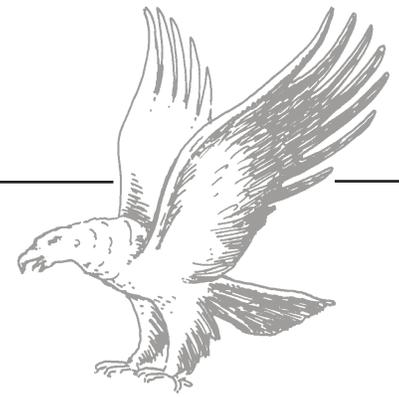


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*“Those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength;
they shall mount up with wings like eagles.”
Isaiah 40:31*



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Transgender Foolishness

Our society's fascination with transgenderism is starting to produce a number of unintended consequences. God's people should not be afraid to challenge the underlying issue.

“Professing to be wise, they became fools, . . . Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among themselves, who exchanged the truth of God for the lie” (Rom. 1:22, 24-25).



Last week at the Connecticut high school girl's state track championships, a transgender “girl” won two gold medals. Had this young man competed against other young men, he would have come in dead last. But because he self-identifies as a girl, he was allowed to compete against the girls. Of course, his XY chromosomes didn't get the memo, so with his testosterone-enhanced body, larger muscle mass, and greater lung capacity, he handily beat the girls. The second place finisher—a real girl—expressed frustration over the unfairness of it all. “I can't really say what I want to say, but there's not much I can do about it,” she complained.

What she can't say, I will. This transgender foolishness threatens to wreck decades of progress in women's

rights. As this episode is repeated again and again in coming years, women's sports will effectively be destroyed. There will be men's sports, and “transgender girls” sports for the guys who can't compete with their peers. Women will be frozen out—in the name of transgender tolerance, of course.

So once again, as people reject the wisdom God built into nature, it's women and children who will get hurt. And our society is too blind to recognize what it is doing to itself.

The real issue here runs much deeper than athletics. The fascination with gender-switching is a fad based on a lie. Men and women are undeniably different—physically, emotionally, psychologically, and socially. They are born that way, with every cell of their bodies marking the distinction. For a man or woman to announce that he/she henceforth identifies as the opposite sex makes no more sense than a 45-year-old 6'2” white male self-identifying as a 28-year-old 5'8” Asian female. (Actually, a reporter fitting that description recently toured a college campus asking students

if they were okay with him making that very change in identity. The responses would have been hilarious, if they were not so depressing. Our young people are losing their ability to discern reality.)

In some cases there may be psychological issues that contribute to a person's gender confusion. Such people deserve our compassion and help. But for others, it is nothing more than a deliberate rejection of God's design for human nature. The intellectual gymnastics that are used to justify dishonoring their bodies succeed only in making them look foolish. Nature—and God—will not be mocked.

One more observation. The fact that this girl was afraid to speak her mind on this subject explains why this madness has gone as far as it has. The LGBT lobby targets anyone who objects to their agenda as hateful bigots. So those who cling to the traditional male/female model of human identity quickly learn to keep quiet to avoid controversy. We have to face our fear and speak out on this issue—with love and wisdom—while we have the freedom to do so.

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