

MALE AND FEMALE

DID GOD
REALLY
SAY?

JANUARY 29

GENESIS 1:27; ROMANS 1:18-25; 8:20-25

DISCUSSION WIN:

Help your group embrace God's design for genders, grieve the effects of sin, and hope for complete restoration in Christ.

DISCUSS GOD'S WORD:

1. How would you explain the idea of gender to a child using Genesis 1:26-27?
2. In what ways have you seen God's design for gender enrich and strengthen your marriage (if applicable)? In what ways does your spouse model God?
3. God designed men and women to partner together in making disciples. In what ways have you seen this partnership play out in your life?
4. How does the fall of man introduce brokenness into God's good creation, according to Romans 8:20-22? How do our desires, perceptions, and bodies testify to this disorder?
5. If you or someone you care about has struggled with understanding or accepting their gender identity, what do we as a Life Group need to know in order to better love and care for these people?
6. In what ways can we challenge and encourage one another to pursue godliness and to glorify God through our relationships, including our relationships with those of the opposite gender?
7. In Romans 1:18-25, God tells us that the roots of our sinful choices are unbelief and idolatry. How does placing our hope for happiness in our gender rather than in God qualify as a form of idolatry that robs us of joy?
8. In light of these verses, how can we practically submit our bodies to God, make no provision for sin, set our minds on the things of God, and live according to the Spirit?