

The Way Things Should Be

Genuine Masculinity & Femininity¹

We've learnt that God produced Ezer (later named Eve) by taking tissue from Adam ('Adam $mark\ I'$) to produce a perfect partner for him (the second version of Adam, 'Adam $mark\ II'$). Into Ezer he placed certain characteristics we call feminine along with the appropriate physiology and anatomy for her procreative functions. In Adam, he left characteristics we call masculine and he gave him a commensurate anatomy for his functions. Together in union, we've learnt,² they make the full whole that 'Adam $mark\ I'$ originally was as a human – i.e. a complete representative of Almighty God, the Creator. The masculine and feminine characters (not the anatomy and physiology) when combined in marriage, form the full character of God that he originally put into 'Adam $mark\ I'$.

IMPORTANT: Adam and Ezer are not the same. To help understand this, take a <u>very close</u> look at another person's right and left hand. It's easy to see that they aren't exactly the same – they're very similar, but there are many differences. Likewise, Adam and Ezer were created very similar, but different. They were entirely human, but they differed in their looks, personality, and a small component of their functionality.

Adam and Ezer were perfect in their masculinity and femininity because they were in a perfect environ without the corruption of sin. With the Fall, however, everything degenerated because they were outside of the edenic paradise. There were thorns, thistles, pain and death, just to mention a few. Into this couple's lives came trauma with it's long-term emotional and psychological damage. We see this beginning with Cain killing Abel out of jealousy. Since then, both genuine masculinity and genuine femininity have been lost, buried under the exterior of the scars of life.

Has Jesus' death completely reversed the Fall and produced perfection yet? No. When Jesus died and became the curse for our curses³, did that act take away the curse of 'deformed' masculinity and femininity? Yes and no.

Although he was cursed for us, and Father's work is now restorative, we still live in 'fallen' bodies and live in a 'fallen' world. That means we have the potential to have our masculinity and femininity completely restored, but we have to work against natural 'forces' to have that happen. This is the same as having to war against the natural part of us so our spirit can be the dominant component of our being.

Let's get some more insight so we can speed up the restoration of our genuine gender.

Our Real Selves

Masculinity and femininity referred to in this lesson are not based on social norms and stereotypes, but the genuine gender a person is born with as a consequence of their hormones, physiology and anatomy. These two gender types are cemented in adulthood for the essential purpose of fitting into the Kingdom roles of Adam and Ezer as creation dictated it. Latin American macho males or domineering Caucasian men are incompatible with genuine masculinity as far as the Kingdom is concerned. Conversely, the women's lib movement and wives who 'wear the pants in the family' are not of any interest to us in

^{1 –} Some of the notes in this are based on Jonathan Welton's teaching video, "Understanding Masculinity and Femininity" (a WeltonVlog Special Episode) www.youtube.com/watch?v=8YEtWgdSbfs

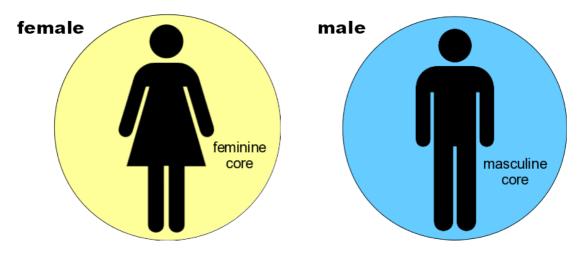
^{2 - &}quot;9-The Two Become One" (canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/09-The-Two-Become-One.pdf)

^{3 -} Galatians 3:13



finding out what femininity really is. We are only to focus on the feminine and masculine characteristics that God intended for us to display.

At the core of each of us there is a gender, one that was generated at creation and given to us as embryos.



Classic masculinity is described in biblical terms as 'rock solid', 'a shield', 'a fortress', 'a strong tower', 'an oak tree', etc. All these are picture language for firmness, immovability, calmness, peace, and a sense of strength. This is in opposition to flowy, gentle femininity. However, one gender is not totally strong and the other totally weak, as they both have strengths and weaknesses. There are times when a woman needs to be strong and a man needs to be rested (weakened). These variations are the many facets that they operate under in the course of each day out of necessity. For example: A man cannot be active, pushing forward, 'on the go' all the time, otherwise he'll have a breakdown. He needs to recharge by ceasing to be driven and ceasing to strive for some part of each day. Likewise, a woman cannot be gentle and motherly on a constant basis as there are times when she needs to be strong in the process of disciplining children, and on other occasions actively focussed to achieve goals. (See my articles in this series, '17-Understanding the Man' and '18-Understanding the Woman' for the full details of this point.)

Genuine gender has a purpose within the person and in a marriage, but this has been corrupted due to the Fall. The presence of sin, our base nature (the 'flesh') and our unregenerated body all contribute to our failure to perfectly express our pure gender. Genuine gender produces 'real' men and a 'real' women.

A 'real' man and a 'real' woman don't battle within themselves about who they are – they're genuinely content with their gender. They don't war with the opposite sex either, that's more the realm of 'boys' and 'girls' – i.e. those who are immature in that they are not at peace with themselves and are trying to prove something about their sex. This battling is based on insecurity which 'real' men and women don't suffer from (at least in the area of their gender). Insecurity comes from hurts in the past which stunt the psychological process of finding their true gender identity. The gender battles can occur with in men and women of all ages until they resolve their hurts and insecurities, and understand who they are, genderwise.

So, why don't men and women, husbands and wives, manifest their true gender? The answer is simple: It has been masked or repressed due to circumstances of the choices they've made. Ezers need to rise to their true roles and functionality in the Kingdom. Adams need to rise up and fulfil the role they were created to operate out of. This is the reality of the Kingdom which is being restored right now, and continuing on into future generations. We have seen the turmoil of gender imbalance and also of false gender for thousands of years. We've seen the pain of these which has caused our present society to move



into pseudo-gender roles in the gay lifestyle – but no longer. The Kingdom is now training true sons and daughters to rise up as Adams and Ezers in preparation for the restoration of Families⁴.

IMPORTANT: Your pristine gender character is right there inside you. Work on getting healed of all your hurts, learn to govern yourself, and let your true self blossom so that all can see it. You'll need this to rightly function in the world and in the Kingdom, and as a consequence, you will be content within yourself. Others may disdain you for it as they will be intimidated by your genuine inner strength, confidence and tranquillity. (More in this in later topics)

WATCH THIS VIDEO: "Understanding Masculinity and Femininity _ WeltonVlog _ Special Episode" <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=8YEtWgdSbfs</u> [6:20-30:30]

~ The next topic deals with false gender ~

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