

I was doing an educational outreach at Wesley theological seminary, and one of the students raised her hand, and said, “I know God doesn’t make mistakes...” I think.. O Gee... i know how this ends, and it isn’t good. But she surprised me. She said “I know God doesn’t make mistakes... so why do you think God made transgender people?” I said, “O, that’s easy. To provide a clearer image of God. A clearer image of Divinity. It’s right there in Genesis 1:26 and 27: “God said let us make humanity in our image... male and female, let us create them.” If male and female are made in the image of God, then God is similar to both but unlike either. That’s the very definition of Gender-queer. My God is totally trans!

You see, this is not a world of either / or... or absolutes. For goodness sake, Creation is non-binary!! To paraphrase Rev. Asher O’Callaghan, “God made day and night, but have you seen sunrises and sunsets? So many beautiful colors that you can’t see in either bright day or dark night. Yes, God made the land and sea, but have you ever seen a beach? A beautiful place of balance where the two meet. Creation is a wonderful universe of possibilities. It is filled with beauty and diversity and wonderful miracles made visible. **Just like us!**

We are powerful beings. We have been told what our gender was by the Dr that birthed us... by paperwork... by parents... by everyone around us.... And we have said.... I will take that under advisement... Or i am no longer accepting input on that. For we have listened to a much more powerful voice within. For we are powerful beings. That’s why so many have denied us, oppressed us, and tried to suppress us.

Because we reveal that the most fundamental thing about humanity
- the very first thing that is said about us - is subject to change.

And change and transformation are frightening and disturbing things to some people.

We have always existed. Yet access to hormones and hormone blockers are life giving... life saving... literally giving a life to us! They are a proven and medically accepted part of the path to a healthy and happy and productive life. And a parent should have the right to determine what is best for their child. The operative word is **THEIR** child. Their Own Child. No one. No government, no state, no politician, no court, should interfere with that parental responsibility and right to determine what is best for **THEIR OWN** child.

Ultimately, we just want to live our lives. **OUR** lives.

We want the freedom to be who we are as divine creations and children of God.

We are miracles. We are powerful beings.

Let no one tell you otherwise.