







The Ethics of Beauty: On Gender: The Reconciliation of Men and Women in Christ

An Interview with Dr. Timothy Patitsas

Webinar Show Notes

Agenda

- ❖ **Synopsis:** Join guest-host Christine Perrin, MFA, for a much-anticipated THIRD interview with author and Orthodox Christian theologian Dr. Timothy Patitsas to discuss gender and the reconciliation of men and women in Christ from his book *The Ethics of Beauty*. Join us for an evening to rediscover the older Beauty-first response to moral questions, the integrity of the soul, and the best possible human life.
- ***** Guest Announcements:
 - > St. Nicholas Press: Ethics of Beauty
 - ➤ Beauty First Films
 - Premiere held at Hellenic College
 - Tuesday, January 17, 2024
- Interview
- **❖** Audience Q & A to follow







Q & A

Some questions that were answered in the webinar

- Do you think our cultural descent into hypermasculinity and hypersexualized femininity has contributed to the current gender mixup and confusion?
- Do you see any significance in the use in Scripture of masculine pronouns to refer to spiritual beings?
- Does this tell us anything about these beings or about gender? Or is this primarily an "accident" of human language applied to super-human realities?
- In light of the reconciliation of sex and gender, do you think there is space to consider the ontological nature of the feminine and masculine because they are divinely and humanly embodied?
- Can this reconciliation occur between genders through a platonic friendship?

Encore Resources

I. Where you can find Dr. Patitsas:

- A. Interim Dean & Assistant Professor at Hellenic College
- B. Associate Professor of Ethics, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology
- C. Co-founder of **Beauty First Films**
- D. Board members with <u>Pappas Patristic Institute</u>, <u>the Russian Orphan</u> <u>Opportunity Fund</u>, and the <u>Center for Byzantine Material Arts</u>

II. Dr. Patitsas' Resources

- A. Books
 - 1. The Ethics of Beauty
- B. Articles & Essays
 - 1. Ph.D. dissertation
 - 2. The Marriage of Priests: Towards an Orthodox Christian Theology of Gender
 - 3. The Opposite of War is Not Peace: Healing Trauma in the Iliad and in Orthodox Tradition
 - 4. A Feeling For Beauty: The Aesthetic Ground Of Orthodox Ethics







- 5. <u>The City as Liturgy: An Orthodox Theologian Corresponds with Jane</u> Jacobs About a Gentle Reconciliation of Science and Religion
- 6. <u>A WORLD SPLIT APART- Solzhenitsyn's Commencement Address</u> Harvard University June 8, 1978
- C. Talks & Lectures
 - 1. YouTube search for Dr. Timothy Patitsas
- D. Podcast & Radio Interviews
 - 1. Close Reads Podcast: Episode: Our Favorite Reads of 2022
 - 2. Counterflow with Buck Johnson: Episode 227
 - 3. Holistic Christian Life with Cynthia Damaskos: Episode 151
 - 4. Hope in Source: Episode 11
 - 5. Recommended Reading:
 - a) Beauty First blog
 - b) Road to Emmaus journal
 - c) **Bright Mirror** by Christine Perrin
 - d) The Genesis of Gender by Abigail Favale
 - e) Leaf by Niggle by J. R. R. Tolkien
 - f) <u>Life Out Of Death: Meditations on the Paschal Mystery</u> by Fr. Hans Urs Von Balthasar
 - g) The Rise and Triumph of the Modern Self: Cultural Amnesia,

 Expressive Individualism, and the Road to Sexual Revolution by

 Carl S. Trueman
 - h) Habits of the Household by Justin Earley
 - i) The Masculine Mandate by Richard D. Phillips

6. Related Resources:

- a) Institute for Family Studies
- b) Moral Imagination Podcast:
 - (1) Who are You? Family, Politics, and the Hunger for Identity
- c) Anchored Podcast: Dr. Sweeting on Character Through Christ
- d) Quiddity (CiRCE Podcast Network): Poet's Corner
- e) <u>Shakespeare on Gender Identity Webinar Recording</u> by Heidi White







- f) Academy of Ideas: <u>Why do Most Relationships Fail? The Myth</u> of the Magical Other
- g) Ethics of Beauty 5: Gender in the Orthodox Tradition