surgeries experience an 18x higher suicide rate than the national average.

H. APA changes (fall 2016).

I. President Trump rescinds Obama’s public school transgender directive, and the United States Supreme Court declines to hear a case regarding transgender students and restrooms (February 2017).

J. Church of England spends four days discussing and debating the issue of LGBTQ orientation (July 2017).

K. Nashville Statement released (August 2017).