

# *The Apparel Question*

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# ASPECTS OF SALVATION

PAST	PRESENT	FUTURE
WE WERE SAVED	WE ARE BEING SAVED	WE WILL BE SAVED
JUSTIFIED	SANCTIFIED	GLORIFIED
POSITIONAL	EXPERIENTIAL	ETERNAL
RIGHTEOUSNESS IMPUTED	RIGHTEOUSNESS IMPARTED	RIGHTEOUSNESS IMPLANTED
SAVED FROM PENALTY OF SIN	BEING SAVED FROM POWER OF SIN	WE WILL BE SAVED FROM THE PRESENCE OF SIN

## Deuteronomy 22:5

King James Version (KJV)

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- WHY DOES THE BIBLE HAVE MORE “EXTERNAL STANDARDS” FOR WOMEN THAN FOR MEN?

## **Matthew 5:28**

King James Version (KJV)

But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.

**MEN ARE STIMULATED  
BY SIGHT**

## 1 Timothy 2:9-10

King James Version (KJV)

**9**In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array;

**10**But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.

# WOMEN ARE MORE TO ENTICING DRESS

**3**Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;

**4**But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.

**1 Peter 3:3-4**

## **1 Corinthians 7:1**

King James Version (KJV)

**1** Now concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me: It is good for a **man not to touch a woman.**

**WOMEN ARE  
STIMULATED BY TOUCH**

**WOMAN - APPEAR**  
**MAN - ACT**

## 1 Samuel 16:7

King James Version (KJV)

7 But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the LORD seeth not as man seeth; **for man looketh on the outward appearance**, but the LORD looketh on the heart.

***DRESS MATTERS!***



*IMMATURITY*

The image features a teal background with white dotted decorative swirls. A white rectangular banner is centered horizontally, containing the text "WORLDLY SPIRIT" in a bold, black, italicized serif font.

***WORLDLY SPIRIT***



***INCORRECT TEACHING***

# CLOTHING IS VERY SIGNIFICANT IN SCRIPTURE!

- Clothing for modesty's sake was instituted by God.  
Genesis 3:21
- Nakedness is a mark of shame.  
Ezekiel 16:39, Luke 8:27
- Jesus was concerned about external covering as well as internal deliverance.  
Mark 5:15
- Clothing is used to indicative a negative spiritual state.  
2 Sam. 14:2, Psalms 35:13, Psalms 109:18, Psalms 109:29 Eze 7:27
- The wearing of proper clothing is commanded by God.  
1Tim 2:9, 1Pet 3:3

# CLOTHING IS VERY SIGNIFICANT IN SCRIPTURE!

- Improper clothing displeases the Lord greatly.  
Zephaniah 1:8, Deutoronomy 22:5
- Those improperly dressed were prohibited from  
the king's presence  
Esther 4:2
- A change of clothing was required to be in royal  
presence or in God's presence  
Esther 5:1, 2Samuel 12:20
- Clothing is used to indicative the blessings of a king.  
Esther 6:9, Esther 8:15
- A king's glory was evidenced by the clothing of His  
servants.  
1Tim 2:9, 1Pet 3:3

# CLOTHING IS VERY SIGNIFICANT IN SCRIPTURE!

- Clothing is indicative of personal purity.  
2Samuel 13:18
- Clothing is indicative of a repentant attitude.  
Joshua 7:6, 2Chronicles 34:19, 2Chronicles 34:27
- Clothing is used as a type of spirituality.  
Ps.132:16, Ps.132:18,Zech.3:4, Prov.31:25, Isa.59:17, Job 29:14,  
Ps.132:9, Isa.61:10, 1Pet.5:5
- Clothing is the identifiable mark of the redeemed in  
eternity.  
Rev.4:4, Rev.7:9, Rev.19:14, Rev. 19:8

*The Apostate Spirit of the  
Last Days will Reject  
Holiness Teaching!*

**Isaiah 4:1**

King James Version (KJV)

And in that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying,  
We will eat our own bread, and wear **our own apparel:** only  
let us be called by thy name, to take away our reproach.

# They want to be bride of Christ BUT IN THEIR OWN TERMS!

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7 would-wanna-be bride of Isaiah 4:1 are prophetic picture of the church in the last days.

All seven women like to take hold of one man.

They want their own bread.

They want to wear their own apparel.

**Revelation 2:1** " Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write; These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks;"

Last Days' Church is represented by seven candlesticks in Revelation Chapters 1-3

7 Churches want to take hold of one man, Jesus.

Churches today wants only to eat of their own bread, their own interpretation of God's word.

Many churches today want to wear their own apparel, rejecting separation from the world, reproof, holiness preaching, spiritual authority, and anything they think is negative.



# 5 PRINCIPLES OF CHRISTIAN APPAREL:

- DRESS AND APPEARANCE ARE AN IMPORTANT INDICATOR OF CHRISTIAN CHARACTER.
- **SCRIPTURE IS CONSISTENT IN ITS CONDEMNATION OF IMPROPER APPAREL.**
- CHRISTIANS ARE REQUIRED TO DRESS MODESTLY, SHOWING RESPECT FOR GOD, THEMSELVES, AND OTHERS.
- CHRISTIANS MUST RESPECT GENDER DISTINCTIONS IN CLOTHING BY WEARING APPAREL THAT AFFIRMS THEIR MALE OR FEMALE IDENTITIES. LIKE MOST HOLINESS ISSUES, THIS PRINCIPLE GOES BACK TO CREATION!
- CLOTHES DO NOT MAKE A CHRISTIAN, BUT REAL CHRISTIANS ALWAYS REVEAL THEIR IDENTITY THROUGH THEIR MODEST CLOTHING AND APPEARANCE!

THIS TRUTH IS TAUGHT IMPLICITLY BY MANY NEGATIVE EXAMPLES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT, AND EXPLICITLY BY THE ADMONITIONS OF PAUL AND PETER.

PORTION OF SCRIPTURE	TYPE OF INSTRUCTION	ACHIEVED BY
OLD TESTAMENT	IMPLICIT TEACHING	NEGATIVE EXAMPLES
NEW TESTAMENT	EXPLICIT TEACHING	POSITIVE ADMONITIONS

A photograph of a clothing rack filled with garments. The items are arranged in a color gradient from left to right: neutral tones (tan, beige, light brown) on the left, transitioning through muted colors (light blue, dark blue, purple) to a vibrant rainbow spectrum (green, yellow, orange, red) in the center, and finally dark, earthy tones (brown, black) on the right. The text is overlaid in the center of the image.

**TRACE THE  
CONCEPT OF  
APPAREL  
THROUGH THE  
SCRIPTURES:**

# 1. Mankind's First Clothing

## Genesis 3:6-10

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6And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

7And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made

themselves **APRONS**.

8And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.

9And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?

10And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, **because I was naked**; and I hid myself.



## BEFORE SIN!

## Genesis 2:25

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And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

# *So God made them COATS!*

## **Genesis 3:21**

King James Version (KJV)

Unto Adam also and to  
his wife did the LORD  
God make

# COATS

of skins, and clothed  
them.



# LET US ABIDE IN GOD'S STANDARD!



## APRON

FROM HEBREW WORD "**HAGORA**" MEANS GIRDLE, BELT, LOINCLOTH, APRON, LOIN-COVERING, COVERING THE PRIVATE REGION AND HIPS ONLY.

PARTLY COVERING THE BODY MOST LIKELY JUST THE PRIVATE PARTS

MAN'S IDEA OF MODEST APPAREL

MAN'S STANDARD



## COAT

FROM HEBREW WORD "**KUTTONET**" MEANS TUNIC WITH SLEEVES, COMING DOWN TO THE KNEES, SOMETIMES TO THE ANKLES. GARMENT WITH SLEEVES COVERING FROM SHOULDERS AT LEAST TO THE KNEES.

LOOSE FITTING AND PROPERLY COVERING THE WHOLE BODY

GOD'S IDEA OF MODEST APPAREL.

GOD'S STANDARD

# THE MORAL SHAME OF NAKEDNESS

- MAN'S IDEA OF NAKEDNESS IS NUDITY

- GOD'S IDEA OF NAKEDNESS IS WHEN UPPER LEG AND TORSO ARE UNCOVERED

**Genesis 3:10** - 10And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, **because I was naked**(*covered only with an apron*); and I hid myself.

**Exodus 20:26** - 26Neither shalt thou go up by steps unto mine altar, **that thy nakedness be not discovered** thereon.

**Exodus 28:42** - 42And thou shalt make them linen **breeches to cover their nakedness; from the loins even unto the thighs they shall reach:**

**Isaiah 47:2-3** - 2Take the millstones, and grind meal: uncover thy locks, make bare the leg, uncover the thigh(upper leg), pass over the rivers. 3**Thy nakedness shall be uncovered**, yea, thy shame shall be seen(**GOD CONSIDERS THIS TO BE NAKEDNESS**): I will take vengeance, and I will not meet thee as a man.

**John 21:7** - 7Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved saith unto Peter, It is the Lord. Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, **he girt his fisher's coat unto him, (for he was naked,)** and did cast himself into the sea.

# IN BIBLE, NAKEDNESS...

- Nakedness was covered from the beginning by God to defeat the temptation it created.
- Nakedness was associated with sexual impulses and desires, so much so that to “see” or “uncover” nakedness is a biblical euphemism for “sexual intercourse.”

**Leviticus 20:17**

17And if a man shall take his sister, his father's daughter, or his mother's daughter, and see her nakedness, and she see his nakedness; it is a wicked thing; and they shall be cut off in the sight of their people: he hath uncovered his sister's nakedness; he shall bear his iniquity



# IN BIBLE, NAKEDNESS...

- Nakedness as a moral shame is found from Genesis 3:7 through Revelation 16:15

  
**Revelation 16:15**

**15**Behold, I come as a thief. **Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his SHAME.**

- Nakedness must be covered! This principle is not cultural, but Biblical.

# APPAREL IN BIBLE TIMES



- Samson's prize for riddle was 30 sheets and change of garments...Jud.14:12
- Achan was tempted by goodly Babylonish garments...Jos.7:21
- Gehazi fell along with two changes of garments...2Kin. 5:23
- Sisera's mother wished him to return from battle with divers colours of needle work...Jud. 5:30



# *GENDER DISTINCTION IN THE OLD TESTAMENT*

*If both men and women wore robes; is it possible for gender distinction???*

## **Deuteronomy 22:5**

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.



# *DISTINCTIVENESS IS BY CONSTRUCTION OF ATTIRE*

*...that is in their style, color, markings, length,  
cuts, and trim.*

## **Genesis 24:65**

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**65**For she had said unto the servant, What man is this that walketh in the field to meet us? And the servant had said, It is my master: therefore she took a vail, and covered herself.

*WHAT THEY WORE*  
*BUT*  
*HOW* *THEY WORE IT*

MOST IMPORTANT DISTINCTION

# *“BREECHES”*

Later english word is, “britches”. Synonymous to words; **trousers, pants, khaki, denim, jeans, knee pants, slacks**

# BUT In Every Case it is Man's Apparel!

## **Exodus 28:42**

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**42**And thou shalt make them linen **breeches** to cover their nakedness; from the loins even unto the thighs they shall reach:

## **Exodus 39:28**

King James Version (KJV)

**28**And a mitre of fine linen, and goodly bonnets of fine linen, and linen **breeches** of fine twined linen,

## **Leviticus 6:10**

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**10**And the priest shall put on his linen garment, and his linen **breeches** shall he put upon his flesh, and take up the ashes which the fire hath consumed with the burnt offering on the altar, and he shall put them beside the altar.

## **Leviticus 16:4**

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**4**He shall put on the holy linen coat, and he shall have the linen **breeches** upon his flesh, and shall be girded with a linen girdle, and with the linen mitre shall he be attired: these are holy garments; therefore shall he wash his flesh in water, and so put them on

## **Ezekiel 44:18**

King James Version (KJV)

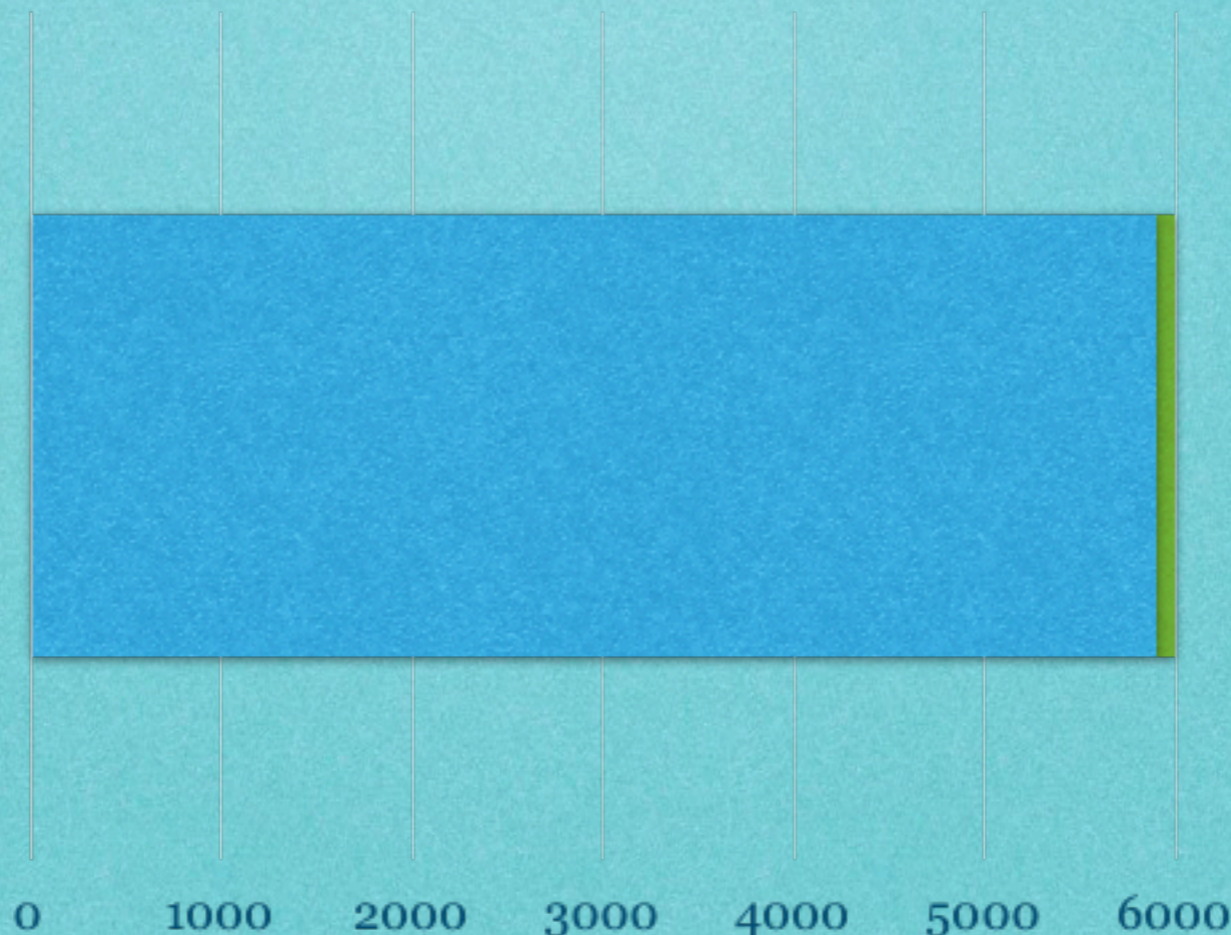
**18**They shall have linen bonnets upon their heads, and shall have linen **breeches** upon their loins; they shall not gird themselves with any thing that causeth sweat.

# IMAGINE

For the first 5,900 years pants worn exclusive by men...

- PANTS WORN EXCLUSIVE BY MEN
- WOMEN'S APPAREL BECOMES IMPRACTICAL

HUMAN HISTORY



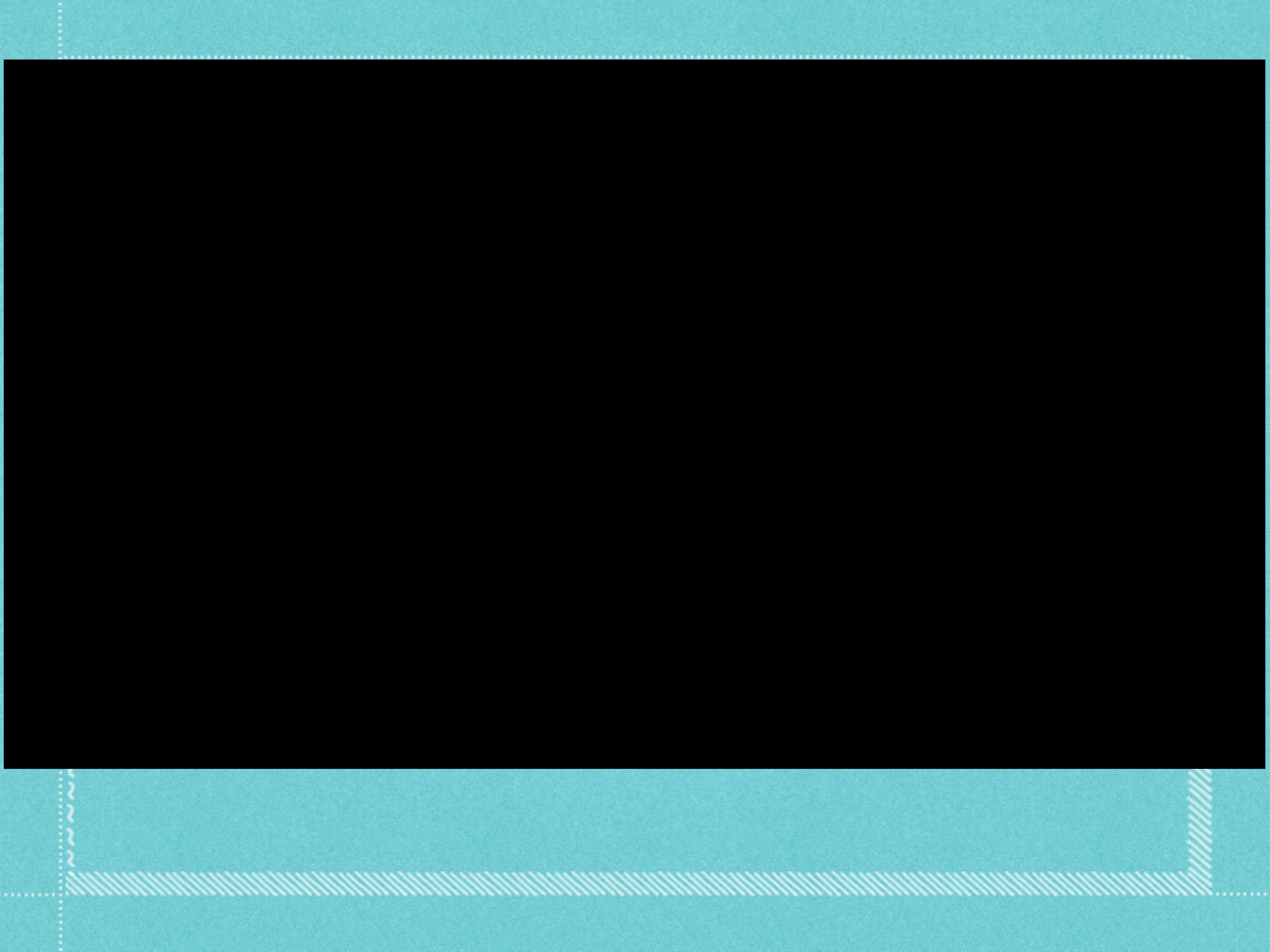


But also every time “**skirt**” is used in the KJV it refers to man; is this a positive case for “**cross-dressing**” ???

The Hebrew word for skirt however, is “**KANAPH**”, which actually means the extreme **corner** of a garment.

*“GIRD UP THY LOINS”*

MEN IN BIBLE TIMES WERE PERMITTED TO GIRD  
UP THEIR LOINS WHILE WOMEN WERE NOT.



II Kings 4:29: Then he said to Gehazi, **Gird up** thy loins, and take my staff in thine hand, and go thy way: if thou meet any man, salute him not; and if any salute thee, answer him not again: and lay my staff upon the face of the child.

II Kings 9:1: And Elisha the prophet called one of the children of the prophets, and said unto him, **Gird up** thy loins, and take this box of oil in thine hand, and go to Ramoth-gilead:

Job 38:3: **Gird up** now thy loins like a man; for I will demand of thee, and answer thou me.

Job 40:7: **Gird up** thy loins now like a man: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me.

Jeremiah 1:17: Thou therefore **gird up** thy loins, and arise, and speak unto them all that I command thee: be not dismayed at their faces, lest I confound thee before them.

I Peter 1:13: Wherefore **gird up** the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

**ANY GARMENT THAT SHOWS A SEPARATION OF THE LEGS ABOVE THE KNEE IS IMMODEST APPAREL FOR A GODLY WOMAN. GOD DOES NOT APPROVE OF IT!**

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- AN ABOMINATION UNTO  
THE LORD

**SEVERAL THINGS IN SCRIPTURE ARE NOTED TO BE AN ABOMINATION “UNTO THE LORD”**

Deuteronomy 23:18	Prostitution (“whore”) or Homosexuality (“dog”)
Deuteronomy 7:25, 27:15	Idolatry
Deuteronomy 18:10-12	Involvement in the occult
Deuteronomy 25:13-16, Proverbs 11:1, 20:10, 20:23	One who cheats others
Deuteronomy 24:1-4	One who divorces a spouse, then remarries them after they have been married to another
Deuteronomy 17:1	Offering blemished sacrifices to God
<b>Deuteronomy 22:5</b>	<b>A woman wearing that which pertains to a man, or a man in a woman’s garment</b>
Proverbs 3:32, 11:20	Perversion (“the froward”)
Proverbs 12:22, 6:16-19	A liar, especially one who vows they are telling the truth
Proverbs 16:5, 6:16-19	A proud person
Proverbs 6:16-19	A murderer
Proverbs 6:16-19	A heart that plans to do evil, or one who is continually involved in evil
Proverbs 6:16-19	One who creates division among brethren
Proverbs 15:8, 15:9, 15:26	The lifestyle (“sacrifice, way, thoughts”) of a wicked person
Proverbs 17:15	One who excuses sin or condemns righteousness

**There are other sins to be sure, but these are things that especially degrade God’s creation or destroy its order. Thus, in the sight of God these are especially filthy, abhorrent and loathsome.**

**WE NEED TO FORSAKE EVERY ABOMINATION ON THE LIST!**

## THE JEWISH LAW OF THE OLD TESTAMENT WAS COMPRISED OF THREE DISTINCT PARTS

<b>The Civil Law</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• this applied to daily living in Israel (i.e. Deuteronomy 24:10-11)</li><li>• many of these laws gave rise to modern day legal statutes</li><li>• because modern culture is so different, some of these laws do not apply specifically today</li><li>• however, the principles they contain are timeless</li></ul>
<b>The Ceremonial Law</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• this related specifically to Israel's worship (i.e. Leviticus 1:2-3)</li><li>• its primary purpose was to point forward to Jesus Christ</li><li>• these laws are no longer necessary because of Jesus' ultimate sacrifice</li><li>• since Jesus fulfilled this Law, we are not bound by its requirements today</li><li>• however, the major guiding principles behind these laws (separation) still apply to us today</li></ul>
<b>The Moral Law</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• these were the <u>direct commands</u> of God, and required strict obedience</li><li>• they reveal the nature and eternal will of God, so <u>they still apply to us today</u></li><li>• the Ten Commandments are a familiar part of this Law</li></ul>

**Outside of the Ten Commandments, which were written by the finger of God (Exodus 31:18), other moral laws are indicated in God's Word by the phrase "ABOMINATION UNTO THE LORD." God never changes (Malachi 3:6) so ... "ONCE AN ABOMINATION, ALWAYS AN ABOMINATION!"**



## **Deuteronomy 22:5**

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The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man(HEB."GEBER"-SOLDIER or MAN), neither shall a man (HEB."GEBER"-SOLDIER or MAN) put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the LORD thy God.

NO MAJOR BIBLE TRANSLATION USES THE ENGLISH WORD "SOLDIER" TO TRANSLATE "GEBER" EVEN ONCE.

# *APOSTOLIC ADMONITIONS IN THE NEW TESTAMENT*

## **1 Timothy 2:8-9**

King James Version (KJV)

I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting. In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in **modest apparel**, with **shamefacedness** and **sobriety**; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array;

# A. MODEST, OR “ORDERLY”

- From Greek word “kosmios” which means “well-ordered, becoming, dignified.” Describes self-discipline and attitude reflects outwardly.
- What a woman wears affects her conduct and appropriate dress encourages appropriate demeanor.

# APPAREL, OR “LONG AND FLOWING”

- From the Greek word “katastole” which means “a long flowing garment.” Greek “katastola” which was loose-fitting (flowing) and covered from the neck to the knees (“long”).
- Notice Paul requires the same type of garment God required in Genesis 3!

# DECENT, OR “WITH SHAMEFACEDNESS”

- Shamefacedness comes from Greek word “aidos” which means “a sense of shame, bashfulness, reverence, regard for others.” From root word “eido” which has the significance of “turning the eyes, the mind, the ATTENTION to anything.”
- This word has a DEEPER significance in regard to “ADORNMENT” than to “apparel.”

# RESTRAINED, OR “WITH SOBRIETY”

- Sobriety comes from the greek word “sophrosune” which means “soundness of mind, sound judgement, curbing one’s impulses, self-controlled, temperate.” Signifies inner self-government with constant rein on all passions and desires.
- This word also has a deeper significance to “adornment” than to “apparel.”

# A WORD TO CHRISTIAN MEN

THERE ARE MORE “EXTERNAL STANDARDS” IN  
GOD’S WORD FOR WOMEN THAN FOR MEN.  
HOWEVER, THE PRINCIPLES OF MODESTY,  
DECENCY AND RESTRAINT CERTAINLY APPLY  
TO YOUR CLOTHING AS WELL

REMEMBER ADAM’S IDEA OF PROPER  
COVERING WAS NOT GOD’S IDEA OF PROPER  
COVERING!

# FINAL CONSIDERATION

*GOD IS SO  
ADAMANT IN  
MAINTAINING  
THIS  
DIFFERENCE  
BETWEEN MEN  
AND WOMEN.*

*HE CALLS IT AN  
ABOMINATION WHEN  
WE BREAK IT!*





*The attitude of many today is, “How much do i have to do to be saved?” The attitude of a christian is, “How much can I do to please my saviour?” If you live by that attitude, you wil have no problem with holiness!*

*END OF  
PRESENTATION*

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