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The Living Sacrifice (Rom. 12:1-2)

- Spiritual service involves our bodies Romans 6:12-13; 8:11; 1 Corinthians 6:13, 19-20
- Bodies presented in acceptable spiritual service is dependent on inward renewal.
- Not merely outward, not merely inward.



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Instruction in context considers
 outward expression congruent with
 inward substance – 1 Timothy 2:8-10



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- Modesty kosmios 2:9; 3:2 inward finding expression in outward.
- Propriety ("modestly," v. 9, NASB) aidōs "shamefastness" (ASV) "modesty which is 'fast' or rooted in the character" (VINE) finds expression in modest apparel (outward).

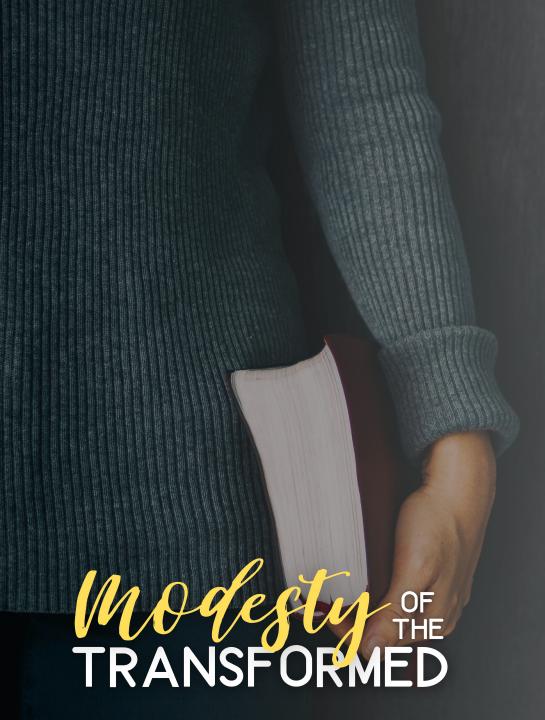


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- Phil. 1:9-11; 1 Thess. 1:2, 8; 2:13-14 inward translating to outward.
- Modesty is the well-ordering of life rooted in the inward man renewed by God's will and expressing itself in outer conduct which conforms to God's will, including the apparel of the body.



The Modest Heart and its Effects

The Pursuit of God's Favor

1 Timothy 2:9-10; 1 Peter 3:1-6

The Pursuit of Man's Interests

Romans 13:8, 10; Phil. 2:3-4; 1 Thessalonians 4:3-8



Is an objective biblical pattern for modest apparel a necessary reality?

- No order without a standard Adorn (kosmeō), Modest (kosmios), Kosmos (root)
- Godliness requires a standard –
 1 Timothy 2:10; 3:16; 4:6-8
- Not a matter of culture counter cultural.



The Covering of Nakedness is Necessarily Implied in the Instruction for Modest Apparel

- Clothing for covering nakedness –
 Genesis 2:25; 3:7, 10
- Nakedness not restricted to full nudity
 James 2:25; John 21:7
- "propriety" "a sense of shame, modesty," (VINE) – shame in nakedness (Genesis 2:25; 3:10; Nahum 3:5; Revelation 16:15)



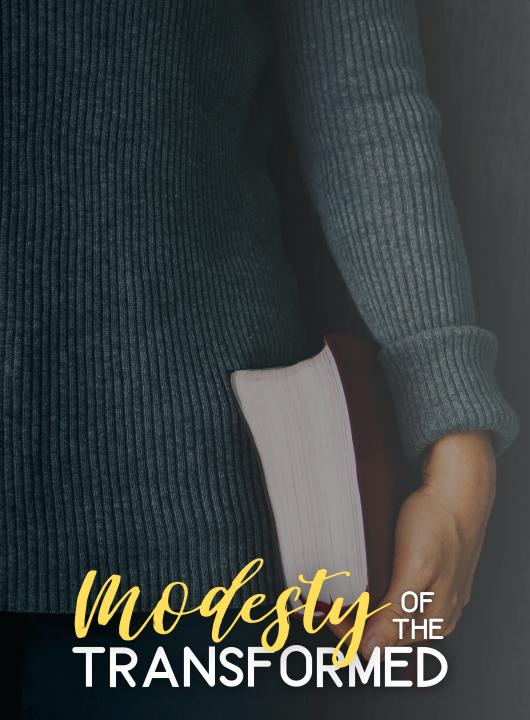
Nakedness defined = modest apparel defined

- Uncovered thigh Exodus 28:42-43; Isaiah 47:2-3
- Uncovered buttocks Isaiah 20:3-4
- Uncovered from shoulder to knee Genesis 3:10, 21 kuttoneth "generally with sleeves, coming down to the knees, rarely to the ankles" (Gesenius' Hebrew-Chaldee Lexicon) (Note: same for man & woman)



Modest Apparel, Human Sexuality, and Marriage

- Modesty honors marriage Heb. 13:4
- Body's sexuality, including revealed nakedness, reserved for marriage –
 1 Corinthians 7:2-4; Proverbs 5:15-20;
 Matthew 5:27-28; Proverbs 7:10; Isaiah 3:16, 18-23; Genesis 2:25; 3:7, 10
- Modesty secures sexual purity by covering nakedness.



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- Are we dressing with propriety (character) and moderation (wisdom)?
- Dressing modestly requires sound judgment (cf. Philippians 1:9-11) does my apparel reveal nakedness (at any time), accentuate nakedness, incite lust?

