

RECLAIMING

God's Coding for

SEXUALITY



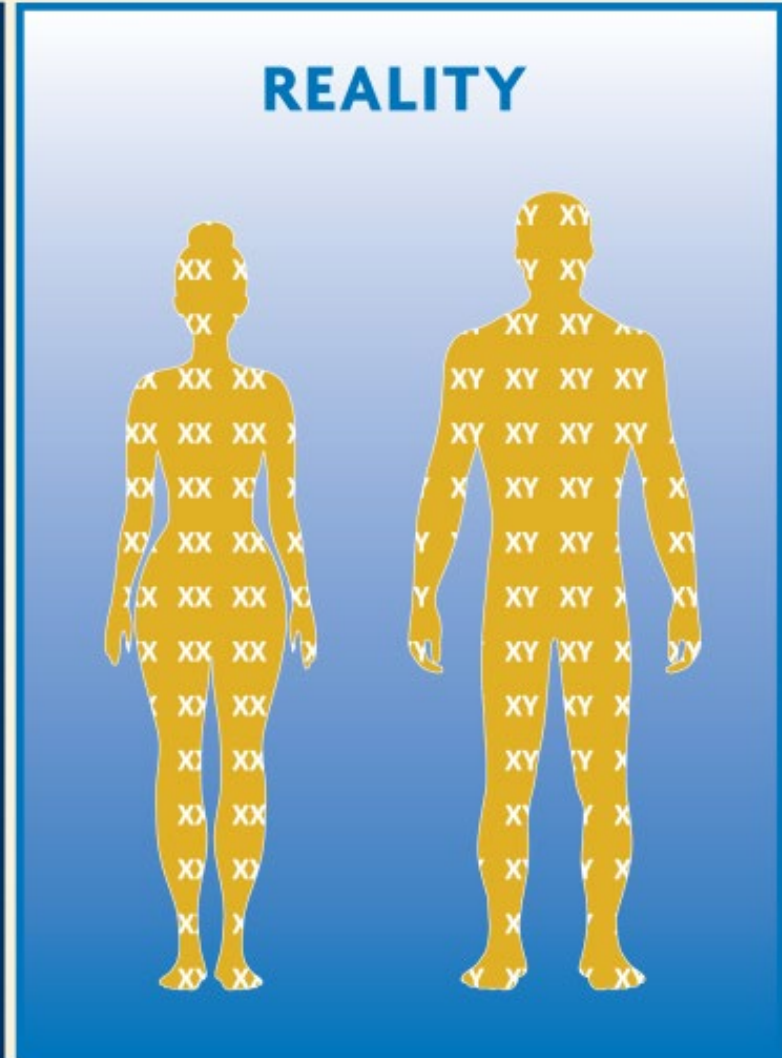
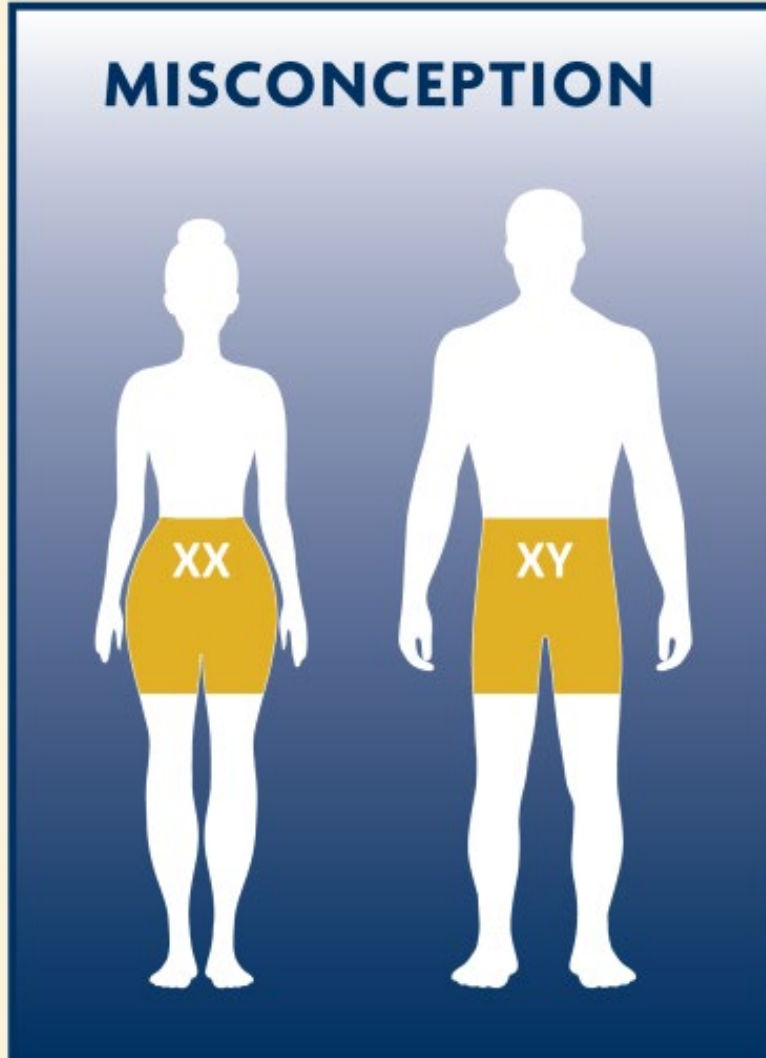
Eph 5:22, 25-28; 31-33

1. GOD'S DESIGN FOR MARRIAGE INCLUDES TWO OPPOSITE-LIKES WORKING AS PARTNERS.

- A. TWO PERSONS TO COMPLETE GOD'S DESIGN. GEN 1:26, 2:18.
- B. DIFFERENT BY DESIGN.
- C. ACCOMPLISH GODS PURPOSES TOGETHER. ECCL 4:9-12

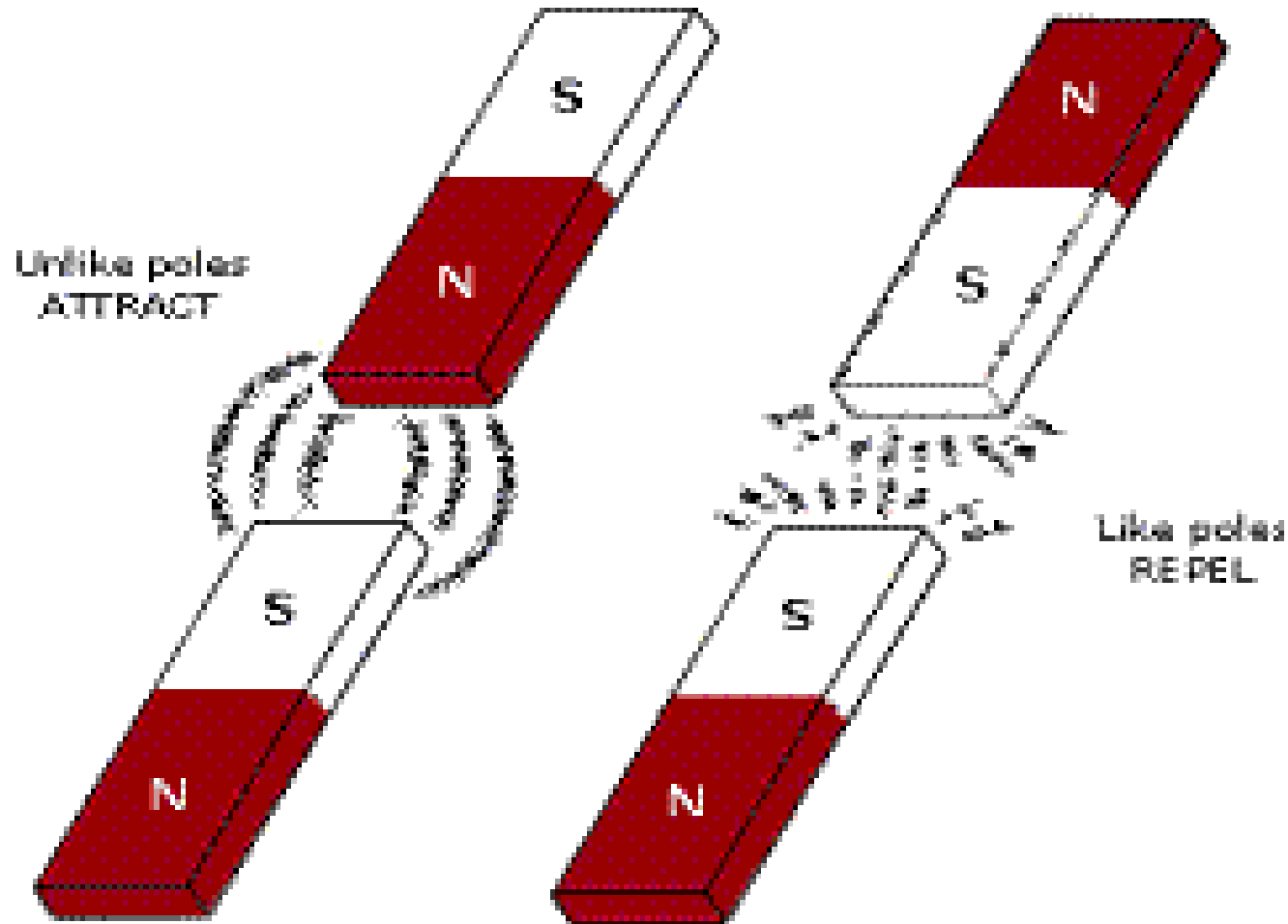


- **INHERENT DIFFERENCES: EVERY CELL IS CODED WITH GENDER: “XX” (FEMALE) OR “XY” (MALE).**





- **DIFFERENCES REQUIRE COMMITMENT TO EACH OTHER TO BE SUSTAINED.**



2. A BELIEVER'S REVERENCE FOR CHRIST IS THE HEART OF FULFILLING GOD'S DESIGN FOR MARRIAGE.

- A. ACT OF OBEDIENCE TO CHRIST (NOT TO MY SPOUSE). EP 5:21-22**
- B. CHRIST LOVED THE WORLD BY DYING FOR THE SINS OF THE WORLD. THIS WAS AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL SERVICE. HUSBANDS ARE TO SERVE THEIR WIVES IN THE SAME WAY; AS AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL SERVICE. EPH 5:26-27**
- C. EACH HAVE AN ASSIGNED ROLE THAT EMBRACES THE NEEDS OF THE OTHER.**





- **GOD, HUSBAND, AND WIFE ARE TO FUNCTION LIKE A LADDER WITH GOD AT TOP, THEY AT THE BASES.**



HUSBANDS LEAD BY TAKING THE INITIATIVE NOT BY CONTROLLING OR ANGERING.

- “. . .a woman cannot properly be the responder, unless the man is properly the initiator. He must take the lead in order that she may follow, as in a dance. The willingness of each to perform the “steps” that have been choreographed gives the other freedom.”

(The Mark of a Man, Elisabeth Elliott)



3. DO YOU WANT TO BUILD YOUR HOME GOD'S WAY OR YOUR WAY?

- 1. EXAMINE YOUR ROLE IN YOUR MARRIAGE. ARE YOU WALKING IN YOUR WILL OR CHRIST'S?**
- 2. CONFESS YOUR SIN TO CHRIST, TODAY. ASK HIM TO FORGIVE YOU. THAT IS WHAT THE CROSS ENABLES US TO DO.**
- 3. DISCUSS THIS WITH YOUR SPOUSE. TOGETHER, CHANGE ONE THING TO BRING YOUR RELATIONSHIP IN LINE WITH GOD'S PLAN.**



SPIRITUAL TRUTHS FROM 1ST SERMON:

1. THE CROSS REVEALS THAT ***RIGHT AND WRONG MATTER*** TO GOD. JOHN 1:17(a), ROM 3:23-24
2. THE ***CHARACTER OF GOD AS GOOD*** IS REVEALED UNDER THE STRESS OF THE WOUNDS OF THE CROSS. ISAIAH 53:4-7
3. JESUS IS ***GRACE AND TRUTH*** MADE REAL. JOHN 1:17(b).

