

Godly men should dress per the Lords ways NOT the culture.

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Before we dig into scriptures and the character and nature of God let's remember why we wear clothing in the first place. It is die to SIN.

In the beginning mankind (Adam and Eve) sinned and tried to cover their forms in a apron. God saw this was NOT enough coverage and in

Genesis 3:21

Unto Adam also and to his wife did the Lord God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

God Himself placed Adam and Eve in a tunic / robe like garment
(to the knees or beyond)

The Hebrew word for coat is Kethoneth ..
a shirt:—coat, tunic, robe.

In truth, all godly men since Noah to Jesus have worn such a garment to cover their forms per the Lord's instruction and that ha never changed. In fact, Jesus is coming back in a tunic/robe per Revelation 19:13
And he was clothed with a vesture (robe) dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

**Today most (even claimed believers) are disobeying God by showing off their forms in a sinful manner of clothing. The dress standards have followed the fallen culture NOT God's Holy Word.

Note: we do not wear biblical clothes to be closer to God or look religious. No, we wear biblical dress to **obey Him** because we are born of Him! Test yourself to the biblical gospel and see many articles related to this topic and more, at the bottom of this post.

Heb 5:9

And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;

We see God working with His people (Israelites) all through the Old Testament, calling them out to be different than the world in many areas including their dress, so clothing matters. (We know this from the garden of Eden and the blood shed to cover Adam and Eve.)

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.

Dueteronomy 22:5

It was God who instructed breeches (later became pants in culture) for men.... not for women.

And thou shalt make them linen breeches to cover their nakedness; from the loins even unto the thighs

they shall reach: Exodus 24:42

Yes, this is an old testament command but we see the instructions for women as well as the character, nature and spirit echoed through the new testament, therefore it still stands today.

Satan is the destroyer of God's creation and he does it in many ways of which one that stands out very visibly in this culture is women wearing what pertains to a man (and growing in popularity) men wearing what pertains to a woman. Yes, contrary to popular belief, the clothing men and women wore had differences and how do we know that? Because if there were no differences then God would not have called it an abomination. Satan is using one such area in order to discredit and destroy the beautiful creation of God....man and woman...by mixing male and female identity in any way he can all the way down to the gender swapping of clothes.

We see in 1 Timothy 2 and 1 Peter 3 that women are to wear unadorned, long flowing garments that cover the form. Since the man is the head (authority) of woman (1 Corinthians 11) and the leader in his home, (Ephesians 5) he is to be the leader in all things of Christ so if his wife is to be dressed biblically, it stands to reason that the man (leader/head/authority) would be so as well.

That the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience. (Titus 2:2)**Young men likewise exhort to be sober minded.
(Titus 2:6)**

What should men wear or not wear? Looking at the guidelines for women in 1 Timothy 2 and 1 Peter 3 we see that God does not want any adornment on women so men would also fit within that category. Sports logo's and emblems, flashy colors, patterns, fashionable designs, advertisements etc. do not represent sobriety nor soundness of faith, are unbiblical and should be avoided.

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. (Romans 12:1-2)**Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. (1 John 2:15)**

God's people are not to be conformed to, nor love the things of the world so worldly, unbiblical clothing should not be a part of their lives.

Eve was not the only one in the garden when God covered their forms with skins/tunic/robe of animals (Genesis 3), Adam was as well so we know that God expects His men to dress in form covering clothes.

Men's clothing should be plain, simple, long loose and cover the form with a tunic/robe; not tight or too small. Some plain groups have man made rules that the men in the body are to wear shirts tucked into their pants (of

which many are very tight) as well as suspenders thereby showing off their entire form.

We see many verses in scripture that show men wore britches (*Exodus 28:42; Exodus 39:27-28; Leviticus 6:10; Leviticus 16:4; Ezekiel 44:18* and men girded their loins. That meant to tuck their coat into their belt (what they called a girdle) and they could do that because they wore britches underneath. Job 38:3 This left their legs unhindered for work etc.

Britches were a garment that covered the thigh of a man.

So we see from history (with evidence backing that up in God's Word- see previous mentioned verses) that men's britches could be shown when girding up the loins. (Contrary to women who did no such thing.) This shows a clear depiction between mens and women's clothing in that men (at that time) did wear britches similar to what men wear today. The difference is that most mens britches today are too tight and their shirts are nowhere close to long enough, loose enough or they tuck them in.

A godly man who is leading his home as an example of the Lord should wear loose pants with a long enough, loose, untucked shirt/tunic that covers their form. This would come close to resembling the modest clothing in biblical times that we see as our example.

Nowhere in God's Word do we see a separation from being biblical at one certain time and then being allowed to be unbiblical depending on the circumstances; such as swimming, mowing lawn etc. It is double mindedness to think you should dress biblically covered just at the time you gather with other believers but then go into the world without a shirt on like while mowing the lawn.

Sadly there seems to be a great disconnect in people proclaiming Christ as they will dress up for their 'Sunday service' but then go into the world to look like and act like the fallen culture around them, frolicking on the beach in their nakedness like the pagans and heathens. To not be biblically dressed is to be naked according to God's Word. Besides the fact that we are to avoid all appearance of evil (1 Thessalonians 5:22) so the populated beach is not a place for a Christian.

Oftentimes in the summer when the temperature gauge rises, the men strip off their clothing as much as the women do (both being sinful/unbiblical) and on any given day a person can see multiple naked men walking around in public with form fitting pants and their shirts hanging from their back pocket.

God requires more of His people and that is to come out from the world and be separate, be holy, strive for perfection and that we were bought with a price and our body is not our own:

Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you. (2 Corinthians 6:17)

but as He who called you *is* holy, you also be holy in all *your* conduct (1 Peter 1:15)

Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect. (Matthew 5:48)

Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit *who is* in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? 20 For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's. (1 Corinthians 6:19:20)

It's clear to see through God's Word that men are to cover their bodies in God honoring ways all the time. They are to forsake clothing (or the lack thereof) that depicts the wretched sinfulness of the culture and instead be a godly, shining light and example both inside and out to that lost world around them.