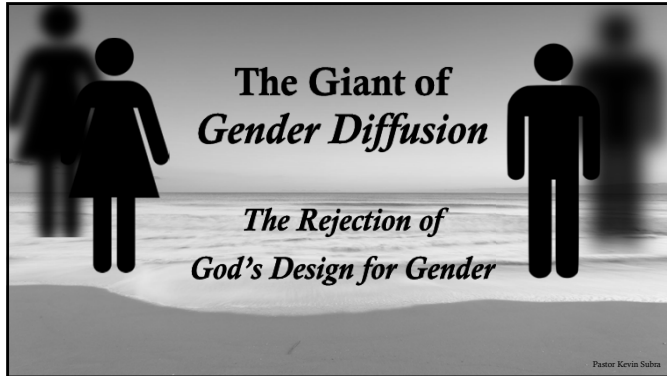




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Theme Verse:

The Promise (Joshua 1:9): "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God *is* with you wherever you go."

The Condition (Joshua 1:8): "This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For *then* you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success."

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Overall Series Statement:

**You cannot get the *results*
God desires to give
while ignoring the *commands*
God has given.**

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"The Giant" = GOLIATH

When we think of "giant" in the Bible, we think of *Goliath*.

Goliath was a *Philistine*, a people that remained in the land because of Israel's disobedient failure to drive them out in the time of the Judges.

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***The Giant of Gender Diffusion* THE ISSUE**

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The Giant of Gender Diffusion

**The WORLD Is Rapidly
Discarding God's Clear Design
in Gender**

- ◆ Driven by subjective feelings
- ◆ Driven by marriage redefinition
- ◆ Driven by rebellion against God

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The Giant of Marriage Distortion

**The CHURCH Has Also Drifted from
God's Revealed Design for Gender**

- ◇ We grow ignorant of God's Word.
- ◇ We build beliefs on culture rather than on God's revealed Word.
- ◇ We embrace the world's ways.

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The Giant of Gender Diffusion
THE WORD

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Genesis 1:27 – 2 Defined Genders

²⁷ So God created man in His *own* image; in the image of God He created him; *male* and *female* He created them.

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Genesis 1:28 – 2 Implied Roles

²⁸ Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

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God's Distinct Design for the Male
THE WORD

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Genesis 2:7***God Created the Male (First)***

⁷ And the LORD God formed *man* of the dust of the ground, and breathed into *his* nostrils the breath of life; and *man* became a living being.

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Genesis 2:8**God Placed the Male**

⁸ The LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden, and there He put *the man* whom He had formed.

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Genesis 2:15**God Assigned the Male**

¹⁵ Then the LORD God took *the man* and put *him* in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it.

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Genesis 2:16-17**God Commanded the Male**

¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded *the man*, saying, "Of every tree of the garden *you* may freely eat; ¹⁷ "but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil *you* shall not eat, for in the day that *you* eat of it *you* shall surely die."

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Genesis 2:18-20**God Assessed the Male**

¹⁸ And the LORD God said, "*It is* not good that *man* should be alone; I will make *him* a helper comparable to *him*." ... ²⁰ So Adam gave names to ... every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper comparable to him.

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God's Distinct Design for the Female
THE WORD

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Genesis 2:18**God Made Her for the Man**

¹⁸ And the LORD God said, "*It is* not good that man should be alone; *I will make him a helper* comparable to him."

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Genesis 2:21-22a**God Made Her from the Man**

²¹ And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. ²² Then *the rib which the LORD God had taken from man He made into a woman,*

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Genesis 2:22**God Brought Her to the Man**

²² Then the rib which the LORD God had taken from man He made into a woman, and *He brought her to the man.*

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Genesis 3 Insights**THE WORD**

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Genesis 3:6b-7**The Timing of the Opened Eyes**

⁶ ... She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. ⁷ *Then* the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they *were* naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings.

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Genesis 3:9-10**God Focuses on the Man**

⁹ Then the LORD God called to *Adam* and said to *him*, "Where *are you*?" ¹⁰ So he said, "I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself."

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Genesis 3:11**God Questions the Man**

¹¹ And He said, "Who told *you* that *you* *were* naked? Have *you* eaten from the tree of which I commanded *you* that *you* should not eat?"

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Genesis 3:16**God Addresses the Woman**

¹⁶ To the woman He said: "I will greatly multiply your sorrow and your *conception*; In pain you shall bring forth *children*; Your desire *shall be* for your *husband*, And he shall rule over you."

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Genesis 3:16 (ESV)**God Addresses the Woman**

¹⁶ To the woman he said: "I will surely multiply your pain in *childbearing*; in pain you shall bring forth *children*. Your desire shall be contrary to your *husband*, but he shall rule over you."

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Genesis 3:17a**God Addresses the Man: His Sin**

¹⁷ Then to Adam He said, "Because *you* have heeded the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree of which I commanded *you*, saying, 'You shall not eat of it':

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Genesis 3:17b-19**God Addresses the Man: Sin's Result**

¹⁷..."Cursed *is* the ground for *your* sake; in toil *you* shall eat *of* it all the days of *your* life. ¹⁸ Both thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for *you*, ...¹⁹ In the sweat of *your* face you shall eat bread till you return to the ground...

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5 Key New Testament Passages

Romans 1:18-27 (26-27)

1 Corinthians 11:3-16

1 Timothy 2:8-15

1 Timothy 5:3-16 (9-10,14)

Titus 2:3-5

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The Giant of Gender Diffusion**OUR RESPONSE**

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Embrace Bible Truth About Gender

Observe that throughout the Bible, gender roles and responsibilities are consistently differentiated in the home, in the church, in society, & in gov't.

Pursue Biblical gender roles ourselves. Begin...

Teach our children Biblical gender roles. Male and female are by God's design, and His design goes way beyond anatomy, but covers both roles and responsibilities that are gender-specific.

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The Israelites did not deal with the nations that were before them, including the Philistines.

The remaining nations become a multi-generational problem to their descendants.

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