

little girl who was being allowed around a man who had an exceedingly vile mouth, and she liked him. The little girl, who was too small to know what she was doing, began to take her clothes all off and run around naked. Her mother had a terrible time keeping her dressed. There is a good chance that there was a devil involved in that case.

This is warfare, mothers. The devil wants to get your kids, girls especially, to like to take clothes off. This aids him in his desire to corrupt them. 1Peter 5:8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: 9 Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.

3) Genesis 3:21 Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

Here we begin to find out what God's dress standard is.

A. God put coats on them both, showing that the upper and lower body of both sexes is to be covered.

Letting your boys run around shirtless or in short shorts because "they're boys and it doesn't matter" does not fit with God's pattern. I remember hearing a preacher tell how he was convinced that his kids were not dressed biblically. He and his wife and kids were walking in a park when his attention was drawn to another family there. He noticed that all of them were dressed modestly - dad, mom and kids alike. He looked at his own kids and realized that, while he and his wife were dressed appropriately, his kids were dressed "like Philistines." Do your kids look like Philistines? Do they look like

the heathen? Why not start dressing them modestly now, so they will be accustomed to it when they are older? Proverbs 22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

There was a time when boys wore short pants until they were deemed old enough to graduate to long pants. If I understand correctly, their pants were occasionally lengthened as they grew. The day they were allowed to wear full length pants was in a sense the beginning of manhood for them. It was something to be attained. It was a goal on the road to being a real man. They would not think of returning to short pants later for anything other than perhaps sports.

The same was true for girls in another sense. They looked forward to the day when their mothers started lengthening their dresses. When they were finally allowed to wear a full length dress they had "arrived." Women who allowed their girls to wear long dresses too soon were considered indiscreet in allowing their girls to "grow up too fast."

How things have reversed!

B. These coats were made of skin.

This is significant in that something had to die for their nakedness to be covered. We now see the picture in this of our Lord Jesus Christ having to die to clothe our spiritual nakedness.

But, the point we see here in this study is that God did not give them thin, transparent clothes, nor clothes that would cling and show their body shape...

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Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set (Prov. 22:28).

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MODESTY — A MATTER OF HEART

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A Beginning

What does God have to say about modesty and immodesty? Obviously we must look in His revelation of Himself to find out.

Now many helpful people, as well as the Pharisaical types, will dive right in and say, "Yes, Deuteronomy 22:5." Well, you got in late in the game. God started dealing with modesty and immodesty long before that, ladies.

1) Genesis 2:25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

Some folks will doubtless think this a strange place to start this study, but we are dealing with the word of God here.

This is the only time in history or the eternal future that we know for certain that anyone was naked and unashamed. From the fall onward on nakedness is a shame; and even God, His holy angles, and the saints in heaven that John sees in Revelation all wear apparel. In fact, we even find souls wearing robes in Revelation 6:9-11. Why do these, who are unable to sin, need to wear clothes? That is a hard question, but something changed unalterably when Adam and Eve fell in the Garden of Eden.

Adam and Eve had hearts that were perfect with God when they were created. There was no sin in them and so they could be as God had created them, naked, without shame. That changed instantly when they allowed sin into their hearts.

God in His wisdom has never reversed the need for apparel, even in heaven where they have no sin. Nakedness has ever after been covered,...



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- Sunday & Wednesday services in Bible Baptist Church, Kalgoorlie.
- Wisdom for Bro. Robert Javapro leading the Friday's Bible Study (6:30pm) for PNG folks in Kalgoorlie.

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- Need for church car
- Pastor Eugene Macale's ministries' financial needs: Bible Baptist Mission (Liloan, Southern Leyte, Philippines).
- Dondoy (Pastor Macale's brother) from alcoholism.
- Edna, Pastor Eugene Macale's sister-in-law, for complete healing of her stage-4 cancer.
- Kylie Mell's (Chris' wife) healing from multiple sclerosis.
- Financial needs of Bible Baptist Church, Talisay, Cebu under Pastor Gemmo Suberano.
- Pray for Pastor Romy Macale's teaching job's security in KBCHS.
- Healing of Bro. Jerry Penie's illness.
- New Christians for baptism.
- Needs of Pastor Sherwin Ramos & his family — missionary to Paraguay.
- Pastor Romy Macale to be Missions Conference Guest/ Main Speaker in Bible Baptist Church, Talisay, Cebu City, Philippines on Dec. 20-23, 2009.

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Modesty...

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...and somehow the covering has a spiritual meaning. The covering of the church's nakedness is inseparable from righteousness. Revelation 19:8 And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. 1Corinthians 1:30 But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption:

There is no going back. From the point of the fall onward, covering nakedness is essential in the holiness of God. Nakedness becomes associated with sin; either sin of the individual himself, suffering in judgment, or suffering from poverty or persecution. One of the horrors of those that reject the robes of Christ's righteousness for their soul may well be to stand before the holiness of God and all of heaven with nothing to cover their nakedness!

2) Genesis 3:7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were *naked*; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. And so we come to the fall. Once they had sin in their hearts, they knew they were naked and they were ashamed.

Contrary to what some will doubtless tell you, man's natural instinct is to put on clothes. It is the devil that inspires him to take his clothes off (outside the marriage chamber). Now, man's instinct is not holy, make no mistake. Though he does want to cover his nakedness, he does not naturally cover it enough.

Aprons are not enough coverage in God's eyes. These aprons that they

made were an effort at self-righteousness. They were trying to make themselves right in their own eyes. Such is the apron of Freemasonry. It is a blatant mimicry of Adam and Eve at regaining the lost sinlessness through their own means, not God's.

The decadent tribes (erroneously called "primitive" in evolutionary lingo) almost all have their own "aprons" of some sort which they feel they must wear in order not to be "naked," even if it amounts to little more than a string. Christians and salted people look at them and say, "You are still naked." That is because we know that their standard is not up to God's!

When people start taking their clothes off, you can be pretty sure that there are devils involved; either devil worship, Exodus 32:25 with 1 Corinthians 10:19-20; or devil possession, Luke 8:27. In some few cases, people that take their clothes off may do so because they are totally out of their mind or senile, but the general rule is that it is of the devil. This is why as western civilization has fallen more and more under Satan's control and become less salted, they have taken more and more clothes off. In general, we see that the more light they had, and the farther they have fallen from it, the more nakedness is evident among people.

Little girls like to put ON clothes. They like to put on their mommy's clothes, and will often wear skirts and dresses by preference. It is adults who teach them that it is cute to take their clothes off -- adults who have had their thinking effected by the devil and the world. We heard once about a