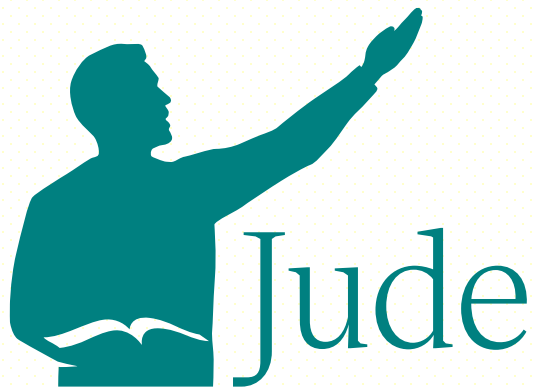


The 7th Jude Conference

17th January 2026

Held at Providence Baptist Chapel, Bedford, DV

Biblical Manhood & Womanhood in a secular age



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The proven biblical patterns for men, women, and children, designed by God for a life of purpose, stability, and blessing, are rapidly and foolishly being abandoned in favour of a new, secular way of living. Shifting cultural and social fashions, fuelled by social media and “influencers”, are shaping the rising generation. Once, it was feminism; today, we face new ideas like “toxic masculinity”, “gender fluidity,” and a host of other competing ideologies. We hear young people ask: “why should I get married?” “why have children?” or “why fix my identity?” Sadly, the inevitable consequences of living only for self, will inevitably lead to brokenness, loneliness, emotional pain, and unhappiness. These issues affect the church, and we therefore cannot ignore them. We must examine these new philosophies objectively and stand firm on biblical foundations. We look to Christ, who lovingly provides the unchanging, beautiful, and selfless blueprint for life that leads to lasting fulfilment and joy.



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Outline Plan



Chair ~ Pastor James Buss

Keynote: The Secularisation of Gender & Identity: our need to Return to Biblical Manhood & Womanhood (Pastor Oliver Wyncoll)

> God created men and women equal but with different roles (Egalitarian or Complementarian worldviews)

1. Christ The Perfect Man (Pastor Malcolm Watts)

> The perfect foundation for every believer

2. The Difference the Bible makes (Rev. John Thackway)

> The difference Christ makes to culture > 'Christian' & Non-Christian Cultures

> How Protestantism and the Bible transformed Western Culture including Manhood and Womanhood

> How the West lost its 'cultural bearings' > the rise of feminism

3. Biblical Manhood & Womanhood in a 'post-Christian' secular society (Pastor David Kay)

> Courtship, Marriage, Homelife, Church Life, and Singleness

-----LUNCH BREAK-----

4. Modern ideologies undermining Biblical Manhood & Womanhood (Pastor Darren Cadapen)

> Fruits of Rebellion against God's Blueprint > Medical & Psychological ills

Panel Session: Pastor Darren Cadapen (Chair) ~ (Pastor & Dr Tim Ramsbottom, David Kay, John Thackway)

> Pastoral Challenges & Educating Children in a 'woke' society > transgender issue > Same Sex Attraction > CRT

5. Sanctification: Biblical Manhood & Womanhood ~ (Pastor Jonathan Northern)

> Recognising the besetting sins and failings of 'men' & 'women' and cultivating their opposite virtues

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Chair ~ (Pastor James Buss)

Keynote: The Secularisation of Gender & Identity ~ Pastor Oliver Wyncoll

Biblical and clearly defined roles for men and women have recently been blurred or abandoned in favour of identical roles and responsibilities. Numerous self-defined genders have emerged, leaving chaos and confusion. We have unwittingly returned to the era of the Old Testament Judges, when each did what was right in their own eyes. We have created an "anything-goes environment". However, it is becoming clear that secularisation has not led to the anticipated liberation hoped for but instead resulted in loss and suffering for the rising generation and society at large. Our wise Creator God has provided a timeless and perfect blueprint for men and women. Surely there is now a pressing need to "Return to Biblical Manhood & Womanhood."

1. Christ The Perfect Man: The foundation for every believer ~ Pastor Malcolm Watts

To understand our God-given identity, our clear purpose, in a fallen world, we naturally turn to the only perfect human being who has ever lived, the God man, Jesus Christ. He alone defines how we should live, what we should aim for, and what our priorities ought to be. In this uplifting and Christ-centred message, Pastor Watts will strive to help us to "put on and learn from" Christ, and to "imitate" His perfect humanity. We "consider Him". Only Christ has the power, authority and wisdom to lay down the pattern for each of us to follow.

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2. The Difference the Bible makes ~ Rev. John Thackway

Through the centuries, since the Bible was printed and started to be circulated widely, it has had an enormous impact in shaping societies. When nations have turned to the God of the Bible, they have become upright, compassionate and strong. But when “truth has fallen on the streets”, societies have quickly collapsed, and an inevitable moral decline has set in. Protestantism and the Bible transformed Western Culture, partly through having a clear and cohesive pattern for Manhood and Womanhood. Whilst the West has lost its ‘cultural bearings’, with so many unbiblical and ill-conceived ideologies, could we be reaching a turning point? For example, even some historic advocates of feminism are now concluding that this experiment of the last 60+ years has been a complete disaster.

3. Biblical Manhood & Womanhood in a ‘post-Christian’ secular society ~ Pastor David Kay

In this practical session, Pastor Kay will examine how modern ideologies are shaping views on marriage, courtship, and family life. The biblical call for young believers to desire marriage and, where possible, establish a family is being overlooked, delayed, or dismissed in favour of independence. We suspect the rationale is: “why should I bind myself when I can be free to travel and pursue my personal pleasures?” When a family is started, the right balance between church, work, and family can easily be lost in favour of a focus on personal pleasure and “bucket-list” ambitions. How can we rediscover an ordered family life; one where the Lord is honoured, children are taught and loved, and a father leads, provides protection and mothers care and nurture?

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4. Modern Ideologies undermining Biblical Manhood & Womanhood ~ Pastor Darren Cadapen

It is increasingly evident that the adoption of new gender-driven ideologies is causing significant harm to society. These ideas represent a departure from God's divine blueprint for life and are clear evidence of the "fruits of rebellion" against Him. Tragically, God's truth is being deliberately suppressed. This rejection of God's holy ways is contributing to medical and psychological issues, the repercussions of which will be many broken and damaged lives. In this session, we will examine the variety of these new and sometimes not so new ideologies, considering their impact.

Panel Session: Pastor Darren Cadapen (Chair) + Panellists: Dr Tim Ramsbottom, David Kay, and John Thackway

In our panel session, we draw on extensive Pastoral experience as well as the insights of a GP to explore the challenges faced by believers in guiding and supporting children and adults in a 'woke' society. We will touch on topics such as transgenderism, same-sex attraction, critical race theory, and many more, engaging with written questions from conference delegates to facilitate an open and honest appraisal of these topical issues.

5. Sanctification: Biblical Manhood & Womanhood ~ Pastor Jonathan Northern

To conclude the conference, we will seek exhortation and encouragement as we identify some of the common besetting sins that are often encountered by men and those often encountered by women. We highlight the importance of developing and practicing the opposite positive virtues, as each believer is enabled by the indwelling power of the Holy Spirit to grow in godliness and grace as we live the Christian life in a challenging age.

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Past Conferences



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- 2020 > Biblical Sanctification
- 2021 > Building Stronger Marriages & Families
- 2022 > Developing a Healthy Christian Heart & Mind
- 2023 > Authentic Christianity or Cultural Surrender
- 2024 > Restoring Our Affection for the Local Church
- 2025 > Pillars of the Christian Faith: (Re-)Discovering the Doctrines of Grace

“The Jude Conference seeks to contend earnestly for the Faith, once delivered to the saints, in every avenue of life.”

Timetable – Jude Conference 17 January 2026

Conference Theme: Biblical Manhood & Womanhood

Welcome and Opening Worship	Pastor James Buss (Chair)	10.30-10.40
1. Keynote: The Secularisation of Gender & Identity	Pastor Oliver Wyncoll	10.40-11.00
2. Christ The Perfect Man	Pastor Malcolm Watts	11.00-11.40
Break (10mins)		11.40-11.50
3. The Difference the Bible makes	Pastor John Thackway	11.50-12.25
Break (5mins)		12.25-12.30
4. Biblical Manhood & Womanhood in a Secular Society	Pastor David Kay	12.30-13.00
Lunch Break		13.00-14.00
Opening Worship	Pastor James Buss (Chair)	14.00-14.10
5. Modern Ideologies Undermining Biblical Manhood & Womanhood	Pastor Darren Cadapen	14.10-14.40
Break (10mins)		14.40-14.50
Panel Session ~ Chaired by Pastor Darren Cadapen	Panellists: Dr & Pastor Ramsbottom, Pastor Kay & Pastor Thackway	14.50-15.30
Break (10mins)		15.30-15.40
6. Sanctification: Biblical Manhood & Womanhood	Pastor Jonathan Northern	15.40-16.10
Closing Comments & Prayer		16.10-16.15

