# 10 Questions Every Student Should Ask (and Answer) About Christianity: "Who Cares If You're a Guy or a Girl?"

**MV:** The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it? (Jeremiah 17:9)

What does the Bible say about men and women?



Is Christianity good or bad for women?

Should Christians be free to identify as other than their biological, God given sex?

So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. (Gen 1:27)

"It is not good for man to be alone" (Gen 2:18);

The LORD is with me; he is my helper. I look in triumph on my enemies. (Psa 118:7)

What does it say in the Bible about being a man or a woman?

Christianity lifted women up!

"Helper"=

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What is feminism?

Proverbs 31 woman:

A society that promotes sex without commitment—OURS--- is \_\_\_\_\_

### Does it matter that we are male or female?

For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. ... 15 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. 16 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, 15-16)

There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. (Gal 3:28)

God made men and women equal, but He called them to different
Intersex?
Transgender?
Christians believe God made us male and female on purpose
The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it? (Jeremiah 17:9)
What does "man" or "woman" mean?

Some Pharisees came to him to test him. They asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any and every reason?" 4 "Haven't you read," he replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,' 5 and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'? 6 So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." (Matt 19:3-6)

## Don't Forget Your Small Group Guidelines....

These are your small group guidelines, designed to keep your group a safe place to share.

- 1. Keep your sharing focused on your own thoughts & feelings. Please limit your sharing to 3–5 min.
- 2. No cross talk, please. Cross talk is when two people engage in a dialogue which excludes all others. Each person is free to express feelings without interruption. Discussion, where appropriate, is welcome.
- 3. We are here to support one another. We will not attempt to "fix" one another.
- 4. Anonymity (secrecy) and confidentiality are basic requirements. What is shared in the group stays in the group! The only exceptions are when someone shares about hurting themselves or others, or being abused. Please trust your leaders to do the right thing with the information shared.
- 5. Offensive language has no place in our small group.

#### **W**RITE ABOUT IT AND TALK ABOUT IT

- 1. Do you think Christianity is bad for women? Explain
- 2. How should we treat those who identify differently?

- 3. Who gets to decide what something is or something is called?
- 4. Memorize Jeremiah 17:9

# PRAY ABOUT IT

Ask God to help you see that it matters to God the way you are created. Help yourself and others celebrate the truth of their creation.