

DEFINITIONS OF BASIC TERMS

(The main source for the following is lexico.com, a publication of Oxford English Dictionary.)

Sex

- 1) “Sexual activity, including specifically sexual intercourse.”
- 2) “Either of the two main categories (male or female) into which humans and most other living things are divided on the basis of their reproductive functions.”

Gender

- 1) “Either of the two sexes (male and female), especially when considered with reference to social and cultural differences rather than biological ones.”

“The term is also used more broadly to denote a range of identities that do not correspond to established ideas of male and female.”

- 2) “In languages... each of the classes of nouns and pronouns distinguished by the different inflections they have and require in words syntactically associated with them.” Origin: Late Middle English from Old French gendre (modern genre), based on Latin genus, ‘birth, family, nation’. The earliest meanings were ‘kind, sort, genus’ and ‘type or class of noun,’ etc.

Sexuality

- 1) Capacity for sexual feelings.
 - 1.1) A person’s identity in relation to the gender or genders to which they are typically attracted; sexual orientation.
 - 1.2) Sexual activity.
- 2) The quality or state of being sexual. (source: Merriam-Webster.com)
- 3) Sexual character; possession of the structural and functional traits of sex. (Dictionary.com)

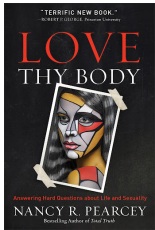
Notes on Definitions:

- We will define more terms throughout the sessions.
- Note that definitions and terminology change and evolve according to actual usage.
- Not all changes of terminology are neutral; they are sometimes intentionally advocated to advance particular ideas.

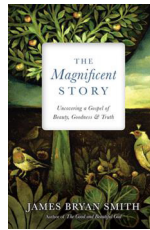
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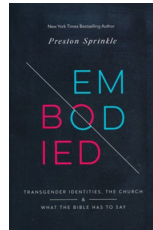
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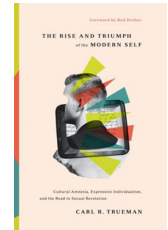
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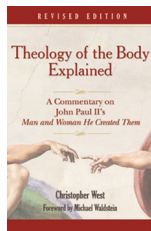
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