

# THE BEAUTY OF GENDER

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## BIG IDEA:

God design of the male and female gender is intentional, strategic, and beautiful.

## GOD'S DESIGN FOR GENDER IS INTENTIONAL.

**GENESIS 1:26-27** 26 Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

## GOD'S DESIGN FOR GENDER IS STRATEGIC.

**GENESIS 2:18; 20-22** 18 Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." ....20 But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. 21 So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. 22 And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man.

## GOD'S DESIGN FOR GENDER IS BEAUTIFUL.

**GENESIS 2:23-25** Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

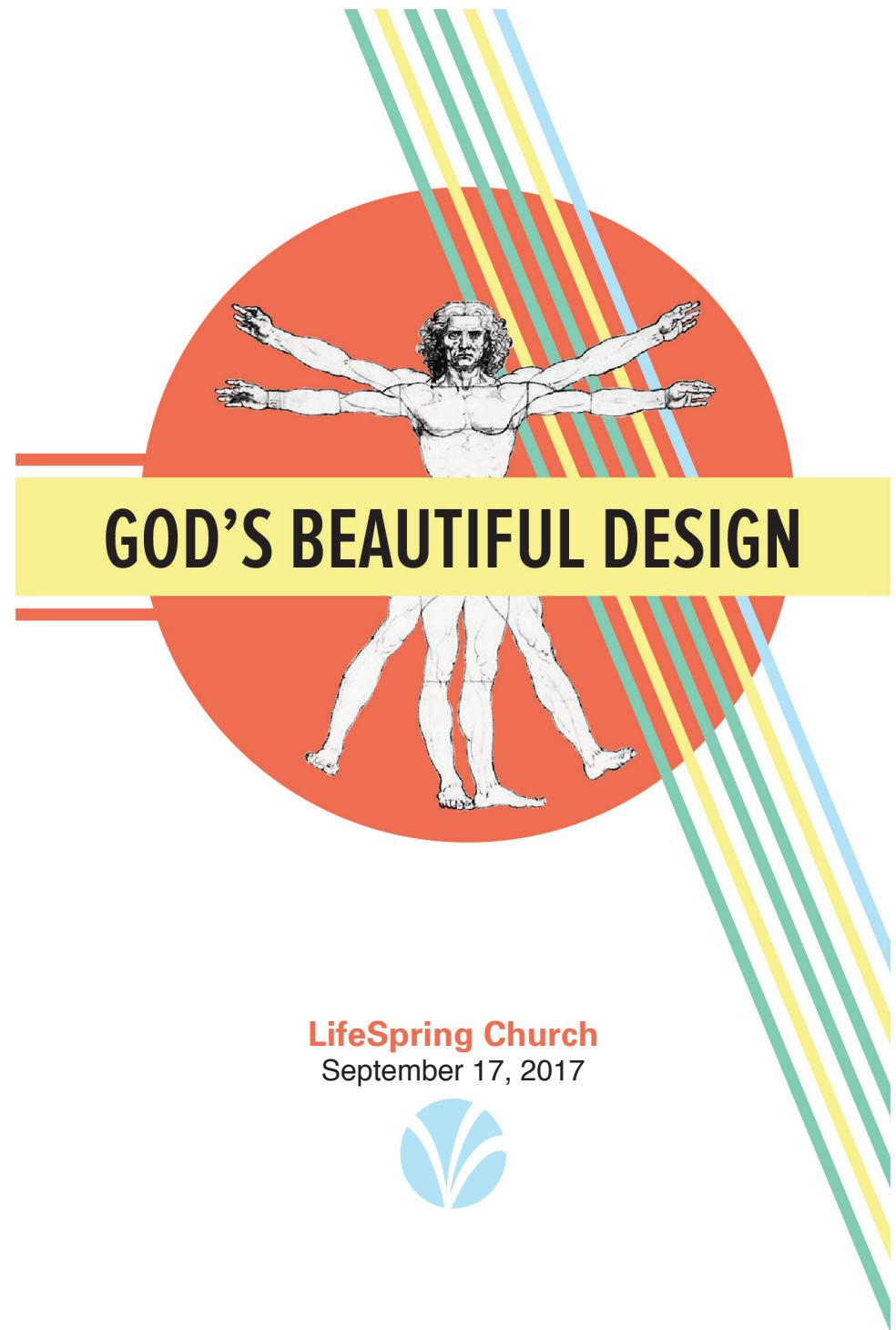
## CONFUSION ENTERS THE WORLD: GENESIS 3:1-13

### THE SERPENT'S STRATEGY

### THE DANGER OF DISHONORING GOD'S DESIGN FOR GENDER:

*In a fallen world, you cannot base your behavior on your feelings. Feelings are fallen, just like the world.*

When you have to hide, you know it's wrong.



LifeSpring Church  
September 17, 2017



## Sunday Services

South Campus · 9:30 and 11:00 am

Midtown Campus · 10:00 am      Tregaron Chapel · 9:00 am  
 Hillcrest Mable Rose · 8:30 am      The Lodge Church · 11:00 am

## NEW HERE?

Thank you for choosing to worship with us today! To find out more about LifeSpring, stop by guest services in the lobby and grab a welcome brochure. Visit [lifespringchurch.com](http://lifespringchurch.com) for more info, to view our events, and to listen to sermons. On our website you can also sign up for The City, it's how we connect the church 24/7. Finally, fill out a connection card in the seat in front of you so that we can get to know you.



**Gather** for worship and in LifeGroups



**Go** to our neighbors and the nations with the message of Jesus Christ

We exist to advance the **Gospel** of Jesus Christ by making disciples to the ends of the earth.



**Grow** to become like Jesus, live like Jesus, and love like Jesus



**Give** sacrificially of our time, energy, and money

## Ministry Staff

Lead Pastor • Dr. Steve Holdaway      Discipleship & Admin. Pastor • Dr. Steve Hicks  
 Worship Arts Pastor • Jeff Brocaille      The Lodge Church Pastor • George Doyle  
 Middle School/Comm. Pastor • Ryan Jantz      Children's Minister • Kelly Wallace

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## Middle School Hang

Tonight at Papio Bowl from 6:00 - 7:30pm. 2 games plus shoes for only \$6 plus tax!

## Baptism

Sunday, Sept. 24 at 5 pm. If interested, fill out a connection card or visit [lifespringchurch.com](http://lifespringchurch.com)

## Membership Class

Are you Interested in joining LifeSpring Church or finding out more about us? Come to our membership class, Saturday, October 7th at 9:00am. Sign up at [lifespringchurch.com](http://lifespringchurch.com) or on a connection card. Childcare deadline is October 1.

## Family Discipleship Packs

If you missed getting yours last week, the take home Family Discipleship Packs (for 3 year olds – 6th grade) are available, for free, outside of the Children's Ministry office.

## Service Opportunities

To learn more about the many areas available for you to serve at LifeSpring, grab a Service Opportunities brochure in the lobby or visit [lifespringchurch.com](http://lifespringchurch.com)

## Christmas Choir Rehearsals

Rehearsals occur on Wednesdays from 6:30 - 7:25pm in the Lobby. Join with other high school students and adults in the thrill of working together to prepare for the Christmas season. Share the experience by bringing someone with you.

## Singles Over 40 Ice Cream Social

You're invited on September 22 at 7:00pm in the Chapel for ice cream, games and fun! Register at [lifespringchurch.com](http://lifespringchurch.com)

### Last Week's Attendance

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|----------------------|------|
| South Campus         | 979  |
| Midtown Campus       | 96   |
| Tregaron Chapel      | 17   |
| Hillcrest Mable Rose | 7    |
| The Lodge Church     | 48   |
| Total                | 1147 |

### Budget

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| Monthly required       | \$124,995   |
| Given last week        | \$27,860    |
| Year to date budgeted  | \$1,057,649 |
| Year to date given     | \$1,059,920 |
| End of August spent    | \$889,217   |
| Growing a Legacy given | \$1,401,283 |

Together, our offering supports the work of Christ here at LifeSpring, in the local community, and around the world. Online giving is available at [lifespringchurch.com/next-step/giving](http://lifespringchurch.com/next-step/giving)

### GOD'S BEAUTIFUL DESIGN

**GUEST SPEAKER**  
**BRADY CONE**  
**SEPTEMBER 24**  
**"SEXUAL IDENTITY AND HOMOSEXUALITY"**

**Sunday morning at 9:30 & 11:00am**

**Sunday evening Q&A at 6:00pm**  
childcare available

### TURNING SETBACKS INTO COMEBACKS

**OCT 21**  
**6:00 PM**  
**LIFESPING CHURCH**

An outreach event for High School students – Adults.

There will be a meal, entertaining program, and inspirational guest speaker "Gus Gustafson" ([fullyarmed.com](http://fullyarmed.com))

Ticket availability and more information to be announced