



Sermon series: Genesis 1-11: The Story of (Your) Life
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The Story Who You Are Part II

Big Idea: Your body matters because God made it and sent His Son to save it.

Our bodies are _____ by God. (Psalm 139:13-15)

1. Your body is _____ by God.
2. Your body is intentionally _____ by God.
3. The body you have is the body God _____ you to have.

Our body _____ who we are, but it is not the _____ of who we are. (Genesis 1:27)

1. Our body shapes our _____.
2. Our body is not the sum of our _____.

Our bodies are _____ by sin. (Romans 8:21-23)

1. Every _____ human body is broken because of sin.
2. Our own brokenness should create _____ for the brokenness of others.

"We're all made of the same stuff and subjected to the same frustration. Christians should be some of the most compassionate people on the planet." -Sam Allberry

Our broken bodies are in need of a _____. (Romans 8:2-3)

1. The gospel our culture offers is _____.
2. The gospel the Bible offers is salvation is found in _____.

Because Jesus' body was _____ for us, our bodies can be made _____ again.

What are some of the most incredible things about the body and how God has designed it? Spend some time looking up interesting facts about the body and praising God for his craftsmanship of us.

*What are some of the things about your body and how God has designed **you** that you can thank Him for?*

In what areas are you most bombarded with the lie that who you are (your value and worth) is determined by your body? What truths do you need to remember when you face this lie?



What's one way that you experience or feel the fact that our bodies have been broken by sin? What are some of the struggles you have with your own body? (If you're in a CARE Group, consider just taking a moment and praying for each other after sharing here).

Who's one person you know who is struggling with a broken body that God might want you to reach out to and show compassion to this week? How are you going to do that?

In what ways does the Biblical story of sexuality and gender go against the cultural story of sexuality of gender? What are the differences? Are there any similarities?

- *How would you respond to someone who told you that the biblical story of sexuality and gender is harmful and hateful?*

Do you agree that if people only hear our biblical convictions and don't feel our Christlike compassion then the convictions will likely never be heard? Which side might you be prone to overemphasize – conviction or compassion?

Imagine for a moment that someone shared with you that they are struggling with their gender. How might you respond in that moment? Or imagine that someone walks into Keystone on a Sunday Morning who is transgender. How would you want to see the church respond?

What makes the gospel of the Bible such good news for our bodies? In what ways is it better than any gospel the culture might offer?

Memorize Isaiah 53:5 this week. Spend time praising Jesus that because his body was broken, we have peace with God and the hope of healed and whole bodies in the future.

Further Resources

- ["Transgender" -Vaughn Roberts](#)
- ["What God Has to Say About our Bodies" -Sam Allberry](#)
- ["Gender and Sexuality" -Andrew T. Walker](#)