

# **The Androgyny Deception**

## **Part 4**

**“Androgyny Today”**

# **This is the continuation of our study on fashions that tend to blur the distinction between men and women.**



**We have seen how, in the mid-1800's, spiritualistic, women's rights advocates wore knee length or shorter dresses over pants. We read that Ellen G. White declared that this was an abomination to God because it violated Deuteronomy 22:5. It was too close to men's wear. She prophesied that this practice would cause confusion and great increase of crime. Let's continue on from where we left off.**

# **We will be looking at the progression of fashion from 1870 to our current day**



**The five decades from 1870-1910 were tending toward a more healthful style of dress. No more hoops, no more dragging dresses, no more heavy weight on the hips, no more corsets.**



"LA MODE ARTISTIQUE." May 1880



**Skirts not dragging, waists not compressed.**

**1870**

**1880**

**1890**

**1900**

**1910**





**1920**



**1930**



**1940**



**1950**

**The next four decades made startling changes to the hemlines. Pants and tailored suits were becoming popular in the 1950's.**



**1960**



**1970**



**1980**



**1990**

**Pant suits, mini skirts, bell bottoms, unisex styles became popular in the next four decades.**

Over the years, Satan used fashion to promote rising hemlines. This was a violation of the principles of health and modesty. It tended to cause the exposed legs to become chilled.



**1930 Fashion Show**



**If you look at photographs of our SDA sisters over the years, you will notice that their hemlines rose correspondingly to the world's.**



**At first the stockings were thick. Then they became thinner, until today, bare legs under knee length skirts are common.**

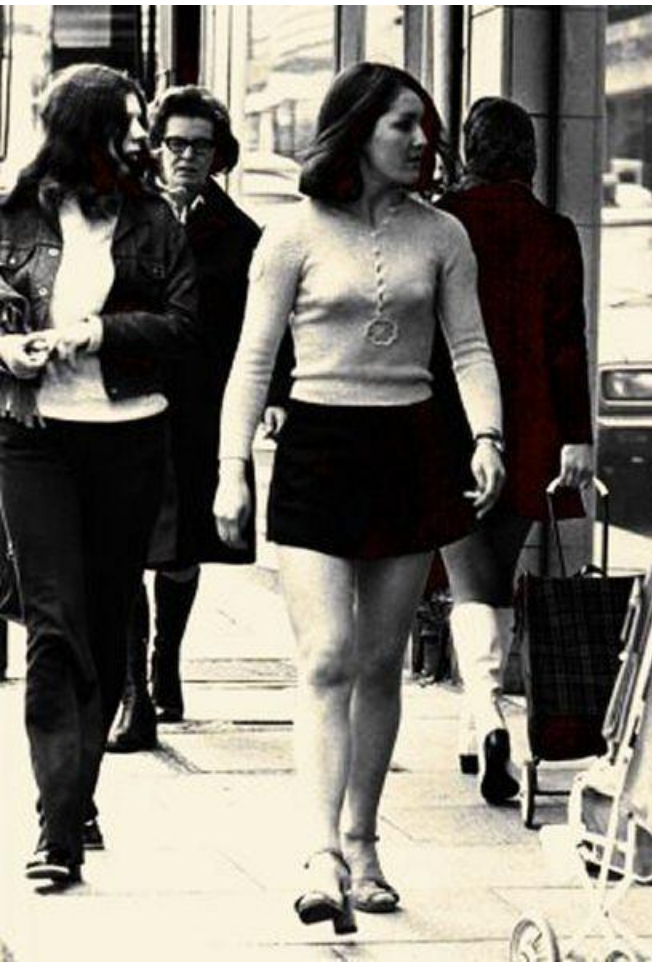
**With the legs exposed, with only a thin covering, women have suffered with cold legs for decades.**



**When Satan introduced a fashion that would keep the legs warm—pants on women, it seemed logical and sensible to accept it. Satan seeks to “correct” a wrong fashion by introducing another wrong fashion.**



**In the 1950's, women were not allowed to wear pants at our Seventh-day Adventist schools and camp meetings.**



**After the 1960s, when many SDA young ladies wore miniskirts, church leaders accepted pants on women as a more “modest” alternative to miniskirts.**

**Satan's strategy is quite clever.**

**In this depiction of the history of dress from 1400-2000, you will notice women had on long dresses for 5 centuries, until after 1900.**



**1400**



**1500**



**1600**



**1700**



**1800**



**1920**



**1950**



**1960**



**2000**

**Then, for 6 decades fashion raised the hemlines.  
Mini skirts gave way to pants after the 1960's.**



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**2000**



# How much does fashion influence what we wear?



Let's talk about one of the most influential fashion designers in the last 60 years. Yves Saint Laurent. It is said of him:

“Yves Saint Laurent reigns as one of the most influential and inspired designers in the world. He was the father of modern fashion and last of the great French couturiers. (cont.)

**“When he was beginning his career in the late 1950s, women and their lives were about to change. He opened doors with his mild and always elegant gender-bending, putting women in pants and safari looks.**





“In the next two decades he revolutionized women's fashion, pioneering mini dresses, the trouser suit and le smoking, the square shouldered tuxedo for women. Yves Saint Laurent changed the way women dress more than they know. But his most *enduring legacy* is so *pervasive* as to seem almost unremarkable: pants... He led a decadent social life, and was plagued with depression, alcoholism and drugs. He also broke ground as one of the first homosexual men to gain sufficient power and celebrity that he did not have to deny his sexuality.”



**Did Yves Saint Laurent  
influence the way  
Seventh-day Adventist  
women dress?  
For those following the  
fashions of the world,  
the answer is—  
ABSOLUTELY.**



**Would God have His daughters choose what they  
wear based on the influence of a godless fashion  
designer who intentionally blurred the distinction  
between men's and women's clothing?**

**How can we escape such a pervasive influence?**

**There is only one way.**

**EGW:** “We are aware that as we speak and write upon the subject of woman's dress we have to stem the current of custom. It is manifest that most women do not think and act in reference to dress from reason and reflection. *They accept, without questioning, that which society and fashion imposes upon them.* Few have the moral courage to wear a dress in opposition to fashion.” {HR, May 1, 1872 par. 2}

**We must pray for MORAL COURAGE to stem the current of custom. We must reflect carefully on what we choose to wear, and base it on godly principles, not on worldly fashion.**

**Have you ever heard this quote:**

***“They will not be the first to adopt the new styles of dress or the last to lay the old aside”?***

**Unfortunately, this statement is in our Church Manual. Many people mistakenly believe that it was written by Ellen White.**

**Thus, they conclude that Ellen White gave approval for our sisters to follow the fashions of the world, just as long as they weren't the first ones to wear it.**



**Ellen G. White did not write that statement,  
and it does NOT reflect God's principles. She  
says quite the opposite:**

**EGW: “Fashion is deteriorating the  
intellect and eating out the  
spirituality of our people.  
Obedience to fashion is pervading  
our Seventh-day Adventist  
churches and is doing *more* than  
any other power to separate our  
people from God.” {4T 647.2}**





**We find no encouragement in the Bible or the Spirit of Prophecy to follow the fashions of the world. Rather, we find strong statements such as these:**

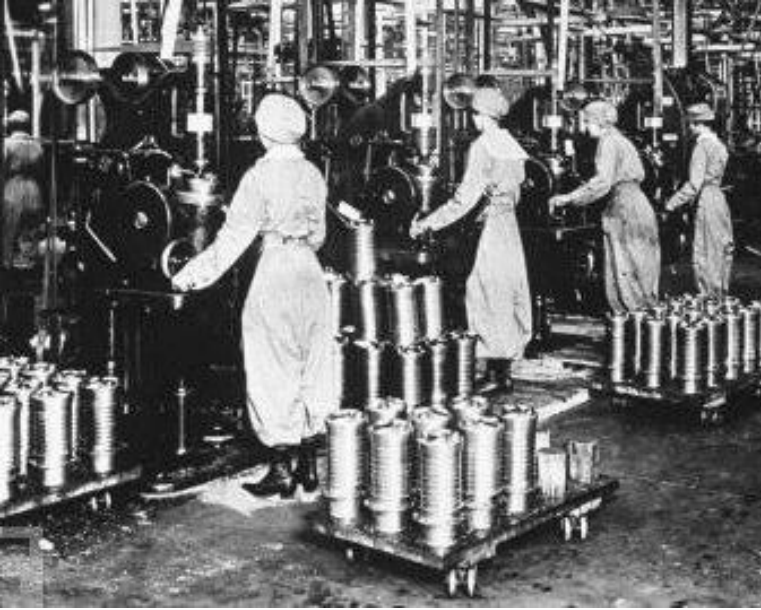


**“And as soon as any have a desire to imitate the fashions of the world, that they do not immediately subdue, just so soon God ceases to acknowledge them as His children.” {1T 136.1}**

**The feminist movement, communism, the military and the homosexual agenda have all promoted the removal of the distinction between the sexes.**







**World War 1**



**War helped to  
further Satan's  
goals of having  
women wear  
men's clothing.**



**World War 2**





**He used famous people and movie stars to get society used to the idea of women in pants.**





**Marlene Deitrich cross dressed. God calls cross dressing an abomination.**





From a fashion website:  
“Morocco—the Movie that  
Changed the Fashion Game.  
Unlike the traditional  
fashion, **this film introduced  
‘pants’ and ‘tuxedos’ for  
women**, which discovered  
an amazing hidden beauty of  
women.

After the film was released in 1930, Pants became  
the most sizzling sensation for women. Women  
have **copied men’s fashion** from this film in 1930,  
but will a day come when men will copy women’s  
fashion?”



**“It was unheard of for women to wear anything other than skirts until the 1930s when actresses Marlene Dietrich and Katharine Hepburn made pants fashionable.”** —Fashion Expert

**“Coco Chanel . . . stood out in her different, creative ideas, and the fact that she enjoyed wearing men's clothing.”**

<http://www.mybfcloset.com/2009/09/rewind-coco-chanel-wore-the-pants-first/>





“Dressing a **woman** in **men's clothing** was surely a **revolution** with regards to the feminine wardrobe, either a consequence of or maybe even in conjunction with the women's movement of the 1960s.”

<http://www.vogue.it/en/encyclo/fashion/t/pant-suit>

**When fashions become popular in the movies, they spread like wildfire. Just about everyone follows along.**

**How else could women have gone from dresses to pants in such a short time!**

**Does an Abomination to God turn into an approved practice just by the passing of years?**





**Unisex style  
jeans were  
popular in the  
1970's**

**Many SDA  
Christians  
followed this  
fashion  
without  
giving it  
much  
thought.**





**Instead of doing what  
seems right in our own  
eyes, we need to stop  
and think about what  
God wants!**







**When women started wearing pants, it was considered to be cross dressing. These women were scorned by society.**

**Now, since the majority of women wear pants, it is no longer thought to be cross dressing. Now, the interest in cross dressing is focused on the men.**

**Cross dressing has a tantalizing appeal. Many who are not tempted to cross dress are entertained by those who do.**





Satan has used the media to promote cross dressing for years. Society has been entertained and amused at this abomination.





Well over 100 major movies featured cross dressing even before the year 2000. It's greatly accelerating now.

Everybody has a secret...  
 Duke **wants** Olivia who **likes**  
 Sebastian who is really Viola  
 whose brother is **dating**  
 Monique so she **hates** Olivia  
 who's with Duke to make  
 Sebastian **jealous** who is really  
 Viola who's **crushing** on Duke  
 who thinks she's a guy...





**Gender bending started with clothing. The enemy has kept up his unwearied efforts until he has successfully blurred the distinction between men's and women's clothing.**







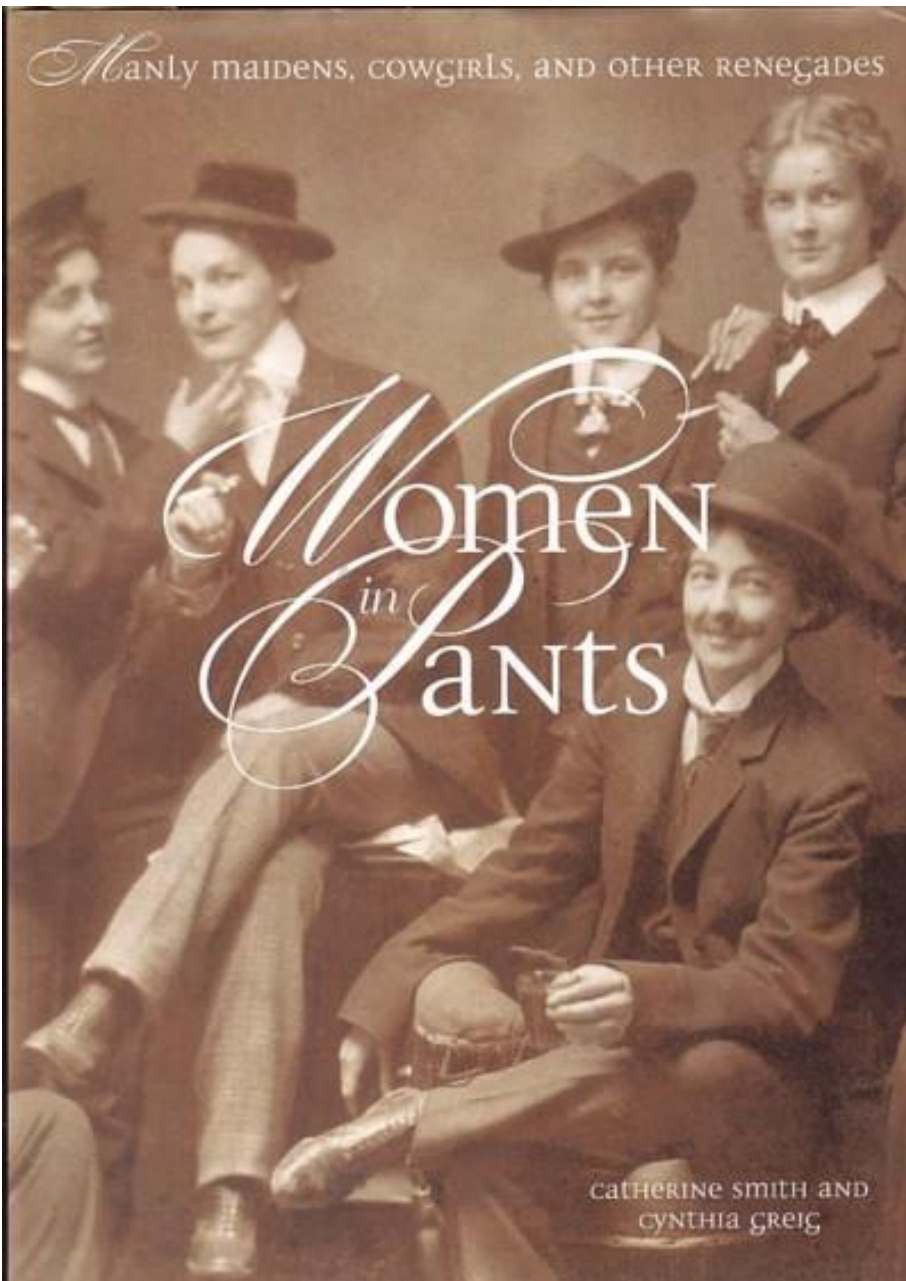
**Now we're totally accustomed to seeing women wear men's clothes at work.**





# Are we following in the footsteps of rebels?

**Where is the “plain distinction” between the dress of men and women that God wants us to have?**





**"The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the LORD thy God." Deuteronomy 22:5**





**The lines of distinction between the dress of men and women have been increasingly blurred. And it's going to get worse!**





**God's prophetess, in speaking about the American Costume, said, "There is an increasing tendency to have women in their dress and appearance as near like the other sex as possible, and to fashion their dress very much like that of men, but God pronounces it abomination." {1T 457.2}**

**“Trousers for women were considered "indecent" or "shocking" during the early 1900's and were considered men's attire.”—Mary Jewell, Feminism 101, Examiner.com**





**What used to be shocking is now totally acceptable in our society. Where is the line between abomination and God-approved?  
Fashion is very confusing these days.**



**But as if that's not bad enough, now Satan is working on the men, to get them to wear feminine clothing!**



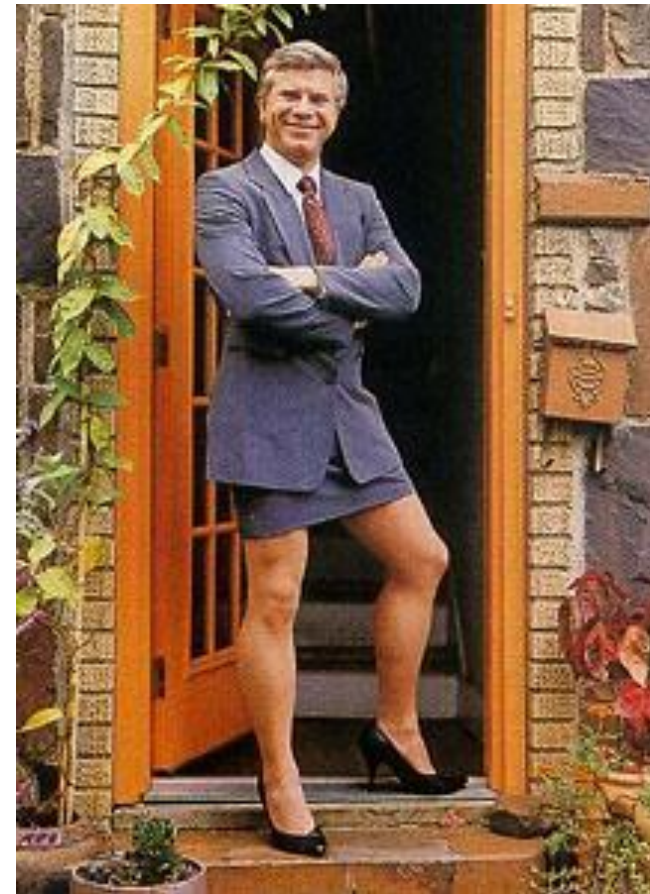


**Nothing shocks us any more.**





# Now there are skirts for men!





“Clothes that are a thermometer of social custom tell us that the differences between man and woman are becoming less defined and rigid. With the affirmation of women rights a new **androgynous** model of being is emerging.”

# Equality in Fashions

One blogger writes,

“Men must wear dresses. In fact, I would like to posit the theory that until all men are able to walk about in dresses without fear of mockery, losing their jobs or putting off potential mates, we will not have achieved freedom and equality in our societies. When it comes to clothing at least, women can do anything. But *do men have the same equal rights as women do* when it comes to clothing choice? Clearly not.”

<http://equalityinfashions.blogspot.com/2012/01/high-heels-for-men-androgyny-man-in.html>



# Male cross dressing is the latest rage!



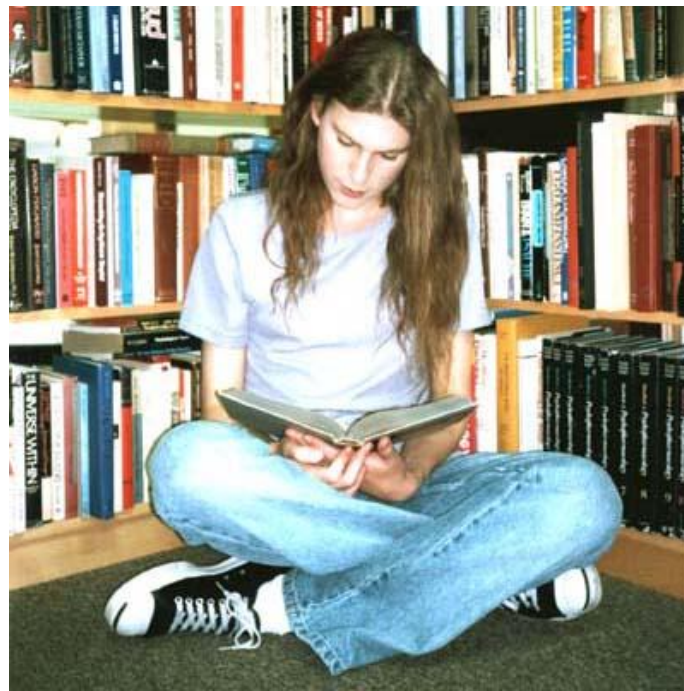
**Male cross dressers justify their actions by reasoning, “After all, women wear pants. So why can’t we wear dresses?”**

<http://www.sistersinskirts.com/crossdressing.html>





**Gender confusion is becoming a real problem.**





**Same-sex marriage is a prominent issue.**



**Homosexuality is at an all time high!**



**Lesbianism is celebrated!**

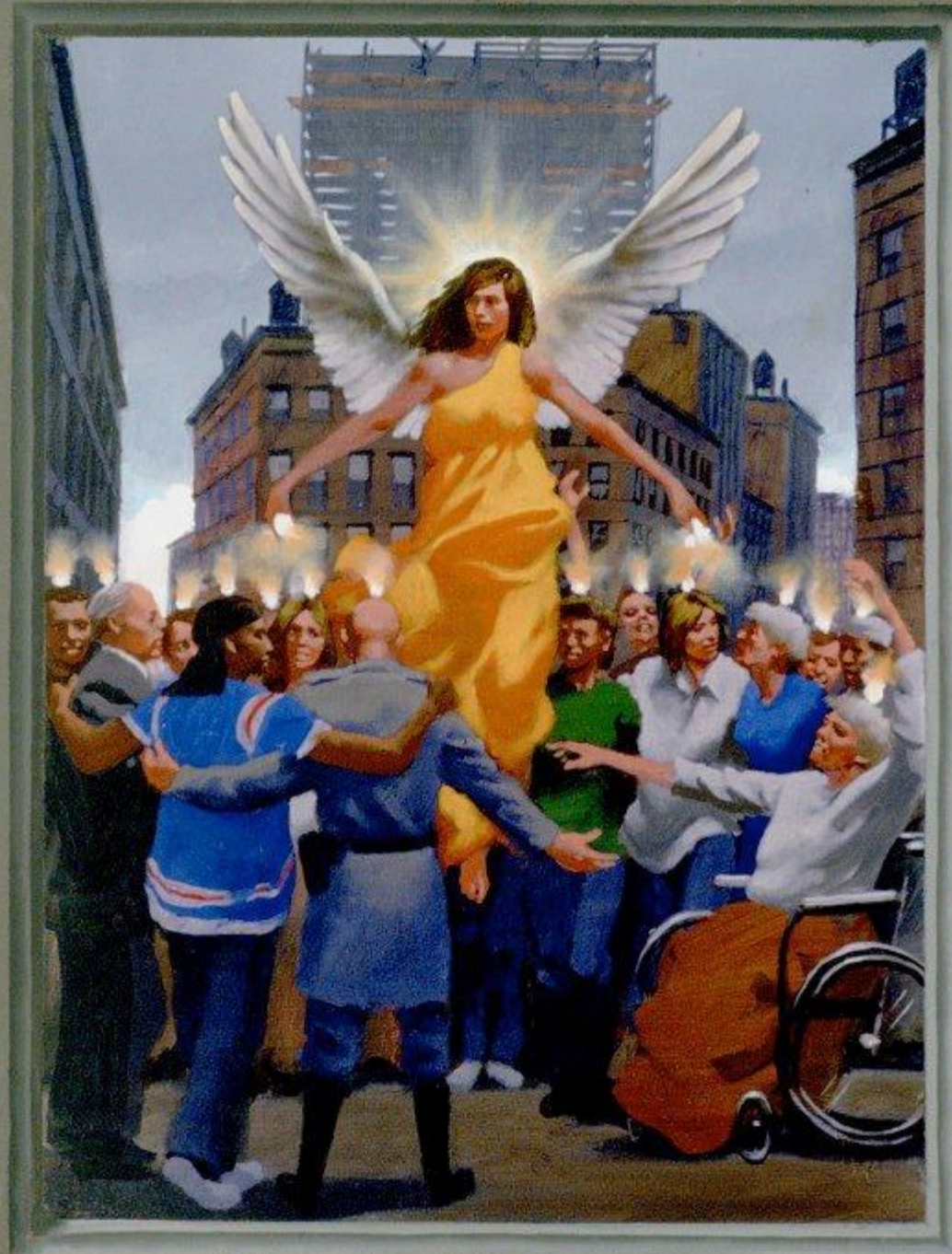




# Friends and relatives join in support of a same-sex commitment ceremony

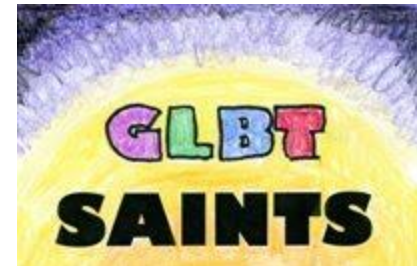






THE HOLY SPIRIT ARRIVES

The practices  
that God calls  
an abomination  
are exalted by  
pagans,  
Wiccans and  
many feminists  
to be the  
highest spiritual  
attainment.





**EGW: “There is no virtue in closing the eyes to these threatening dangers while you are allowing your minds to become infatuated and held in slavery to fashion's claims.”**  
{HR, June 1, 1877 par. 8}





Now we can see the great wisdom in God's counsel:

“God designed that there should be a *plain distinction* between the dress of men and women, and has considered the matter of sufficient importance to give *explicit directions* in regard to it; for the same dress worn by both sexes would cause confusion and great increase of crime.”  
{CG 427.3}

**Androgyny = blurring male/female distinctions.**

**“Androgynous fashion is everywhere these days, so it is important to have a clear understanding of this current trend.”—fashion designer, 2012**

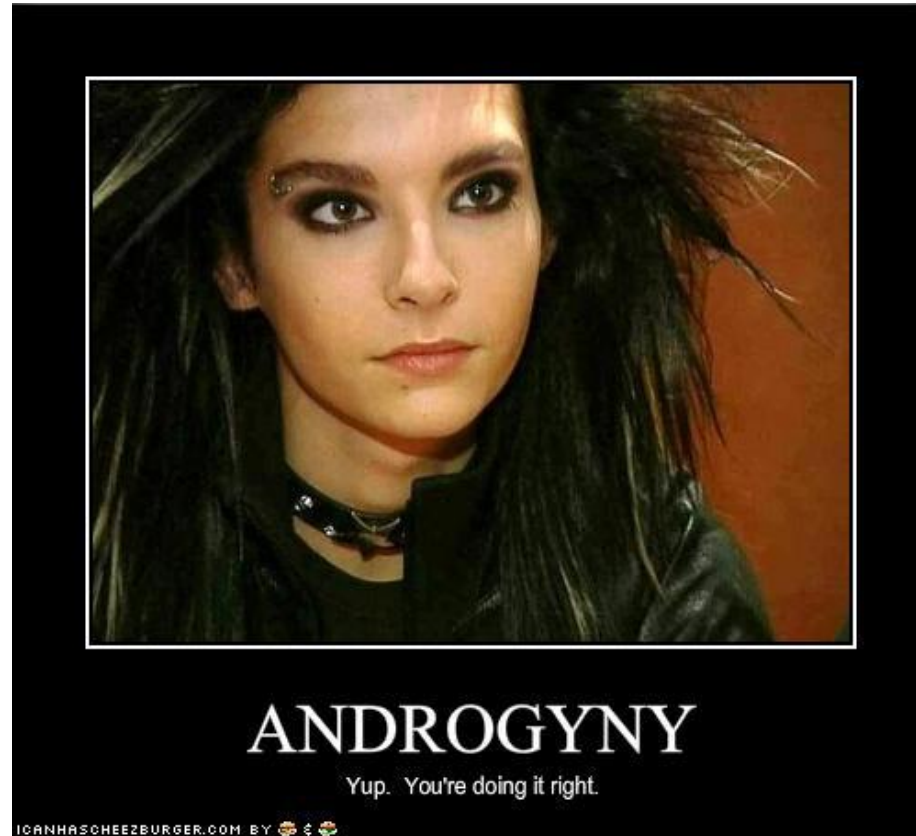


# Androgynous People - Male or female?





**It is Satan's agenda to blur the distinction between the sexes!**



**Cross dressing delights the devil.**

**Unisex clothing is created by his design.**

**Androgyny is his goal. He started with the clothing.**

**By  
participating in  
any aspect of  
his rebellion,  
we are  
furthering his  
agenda.**

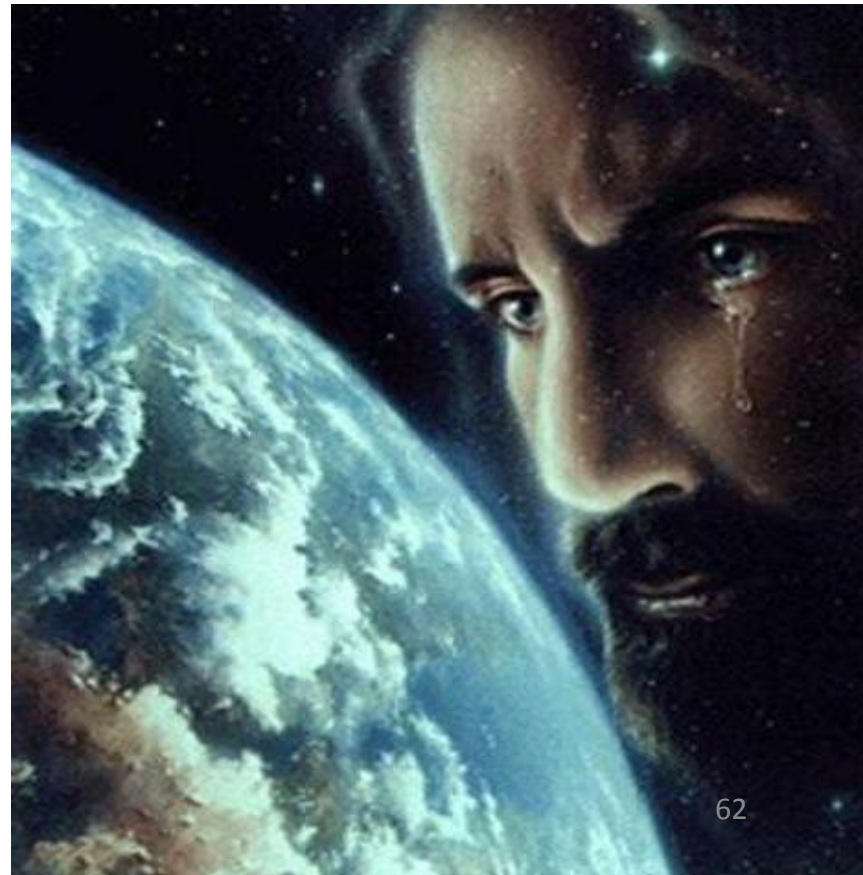


**We need to become alert and aware of the subtle  
delusion that has been creeping over us for years!**



**Satan wants to numb us, so we don't even recognize his most blatant attack on our Lord, and His Creatorship.**

**Androgyny is an Abomination to Jesus. And it's breaking His heart.**







“Feminists today celebrate ambiguity, tolerance and **androgyny**. They refuse to think in terms of “us-them” in regards to men. In this 3<sup>rd</sup> wave, women seek to erase their femininity and encourage men to abandon masculinity. Women and men become **gender neutral**.”



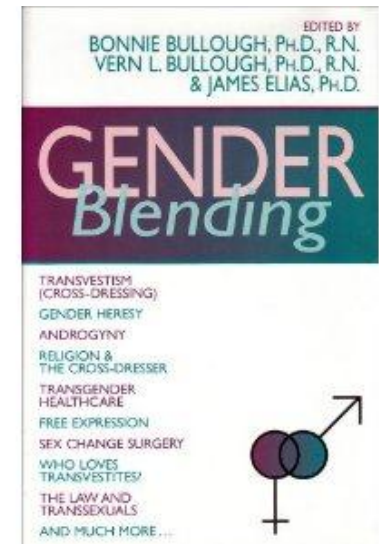
**Satan doesn't propose to make everyone sexual deviants or cross dressers. His goal is to so familiarize us with these abominations that we lose the sense of the sinfulness of sin. Those who tolerate and accept sin come to agree with Satan's agenda, which is incompatible with the mind of Christ.**

**First we abhor,**

**Then we ignore,**

**Then we tolerate,**

**Then we participate!**





# GENDER CONFUSION

We were bombed...twice. What's your excuse?

**Today gender confusion is rapidly increasing.  
What paved the way for this mess?**





**Have we not followed the fashions of the world in accepting this tendency to dress like the opposite sex?**



**Here are some of the latest fashions – ladies looking like men . . .**





**And men looking like ladies.**



# Androgynous

Debut collection

Coming this Fall



## ANDROGYNOUS STYLE



*You never know. You just might be...*

# androgynous

**This is spreading quickly. We must be on guard, or we will be swept along with the trend.**

**How  
To's**



*Be*

# ANDROGYNOUS

Here is something very serious to consider:

Many of the fashions that are coming out are termed **androgynous** fashions. The fashion designers are using the term “channeling” the fashions. Could they be referring to the **androgynous mindset** that the spirit guides are bringing upon society?

By wearing these fashions, could we be accepting the influence of the evil spirits that inspire them?

Let's consider what the fashion designers are saying:



A fashion blogger writes:  
“I am **channeling the androgynous trend** today and let me tell you, do I feel fierce! I'm intrigued by the juxtaposition of a super feminine silhouette with just a touch of menswear chic - there is **something so fun** about mixing masculine pieces with feminine flair.

<http://www.stylesbyola.com/2012/02/androgyny.html>



# “Chanel goes **androgynous** for women's fall/winter 2011/2012

“Chanel’s Ready to Wear women’s collection for Fall/Winter 2011/2012 is decidedly **androgynous** with its menswear focus!”

<http://www.examiner.com/slideshow/chanel-goes-androgynous-for-womens-fall-winter-2011-2012>



“Get your swag on ladies because we’re going all manly this season. That’s right, after a few cameo appearances the **androgynous trend** has now made its way into the **forefront of the fashion game** with everyone from Alexa Chung to Kate Moss wearing this look.”

<http://www.shinystyle.tv/2011/06/celebrity-and-designer-trends-androgyny-as-seen-on-alexa-chung-emma-watson-and-rihanna.html?pid=7361>







**“Androgyny is  
back in  
fashion, so  
man up, ladies**

“The most provocative woman  
may look more like a man.

“Many designers continue to  
**channel** Yves Saint Laurent's '70s  
sensibility.”

<http://www.chron.com/life/article/Androgyny-is-back-in-fashion-so-man-up-ladies-2149848.php>



# A Look At Modern Day Androgynous Women

“**Androgynous** fashion is becoming more popular as more women enter the professional workforce and assert themselves in positions of power. **Androgynous** women are re-defining what it means to appear sexy, fashionable and most importantly comfortable at a time in history where women are taking on and accomplishing more than ever before.”

[http://www.lifescrpt.com/soul/self/well-being/a\\_look\\_at\\_modern\\_day\\_androgynous\\_women.aspx?gclid=CPWRsJWotbECFeUaQgod4RUAow&trans=1&du=1&ef\\_id=zopQCK6lsMEAAASL%3a20120725170714%3as](http://www.lifescrpt.com/soul/self/well-being/a_look_at_modern_day_androgynous_women.aspx?gclid=CPWRsJWotbECFeUaQgod4RUAow&trans=1&du=1&ef_id=zopQCK6lsMEAAASL%3a20120725170714%3as)

# **“Androgynous fashion blurs traditional rules of style”**



Bo Breda says: “While women began adopting menswear into their wardrobes early in the 20th century, men only recently began experimenting with the markers of traditional women’s fashion.” “You have the idea of, ‘*Let’s get the man out of the pants.*’”

<http://insite.artinstitutes.edu/androgynous-fashion-blurs-traditional-rules-of-style-21858.aspx>





**We need to ask ourselves the serious question, Do we as SDA women dress similar to men?**



**Are we being led into the  
androgyny deception without  
even realizing it?**

**The association between women's God-ordained role in the home and in the church, and God's desire regarding women's dress is closely connected.**







**The way a women dresses has a major impact on her willingness to submit to her God-ordained role.**

**Rebellion against God's order is often first revealed in the dress.**





“The truth is, a woman wearing jeans is something much bigger than simply the wardrobe choice of a single individual. Either consciously or unconsciously, it is a **symbol of conformity with the modern utopian ideal**, which is based on the flawed premise that there is **no ultimate difference between men and women.**”

**EGW: “It is as easy to make an idol of false doctrines and theories as to fashion an idol of wood or stone.” {GC 584}**

**Has not the theory of androgyny become an idol?**





**Ezekiel 14:6; Repent,  
and turn *yourselves*  
from your idols; and  
turn away your faces  
from all your  
abominations.**

**God's heart is  
breaking because of  
the abominations  
and idolatry in our  
midst today.**



**How do you think God feels  
when we trivialize something that  
pains Him to the depths of His  
heart?**







**Godly women may show that they are in submission to God's rules of male headship by refusing to follow the feminist agenda, and choosing to wear modest, feminine clothing.**



**Is it not time to conscientiously oppose  
Satan's gender blurring agenda?**

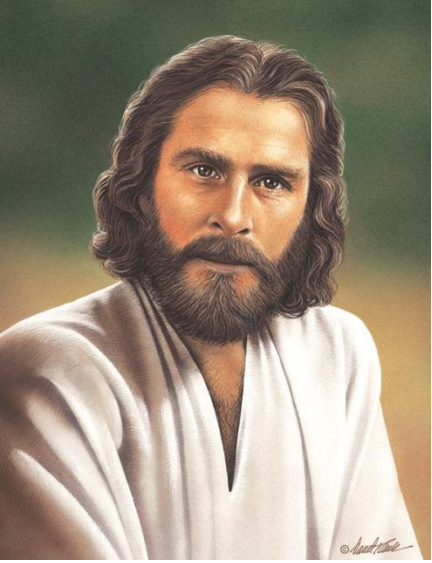


**EGW: “We are to reveal our faith in our dress.”** {YI, April 27, 1909 par. 7}



**EGW: “The very dress will be a recommendation of the truth to unbelievers. It will be a sermon in itself.”** {RH, May 30, 1871 par. 10}





**EGW: “The distance is widening between Christ and his people, and lessening between them and the world. The marks of distinction between Christ's professed people and the world, have almost disappeared. They follow after the abominations of the nations around them, as did ancient Israel.” {RH, June 25, 1861 par. 26}**





**Do these girls look like they're looking for Jesus to come?**

**Some may be thinking,**  
***It really doesn't matter what we wear!***

**But God says,**

**“The outside appearance is an index to the heart.” {OHC 273}**

**“Dress is an index of the mind and heart.” {1MCP 289.2}**

**What we wear reveals our attitudes.**

**Are we submissive or rebellious?**

**If Seventh-day Adventist women had followed God's counsel regarding dress, would we now be dealing with the demand for identical roles for women, as in women's ordination?**

**Is this not the result of the Creeping Compromise?**

**One downward step leads to the next.**







Does it really make sense to oppose the feminist agenda of women's ordination, but accept the feminist agenda of blurring the distinction between men and women's clothing?

These two issues are inseparable!



**God is looking for womanly women, who are not only modest and womanly in their appearance, but also in their innermost hearts.**

**God is looking for manly men who will encourage their wives and daughters to be modest and womanly and their sons to be true men.**





**Isn't it time for Seventh-day Adventist women to take a stand in making a plain distinction between the dress of men and women?**







**Many of us are in need of repentance regarding our past choices. We may need to apologize to our children whom we have wrongly influenced.**



**Is it not time for  
us to listen to the  
voice of the Holy  
Spirit, who is  
calling us away  
from the  
abominations of  
the world?**





**Today, it is not difficult to find clothing that is pleasing to God. It is not a huge sacrifice to follow His will in how we dress. But it does take moral courage, and the willingness to go against the tide of fashion.**



**What God wants is our hearts.  
He is willing to teach us what  
He wants us to wear if we will  
go to Him and ask Him!**



**EGW: "When they really  
desire an article of  
dress, or some  
ornament or  
convenience, do they  
lay the matter before  
the Lord in prayer to  
know if his Spirit  
would sanction this..."  
{RH, December 6, 1881}**



**Whatever God asks  
us to do, He  
provides the  
strength to  
perform. And He  
adds a rich  
blessing besides!**

**Our testimony of  
His goodness will  
radiate from our  
lives.**



**EGW: "Even the style of the apparel will express the truth of the gospel. Their dress bears its testimony to their own family, to the church and the world, that they are being purified from vanity and selfishness. They demonstrate that they are not idolaters." {6MR 161.1}**





**EGW: “We should not give a semblance of excuse to any for patterning after the worldly, changing fashions of this corrupt age.”**

**--Lt 7, 1894. {PaM 63.4}**



**EGW:** “Many who profess to believe the Testimonies live in neglect of the light given. The dress reform is treated by some with great indifference and by others with contempt, because there is a cross attached to it. For this cross I thank God. It is just what we need to distinguish and separate God's commandment-keeping people from the world. The dress reform answers to us as did the ribbon of blue to ancient Israel.” --Lt 7, 1894. {PaM 63.4}



**God will give us  
courage to walk in  
the light, even if  
no one around us  
joins us.**

**We cannot safely  
follow anyone but  
Jesus.**





**God never asks anything of us that is not in our own best interest.**



**Please know, dear sister, that no one is judging or condemning you. This is a call from the heart of God to seriously consider this matter, and study it out for yourself.**





**There are many who can  
testify to the goodness of God  
as they walk in the light He has  
given regarding our dress.**





**There is  
JOY in  
following  
Jesus!**



**May God help us to  
return to His principles  
as given in His inspired  
testimonies!**



**May God bless you!**  
**For additional studies on this topic, please visit:**



**[www.RemnantRaiment.com](http://www.RemnantRaiment.com)**

**[www.MovingTowardModesty.com](http://www.MovingTowardModesty.com)**

**[www.SistersInSkirts.com](http://www.SistersInSkirts.com)**



**EGW:** “We are living in the last days of this earth's history, and Satan is making determined efforts to subvert the mind. O that those who have for years been at war with the Testimonies God has graciously given in warnings to save His people from the snares of Satan, would come into harmony with the requirements of God. . . .

Satan's rebellion has been repeated over and over again in the history of our race -- a perpetual testimony as to the nature and results of sin and the working out of Satan's rule. Its sure effects on both men and angels speak loudly as to what will ever be the fruit of setting aside the light God sends, and of rejecting His authority.”

{PUR, May 6, 1909}

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