

The Androgyny Deception

Part 4

“Androgyny Today”

We have been learning about a powerful movement that is permeating society today. In it is a strong endeavor to remove the distinctions between men and women.



The ramifications of this crusade will affect each one of us, especially those who desire to stand firmly on the Word of God and His principles.

Our quest in this presentation will be to consider what we can do to stand against the tide of this ungodly gender bending effort.

This is the continuation of our study on fashions that tend to blur the distinction between men and women.



We have seen how, in the mid-1800's, spiritualistic, women's rights advocates wore knee length or shorter dresses over pants. We read that Ellen G. White declared that this was an abomination to God because it violated Deuteronomy 22:5. It was too close to men's wear. She prophesied that this practice would cause confusion and great increase of crime. Let's continue on from where we left off.

We will be looking at the progression of fashion from 1870 to our current day



The five decades from 1870-1910 were tending toward a more healthful style of dress. No more hoops, no more dragging dresses, no more heavy weight on the hips, no more corsets.



Skirts not dragging, waists not compressed.

1870

1880

1890

1900

1910



1920



1930



1940



1950

The next four decades made startling changes to the hemlines. Pants and tailored suits were becoming popular in the 1950's.



1960



1970



1980



1990

Pant suits, mini skirts, bell bottoms, unisex styles became popular in the next four decades.

Over the years, Satan used fashion to promote rising hemlines. This was a violation of the principles of health and modesty. It tended to cause the exposed legs to become chilled.



1930 Fashion Show

If you look at photographs of our SDA sisters over the years, you will notice that their hemlines rose correspondingly to the world's.



At first the stockings were thick. Then they became thinner, until today, bare legs under knee length skirts are common.

With the legs exposed, with only a thin covering, women have suffered with cold legs for decades.



When Satan introduced a fashion that would keep the legs warm—pants on women, it seemed logical and sensible to accept it. Satan seeks to “correct” a wrong fashion by introducing another wrong fashion.

In this depiction of the history of dress from 1400-2000, you will notice women had on long dresses for 5 centuries, until after 1900.



1400

1500

1600

1700



1800

1920

1950

1960

2000

**Then, for 6 decades fashion raised the hemlines.
Mini skirts gave way to pants after the 1960's.**



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How much does fashion influence what we wear?



Let's talk about one of the most influential fashion designers in the last 60 years. Yves Saint Laurent. It is said of him:

“Yves Saint Laurent reigns as one of the most influential and inspired designers in the world. He was the father of modern fashion and last of the great French couturiers.

“When he was beginning his career in the late 1950s, women and their lives were about to change. He opened doors with his mild and always elegant gender-bending, putting women in pants and safari looks.



“In the next two decades he revolutionized women's fashion, pioneering mini dresses, the trouser suit and le smoking, the square shouldered tuxedo for women. Yves Saint Laurent changed the way women dress more than they know. But his most *enduring legacy* is so *pervasive* as to seem almost unremarkable: pants... He led a decadent social life, and was plagued with depression, alcoholism and drugs. He also broke ground as one of the first homosexual men to gain sufficient power and celebrity that he did not have to deny his sexuality.”



**Did Yves Saint Laurent influence the way Seventh-day Adventist women dress?
For those following the fashions of the world, the answer is—
ABSOLUTELY.**



Would God have His daughters choose what they wear based on the influence of a godless fashion designer who intentionally blurred the distinction between men's and women's clothing?

How can we escape such a pervasive influence?

There is only one way.

EGW: “We are aware that as we speak and write upon the subject of woman's dress we have to stem the current of custom. It is manifest that most women do not think and act in reference to dress from reason and reflection. *They accept, without questioning, that which society and fashion imposes upon them.* Few have the moral courage to wear a dress in opposition to fashion.” {HR, May 1, 1872 par. 2}

We must pray for MORAL COURAGE to stem the current of custom. We must reflect carefully on what we choose to wear, and base it on godly principles, not on worldly fashion.

Have you ever heard this quote:

“They will not be the first to adopt the new styles of dress or the last to lay the old aside”?

Unfortunately, this statement is in our Church Manual. Many people mistakenly believe that it was written by Ellen White.

Thus, they conclude that Ellen White gave approval for our sisters to follow the fashions of the world, just as long as we aren't the first ones to wear it.



Ellen G. White did not write that statement, and it does NOT reflect God's principles. She says quite the opposite:

EGW: “Fashion is deteriorating the intellect and eating out the spirituality of our people. Obedience to fashion is pervading our Seventh-day Adventist churches and is doing more than any other power to separate our people from God.” {4T 647.2}



We find no encouragement in the Bible or the Spirit of Prophecy to follow the fashions of the world. Rather, we find strong statements such as these:



“And as soon as any have a desire to imitate the fashions of the world, that they do not immediately subdue, just so soon God ceases to acknowledge them as His children.” {1T 136.1}





**In the 1850's-1860's,
Satan worked with the
Spiritualists and
Feminists to induce
women to wear
masculine clothing.**

**What those women did
back then helped pave
the way for the
removal of gender
distinction between
men's and women's
clothing.**



That seed of rebellion against God's order of creation has born fruit in a host of evils in our present-day society.

Defiance against God-ordained authority is at the core of all rebellion.



**Is this the kind of woman
Seventh-day Adventist
Christian women should copy
in their appearance?**

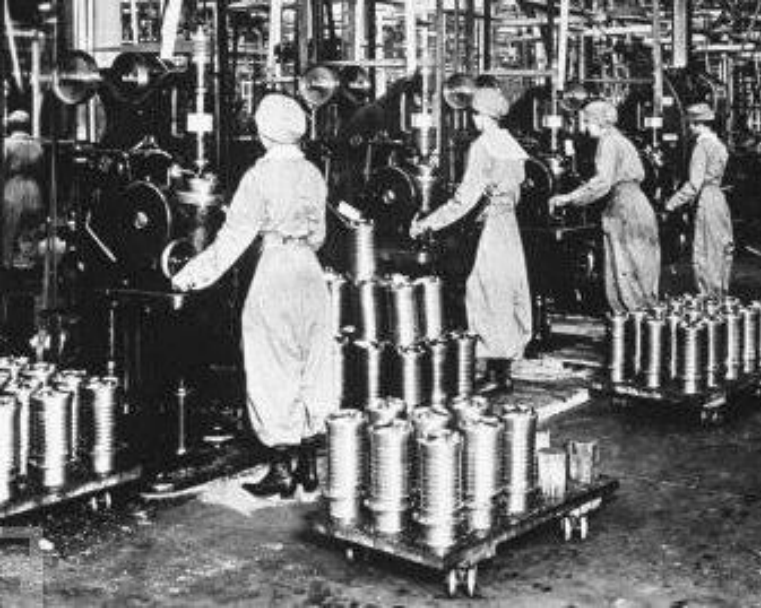
**Today's
fashions
didn't just
come out
of the
blue.**

Marilyn Monroe



The feminist movement, communism, the military and the homosexual agenda have all promoted the removal of the distinction between the sexes.





World War 1



War helped to further Satan's goals of having women wear men's clothing.



World War 2



He used famous people and movie stars to get society used to the idea of women in pants.





Marlene Deitrich cross dressed. God calls cross dressing an abomination.



**From a fashion website:
“Morocco—the Movie that
Changed the Fashion Game.
Unlike the traditional
fashion, this film introduced
‘pants’ and ‘tuxedos’ for
women, which discovered
an amazing hidden beauty of
women.**

**After the film was released in 1930, Pants became
the most sizzling sensation for women. Women
have copied men’s fashion from this film in 1930,
but will a day come when men will copy women’s
fashion?”**



A fashion expert wrote in 2011. “Two of the standout trends for this Spring are pants and menswear-inspired looks. Women have always been influenced by what they see on the big screen, but I think it’s safe to say that in this case, film fashion was definitely the original stimulator for what made these looks normal today. It was unheard of for women to wear anything other than skirts until the 1930s when actresses Marlene Dietrich and Katharine Hepburn made pants fashionable.”



From a fashion blog created to share and embrace the concept of transforming menswear into woman's fashion: "I know I had recently posted that Katharine Hepburn was one of the leading ladies to wear pants but legendary Coco Chanel wore the pants first.

"Coco Chanel was different. She abided by her own set of rules, lived life and made things her way. Chanel designed clothing that was fitted and comfortable to a woman's figure, even if it meant wearing male clothing.

"She stood out in her different, creative ideas, and the fact that she enjoyed wearing men's clothing." <http://www.mybfcloset.com/2009/09/rewind-coco-chanel-wore-the-pants-first/>

When fashions become popular in the movies, they spread like wildfire. Just about everyone follows along.

How else could women have gone from dresses to pants in such a short time!



Does an Abomination turn into an approved practice just by the passing of years?



Unisex style jeans were popular in the 1970's

Many SDA Christians followed this fashion without giving it much thought.



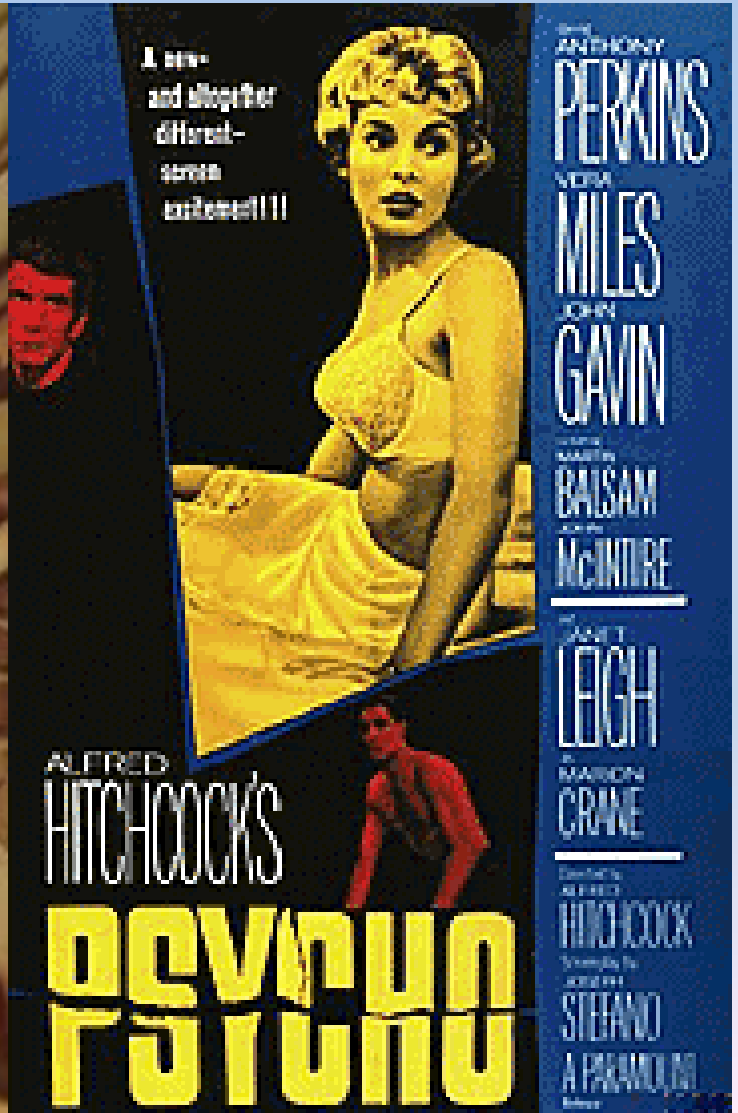
Instead of doing what seems right in our own eyes, we need to stop and think about what God wants!



Cross dressing has a tantalizing appeal. Many who are not tempted to cross dress are entertained by those who do.



Satan has used the media to promote cross dressing for years. Society has been entertained and amused at this abomination.



ROBIN WILLIAMS SALLY FIELD
MRS. DOUBTFIRE



Well over 100 major movies featured cross dressing even before the year 2000. It's greatly accelerating now.

Everybody has a secret...
Duke **wants** Olivia who **likes** Sebastian who is really Viola whose brother is **dating** Monique so she **hates** Olivia who's with Duke to make Sebastian **jealous** who is really Viola who's **crushing** on Duke who thinks she's a guy...



Gender bending started with clothing.

The enemy has kept up his unwearied efforts until he has successfully blurred the distinction between men's and women's clothing.





Now we're totally accustomed to seeing women wear men's clothes at work.



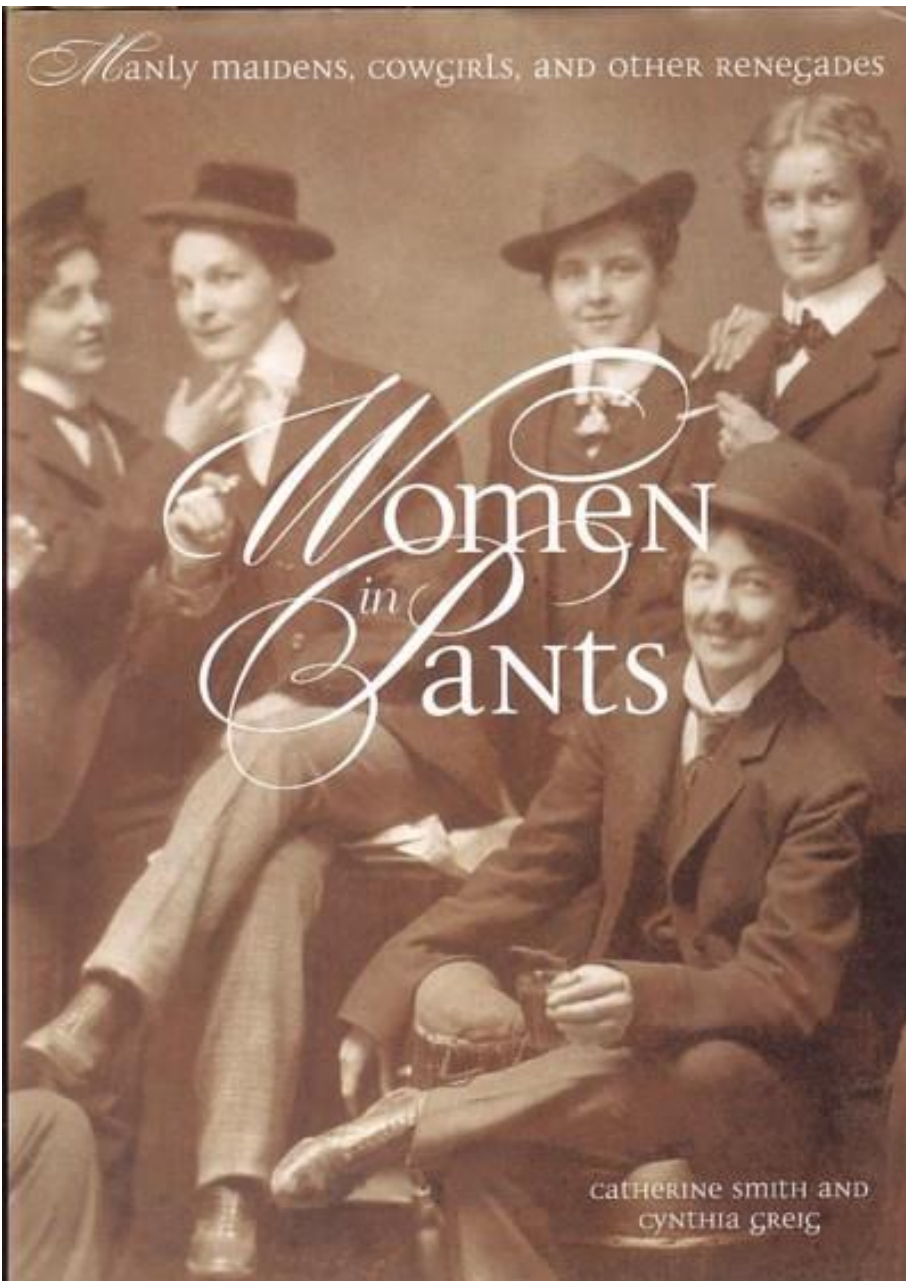
Here is a sample that shows how fashion has tended toward blurring the distinction between men and women.

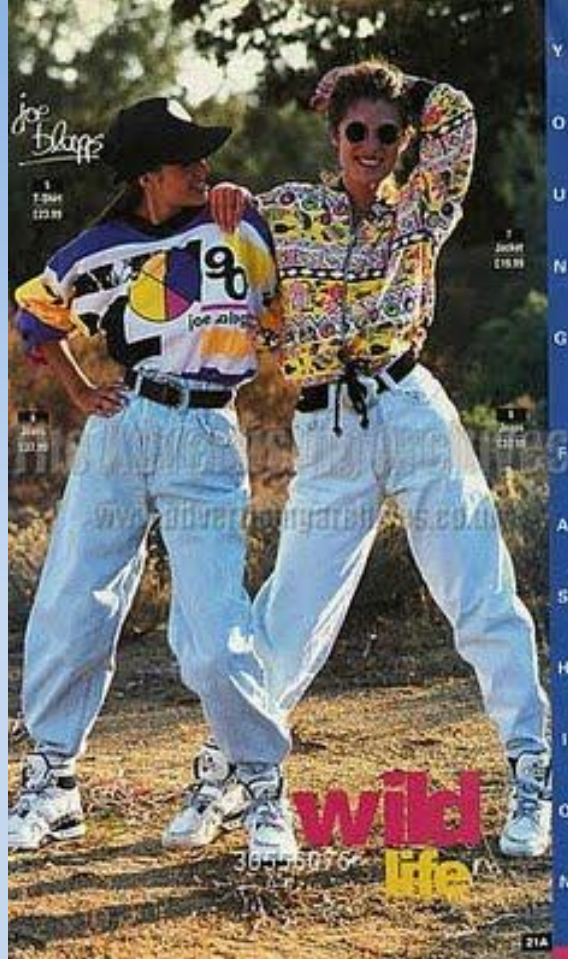


Where is the "plain distinction" between the dress of men and women that God wants us to have?



Are we following in the footsteps of rebels?





"The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment:



for all that do so are abomination unto the LORD thy God." Deuteronomy 22:5

The lines of distinction between the dress of men and women have been increasingly blurred. And it's going to get worse!





God's prophetess, in speaking about the American Costume, said, "There is an increasing tendency to have women in their dress and appearance as near like the other sex as possible, and to fashion their dress very much like that of men, but God pronounces it abomination." {1T 457.2}

“Trousers for women were considered “indecent” or “shocking” during the early 1900's and were considered men's attire.”—Mary Jewell, Feminism 101, Examiner.com



Does God now approve of that which was obviously an abomination in His eyes?



What used to be shocking is now totally acceptable in our society.



Where is the line between abomination and God-approved?

Fashion is very confusing these days.



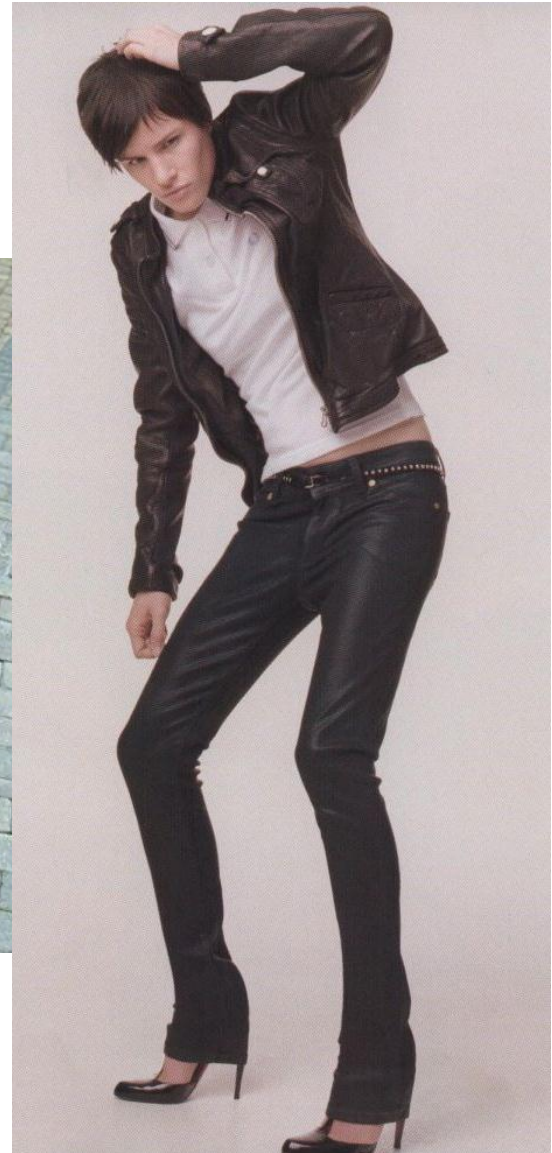
But as if that's not bad enough, now Satan is working on the men, to get them to wear feminine clothing!



Nothing shocks us any more.



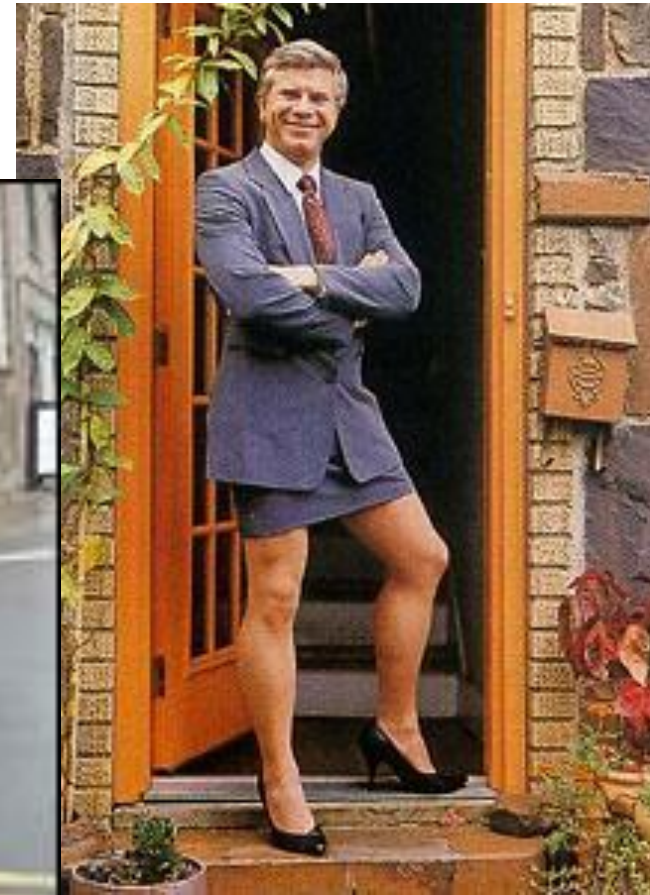
Skinny Jeans for the guys!



Can you tell if these are men or women?



Now there are skirts for men!



“A Matter of Style” fashion blog reports on the latest fashions for men.





“Clothes that are a thermometer of social custom tell us that the differences between man and woman are becoming less defined and rigid. With the affirmation of women rights a new androgynous model of being is emerging.”

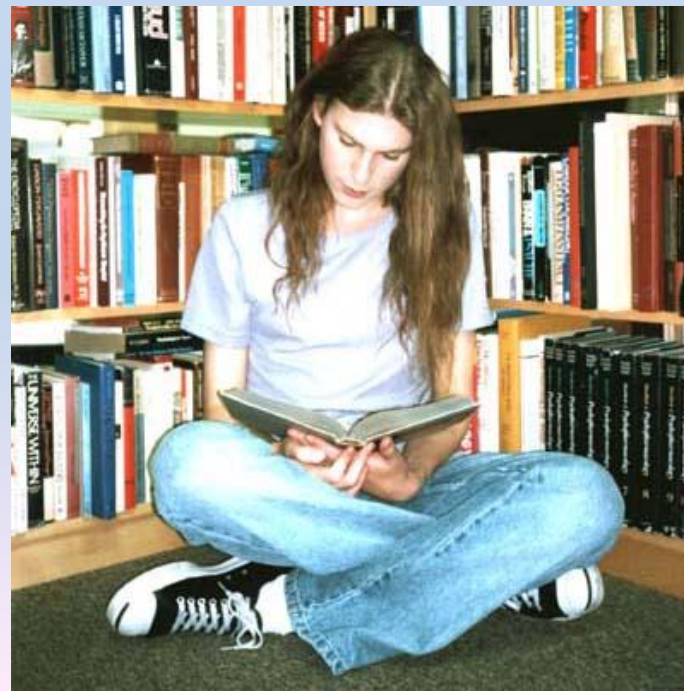
Male cross dressing is the latest rage!



Male cross dressers justify their actions by reasoning, “After all, women wear pants. So why can’t we wear dresses?”



Gender confusion is becoming a real problem.



Same-sex marriage is a prominent issue.



Homosexuality is at an all time high!

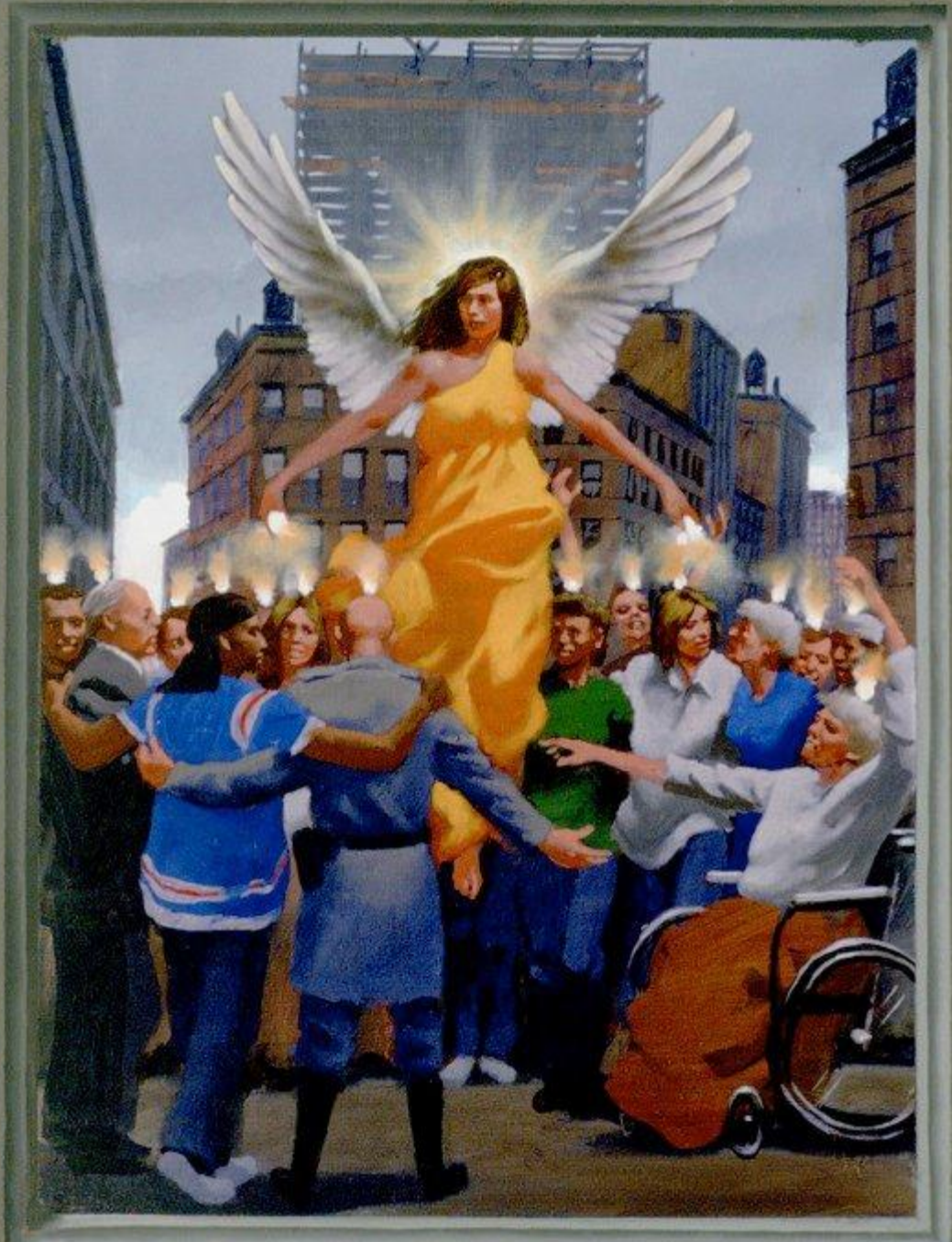


Lesbianism is celebrated!



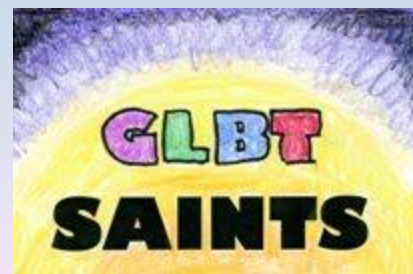
Friends and relatives join in support of a same-sex commitment ceremony





THE HOLY SPIRIT ARRIVES

The practices that God calls an abomination are exalted by pagans, Wiccans and many feminists to be the highest spiritual attainment.





EGW: “There is no virtue in closing the eyes to these threatening dangers while you are allowing your minds to become infatuated and held in slavery to fashion's claims.”
{HR, June 1, 1877 par. 8}



Now we can see the great wisdom in God's counsel:

“God designed that there should be a *plain distinction* between the dress of men and women, and has considered the matter of sufficient importance to give *explicit directions* in regard to it; for the same dress worn by both sexes would cause confusion and great increase of crime.”

{CG 427.3}

Is not this confusion but a harvest of the rebellion which began in the 1850's? It was an intentional blurring of the distinction between the sexes. Now we are seeing androgynous fashions.



Androgyny = not distinguishable as male or female.

“Androgynous fashion is everywhere these days, so it is important to have a clear understanding of this current trend.”—fashion designer, 2012



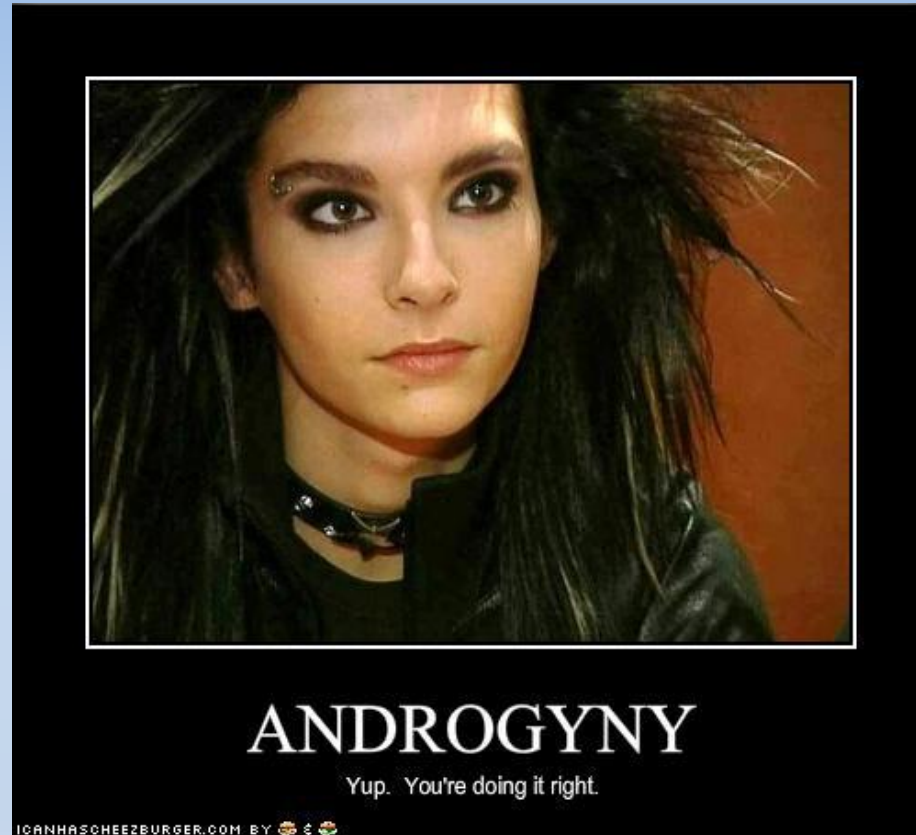
If you study the history of androgyny, you will understand that it is a rebellious defiance against God's creation order, and has been manifested in pagan religions throughout history.



Androgynous People - Male or female?



It is Satan's agenda to blur the distinction between the sexes!



Cross dressing delights the devil.

Unisex clothing is created by his design.

Androgyny is his goal. He started with the clothing.

**We NEED to understand
what Satan is up to!**



ANDROGYNY

Confusing you since the Hansons.



Androgyny

Makes you question your sexuality

**By blurring gender
boundaries, he reverses
God's plan for the human
race.**

By participating in any aspect of his rebellion, we are furthering his agenda.



We need to become alert and aware of the subtle delusion that has been creeping over us for years!



Satan wants to numb us, so we don't even recognize his most blatant attack on our Lord, and His Creatorship.

Androgyny is an Abomination to Jesus. And it's breaking His heart.



Feminism has taken up the evil agenda. Virginia Woolf, (described as one of the most important and influential feminist writers of the twentieth century), wrote about Marxist and materialist feminism and emerging androgyny.



**Virginia Woolf
1882-1941**



“Feminists today celebrate ambiguity, tolerance and androgyny. They refuse to think in terms of “us-them” in regards to men. In this 3rd wave, women seek to erase their femininity and encourage men to abandon masculinity. Women and men become gender neutral.”



<http://unlockingfemininity.com/terminology/>

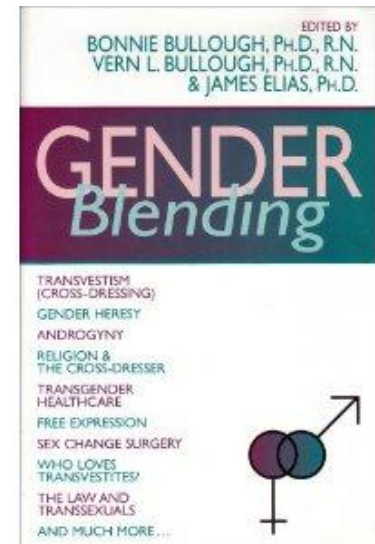
Satan doesn't propose to make everyone sexual deviants or cross dressers. His goal is to so familiarize us with these abominations that we lose the sense of the sinfulness of sin. Those who tolerate and accept sin come to agree with Satan's agenda, which is incompatible with the mind of Christ.

First we abhor,

Then we ignore,

Then we tolerate,

Then we participate!

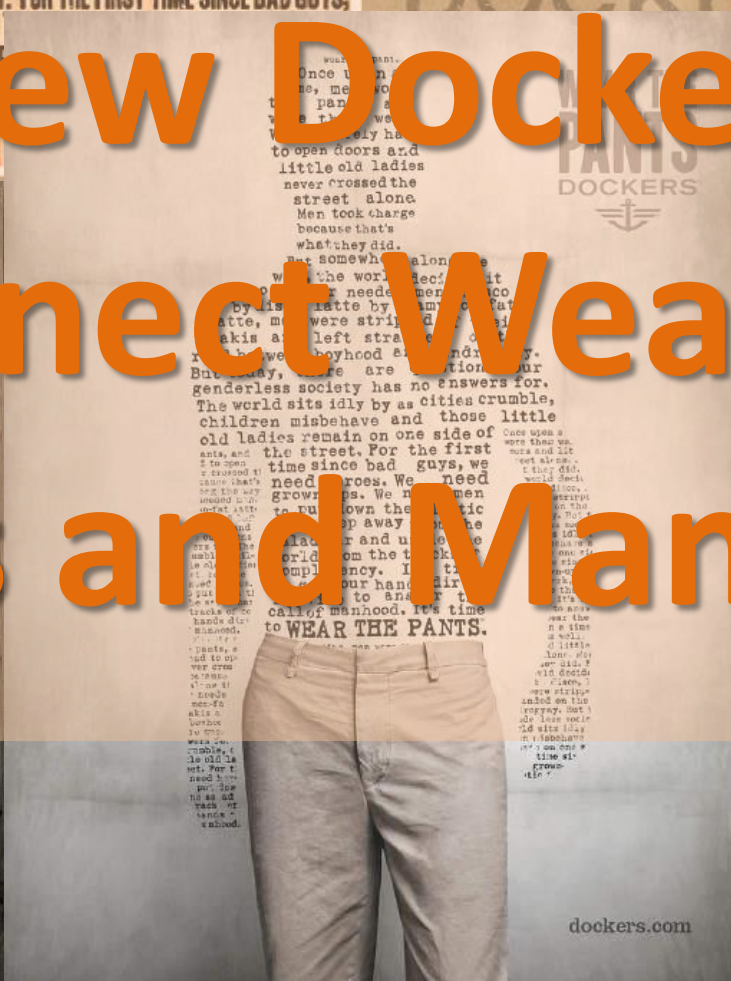


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WEAR THE PANTS DOCKERS



SHOP NOW



The new Dockers ads connect Wearing Pants and Manhood



The new Dockers ad, meant to be funny, contains a lot of tragic truth:

Once upon a time, men wore the pants, and wore them well. Women rarely had to open doors, and little old ladies never crossed the street alone. Men took charge because that's what they did. But somewhere along the way, the world decided it no longer needed men.

DOCKERS

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IT'S TIME TO WEAR THE PANTS.**

SHOP MEN'S SHOP WOMEN'S

Disco by disco, latte by foamy non-fat latte, men were stripped of their khakis and left stranded on the road between boyhood and androgyny. But today, there are questions our genderless society has no answers for. The world sits idly by as cities crumble, children misbehave, and those little old ladies remain on one side of the street.

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For the first time since bad guys, we need heroes. We need grown-ups. We need men to put down the plastic fork, step away from the salad bar, and untie the world from the tracks of complacency. It's time to get your hands dirty. It's time to answer the call of manhood. It's time to WEAR THE PANTS!

The association between women's God-ordained role in the home and in the church, and God's desire regarding women's dress are closely connected.



In the major biblical passages regarding the distinctiveness between men and women, there is a correlation between the roles and the clothing of women.



Here is what we find about clothing:

Genesis 1 – 3 – God provides modest clothes after sin.

1 Timothy 2 – Women are to dress in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety.

1 Corinthians 11 – Women are to show submission by their dress, especially at church!

Ephesians 5 – The church, God's pure and modest bride, is presented without spot or wrinkle in her garments.

1 Peter 3 – Women are not to wear prideful adornment or apparel, but have a meek and quiet spirit.

The biblical role of women is closely linked with what they are to wear!



The way a women dresses has a major impact on her willingness to submit to her God-ordained role.

Rebellion against God's order is often first revealed in the dress.





Satan knew that if he could effectively blur the distinction between men's and women's clothing, he would have a clear track to remove the distinction between the roles of men and women.



If he succeeds in blurring the distinction between gender roles, he will have an easy time blurring all sexual distinction between men and women.



That leads to extreme sexual confusion and perversion.



GENDER CONFUSION

We were bombed...twice. What's your excuse?

**Today gender confusion is rapidly increasing.
What paved the way for this mess?**



Have we not followed the fashions of the world in accepting this tendency to dress like the opposite sex?



Here are some of the latest fashions – ladies looking like men . . .



And men looking like ladies.

Here is something very serious to consider:

Many of the fashions that are coming out are termed **androgynous** fashions. The fashion designers are using the term “channeling” the fashions. Are they referring to the **androgynous mindset** that the spirit guides are bringing upon society?

By wearing these fashions, could we be accepting the influence of the evil spirits that inspire them?

Let's consider what the fashion designers are saying:

A fashion blogger writes:
“I am **channeling the androgynous trend** today and let me tell you, do I feel fierce! I'm intrigued by the juxtaposition of a super feminine silhouette with just a touch of menswear chic - there is **something so fun** about mixing masculine pieces with feminine flair.

<http://www.stylesbyola.com/2012/02/androgyny.html>



“The full trend may not be for everybody, but there are many elements that you can make work just for you. A touch of **androgyny** can be as straightforward as adding a ball cap or fedora to a flirty dress, or mixing in a pair of suspenders with jeans and a tee.

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“Chanel goes androgynous for women's fall/winter 2011/2012

“Chanel’s Ready to Wear women’s collection for Fall/Winter 2011/2012 is decidedly androgynous with its menswear focus!”

<http://www.examiner.com/slideshow/chanel-goes-androgynous-for-womens-fall-winter-2011-2012>



“Get your swag on ladies because we’re going all manly this season. That’s right, after a few cameo appearances the **androgynous trend** has now made its way into the **forefront of the fashion game** with everyone from Alexa Chung to Kate Moss wearing this look.”

<http://www.shinystyle.tv/2011/06/celebrity-and-designer-trends-androgyny-as-seen-on-alexa-chung-emma-watson-and-rihanna.html?pid=7361>



“On the other end of the scale take note of Alexa Chung’s black frock with tux styling, which we think is perfect for girly girls who **want to channel** this look.”

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“Androgyny is back in fashion, so man up, ladies

“The most provocative woman may look more like a man.

“Many designers continue to **channel** Yves Saint Laurent's '70s sensibility.”

<http://www.chron.com/life/article/Androgyny-is-back-in-fashion-so-man-up-ladies-2149848.php>



So, if we “follow the fashions of the world,” as we have been warned NOT to do, we will soon end up wearing androgynous fashions.

We won't even have to try to be androgynous, but just buy what's out there.

The point is, dear sisters, from now on, if we want to steer clear of this androgynous spirit, we will need to be very deliberate in avoiding it.

We can't just wear what everyone else is wearing, or we will be cooperating with Satan's master deception of androgyny.

“Androgynous fashion blurs traditional rules of style”



“On the streets of fashion capitals around the world, a sexual revolution is emerging. But this modern movement has nothing to do with free love, and everything to do with the fashion-forward freedom to **blur traditional gender lines** in expressing personal style.” (Cont. next slide)

<http://insite.artinstitutes.edu/androgynous-fashion-blurs-traditional-rules-of-style-21858.aspx>

Notice what these fashion instructors are saying:

Bo Breda says: “While women began adopting menswear into their wardrobes early in the 20th century, men only recently began experimenting with the markers of traditional women’s fashion.” “You have the idea of, ‘Let’s get the man out of the pants.’”

KelliRae Sebwe, says: “All of the roles are blurring.” Fashion comes out of not just a desire for clothing; fashion always points back to political, economic, social, religious factors. So if society changes and the role of men changes, their fashion changes.”

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Did not these 19th century women help to pave the way for the sexual confusion all around us today?



We need to ask ourselves the serious question, Do we as SDA women dress similar to men?



**Has not the wearing of pants
by women in the church
shown acceptance of the
gender bending scheme?**



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MRS. ANNIE JENNINGS MILLER'S "AMERICAN COSTUME"

Androgynous Nation - The Prevalence of Jeans

BY SILAS REINAGEL



“Everywhere you go, women are wearing jeans. Old women and young girls, trendy chicks and frumpy gals, gorgeous babes and grotesque women all have a commonality in that they all wear jeans.

(Continued)

“In fact, since the rise of feminism (which is quite a misnomer, since it diametrically opposes all things feminine), American culture has set forth an **androgynous** ideal in nearly every aspect of life. In many ways, this cultural shift is perfectly mirrored and revealed by the very clothing modern people wear. Personally, I think that the prevalence of jeans and other unisex clothing flawlessly illustrates the fact that modern America neither understands masculinity and femininity nor values them.



“The truth is, a woman wearing jeans is something much bigger than simply the wardrobe choice of a single individual. Either consciously or unconsciously, it is a **symbol of conformity with the modern utopian ideal**, which is based on the flawed premise that there is **no ultimate difference between men and women.**”

The Androgynous Agenda promotes

Feminism's view that gender roles are *interchangeable*.

Androgynous fashions that blur the distinction between the sexes

Women as spiritual leaders.

Male headship in the home as undesirable.

Total equality between men and women in all areas.

Today, the mainstream fashion trends promote the Androgynous Mindset.

The Androgynous Mindset is being discussed in business journals, the news, and everywhere.

The Androgynous Mindset is the theme of many books, songs, movies, video games, etc.

The Androgynous Mindset has become an idol that is worshipped by the vast majority of society.

Is it possible for us to worship this idol by merely accepting the philosophy of gender blending?

EGW: “Though in a different form, idolatry exists in the Christian world today as verily as it existed among ancient Israel in the days of Elijah. The god of many professedly wise men, of philosophers, poets, politicians, journalists—the god of polished fashionable circles, of many colleges and universities, even of some theological institutions—is little better than Baal, the sun-god of Phoenicia.” {GC

584}

Is not the philosophy of Androgyny an idol?

EGW: “It is as easy to make an idol of false doctrines and theories as to fashion an idol of wood or stone.” {GC 584}



**Ezekiel 14:6; Repent,
and turn *yourselves*
from your idols; and
turn away your faces
from all your
abominations.**

**God's heart is
breaking because of
the abominations
and idolatry in our
midst today.**



**How do you think God feels
when we trivialize something that
pains Him to the depths of His
heart?**



**Is it not time to conscientiously oppose
Satan's gender blurring agenda?**



God is calling to our hearts, inviting us to listen to His counsel, and learn the lessons from the past.



EGW: “We are to reveal our faith in our dress.” {YI, April 27, 1909 par. 7}



EGW: “The very dress will be a recommendation of the truth to unbelievers. It will be a sermon in itself.”
{RH, May 30, 1871 par. 10}

God has a beautiful message just for us, the message to the Laodiceans. He is offering spiritual eye salve—to take away our blindness.

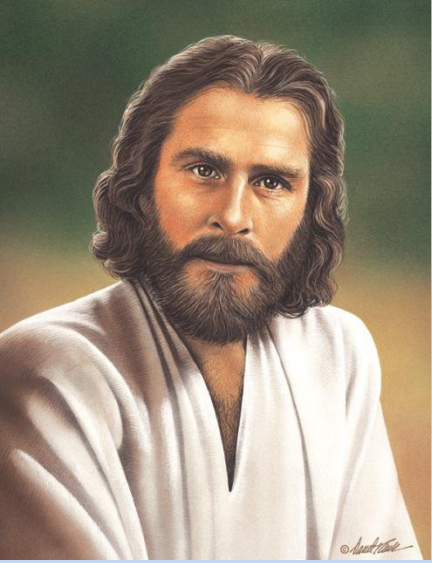


He is calling us out of the wilderness of insubordination, so that we may enter the heavenly Canaan.

EGW: How many shrink from the purifying process! They are unwilling to live out the truth, unwilling to appear singular or peculiar in the eyes of the world.



It is this mixing up with the world which destroys our spirituality, pureness and zeal. Satan's power is constantly exercised to stupefy the sensibilities of God's people, that their consciences may not be sensitive to wrong, and that the sign of distinction between them and the world may be destroyed. {RH, June 25, 1861 par. 1}



EGW: “The distance is widening between Christ and his people, and lessening between them and the world. The marks of distinction between Christ's professed people and the world, have almost disappeared. They follow after the abominations of the nations around them, as did ancient Israel.” {RH, June 25, 1861 par. 26}



Do these girls look like they're looking for Jesus to come?

EGW: “The Israel of God in these last days are in constant danger of mixing with the world and losing all signs of their being the chosen people of God. We are brought down to the last days, when God is purifying unto himself a peculiar people. Shall we provoke God as did ancient Israel? Shall we bring his wrath upon us by departing from him and mingling with the world, and following the abominations of the nations around us?” {RH, June 25, 1861 par. 26}

Isn't it time for Seventh-day Adventist women to take a stand in making a plain distinction between the dress of men and women?



EGW: “Mark this point with care: Those who receive the pure mark of truth, wrought in them by the power of the Holy Ghost, represented by a mark by the man in linen, are those "that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done" in the church.

Their love for purity and the honor and glory of God is such, and they have so clear a view of the exceeding sinfulness of sin, that they are represented as being in agony, even sighing and crying.”

{3T 267.1}



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Many of us are in need of repentance regarding our past choices. We may need to apologize to our children whom we have wrongly influenced.



Is it not time for us to listen to the voice of His Holy Spirit, who is calling us away from the abominations of the world?



Today, it is not difficult to find clothing that is pleasing to God. It is not a huge sacrifice to follow His will in how we dress. But it does take moral courage, and the willingness to go against the tide of fashion.

**What God wants is our hearts.
He is willing to teach us what
He wants us to wear if we will
go to Him and ask Him!**



**EGW: "When they really
desire an article of dress,
or some ornament or
convenience, do they lay
the matter before the Lord
in prayer to know if his
Spirit would sanction
this..." {RH, December 6, 1881}**



As we consider the Androgyny Deception so prevalent in our society, and even in our church, we are seeing the development of 2 distinct classes:

One class is assimilating to the androgynous mindset of the world in a variety of ways.

The other class is seeking to become transformed into the image of Christ, and asking God for the power to become manly men or womanly women.

Which class would you like to be connected with?

ARE WE TRULY CONVERTED?

EGW: “The religion of the Bible is that development of our moral nature by which the soul learns to love what God loves and to hate what God hates.” {RH, February 9, 1886 par. 14}



**Whatever God asks
us to do, He
provides the
strength to
perform. And He
adds a rich
blessing besides!**

**Our testimony of
His goodness will
radiate from our
lives.**



EGW: "Even the style of the apparel will express the truth of the gospel. Their dress bears its testimony to their own family, to the church and the world, that they are being purified from vanity and selfishness. They demonstrate that they are not idolaters." {6MR 161.1}

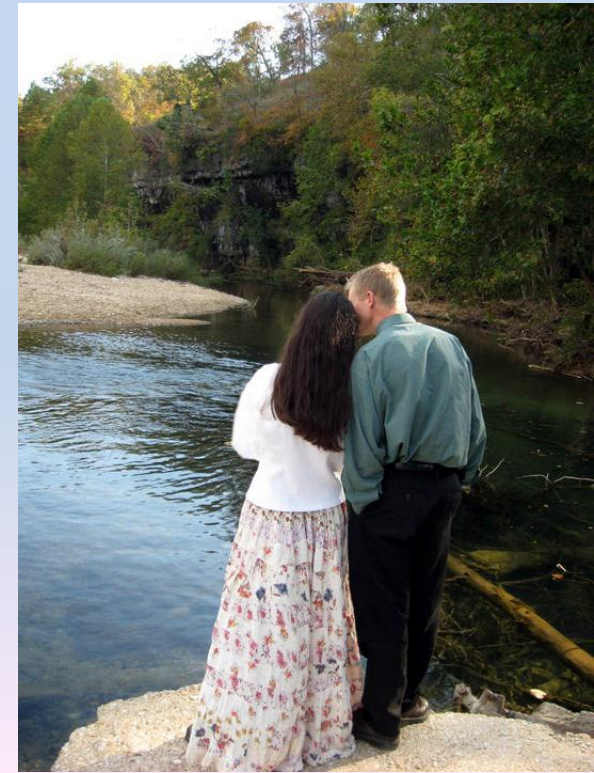


EGW: " 'If any man will come after me,' said Christ, 'let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.' Self denial and self-sacrifice will mark the Christian's life. Evidence that the taste is really converted will be seen in the dress of all who walk the narrow path of holiness, the path cast up for the ransomed of the Lord to walk in." {6MR 160.4}





EGW: "The remnant that purify their souls by obeying the truth gather strength from the trying process, exhibiting the beauty of holiness amid the surrounding apostasy." 2 SM 380



EGW: “We should not give a semblance of excuse to any for patterning after the worldly, changing fashions of this corrupt age.” --Lt 7, 1894. {PaM 63.4}



Gender Neutral is not God's Agenda



GENDER NEUTRAL

And equal opportunity loathsome



EGW: "The fear of ridicule leads many a youth to yield to temptation, and to walk in the way of the ungodly.... Is it not a sad thing that judgment-bound creatures should be controlled more by the thought of what their neighbors will think of them than by the thought of their obligation to God? We too often sacrifice the truth in order to be in harmony with custom, that we may avoid ridicule. {RH, March 31, 1891 par. 1}

God will give us strength to walk in the light, even if no one around us joins us.

We cannot safely follow anyone but Jesus.





EGW: "To stand in defense of truth and righteousness when the majority forsake us, to fight the battles of the Lord when champions are few--this will be our test. At this time we must gather warmth from the coldness of others, courage from their cowardice, and loyalty from their treason." {5T 136.2}

God never asks anything of us that is not in our own best interest.



Please know, dear sister, that no one is judging or condemning you. This is a call from the heart of God to seriously consider this matter, and study it out for yourself.



There are many who can testify to the goodness of God as they walk in the light He has given regarding our dress.



**There is
JOY in
following
Jesus!**



**May God help us to
return to His principles
as given in His inspired
testimonies!**



May God bless you!

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