Made Male and Female

Made For Good May 12, 2024

Notes

Questions for Personal Reflection and Group Discussion

1. Read Genesis 1:26-27.

In what ways do human beings reflect the image of God?

What aspects of the character of God can be glimpsed in humanity?

2. Read 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 and Psalm 139:13-16.

For what purpose did God give us physical bodies and to whom do they belong? How is this different from the perspective the world has about bodies?

What do you learn about the design of the human body from these verses?

In light of the truths found in these verses, how are we to use our bodies?

3. Read Ephesians 2:1-3.

God intended the gift of desire to be a good thing. What happened?

What is the cause of the kind of desires we see in our culture today?

How should we respond to those who are still trapped by their sinful desires? How did God respond to you when you were dead in sin?

3. Read 1 Timothy 3:1-7, Colossians 3:12, and Galatians 5:22.

What traits of an emotionally and spiritually healthy individual do you find in these verses?

So, what does it mean to be a man... or a woman... according to Scripture?

4. Read Ruth 1:6-21.

Why did Naomi want people to call her by a different name?

Were her reasons legitimate? Were her beliefs about God accurate?

Would it be more important to correct her theology or to love her where she was at? How could this story help shape your understanding of those who want to be called by a different name or pronoun?