

interconnected

Titus 2:1-6



Big Idea: As the body of Christ, we are powerfully interconnected.

-- By the perfect will of Almighty God, we are linked together in ways that are more profound than we could imagine (Romans 12:4-5).

1.) GENDER matters.

- Gender is created by God and it is **VERY GOOD** (Gen. 1:27-31).
- When we reject God, we are bound to reject gender, and when we reject gender, it becomes much harder for us to see and know God.
- Distinctions between men and women reveal the wisdom and will of God.
- God designed us with exactly two distinct genders, and that design is good, right, and critical to human flourishing.

2.) GENERATION matter.

- The church of Jesus Christ is meant by God to be wonderfully multi-generational.
- The generations of the church should be **INTERCONNECTED**

3.) We are joined together to BLESS each other.

- In Titus 2, tells us how we must live in the church so that we might be a blessing and not a burden to others in the church (Matthew 22:37-40, Galatians 6:10, 1 Peter 4:10-11).
- What we do as the church, we do as a **FAMILY** (Rom. 12:4-5).
- Whoever you are and whatever your age, get busy blessing the church for the glory of God.

4.) We are joined together to **BEND** to each other.

- Troubling trend: Me-centered consumerism in the church in America.
- The beautiful challenge of the church is that every member must bend to every other so that we all might be a blessing to one another for the glory of God (1 Peter 5:5).
- Anyone who refuses to bend his **PREFERENCES** to those of others ought not claim to have a very mature faith.
- Congregations in which multiple **GENERATIONS** bend to one another will grow in the humility and love of Christ.
- Are you willing to bend your preferences to others for the good of the church and the glory of God? (Philippians 2:3-8)