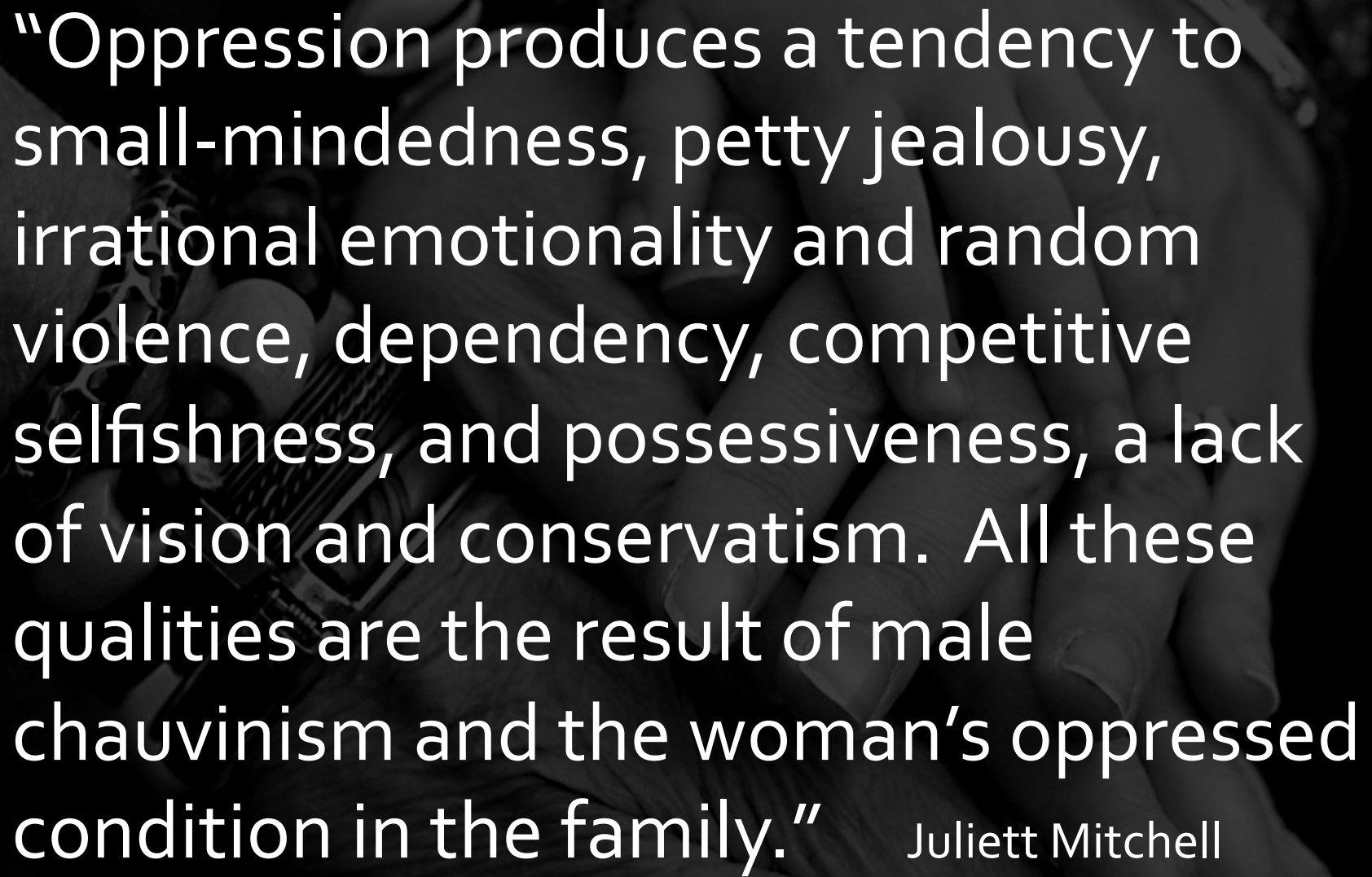




Happy
Mother's
Day



How does the
Bible view
women?



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¹ Timothy 2:9-15

to teach or to assume authority over a man; she must be quiet. ¹³ For Adam was formed first, then Eve. ¹⁴ And Adam was not the one deceived; it was the woman who was deceived and became a sinner. ¹⁵ But women will be saved through childbearing—if they continue in faith, love and holiness with propriety.

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- Women and fashion
 - Women and authority



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Paul is arguing against extravagance, but also arguing for moral respectability in fashion. A woman should be more than a sex object.

A black and white photograph of two hands clasped together. The hands are positioned in the center of the frame, with fingers interlaced. A watch with a dark, textured strap is visible on the left wrist. A ring is visible on the ring finger of the right hand. The background is dark and out of focus, showing what appears to be a piece of fabric with a subtle pattern.

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A black and white photograph of several hands clasped together in prayer, with text overlaid. The hands are of various ages and are positioned in a way that suggests a group of people in a state of devotion or support. The lighting is soft, highlighting the textures of the skin and the fabric of the sleeves. The text is centered and reads:

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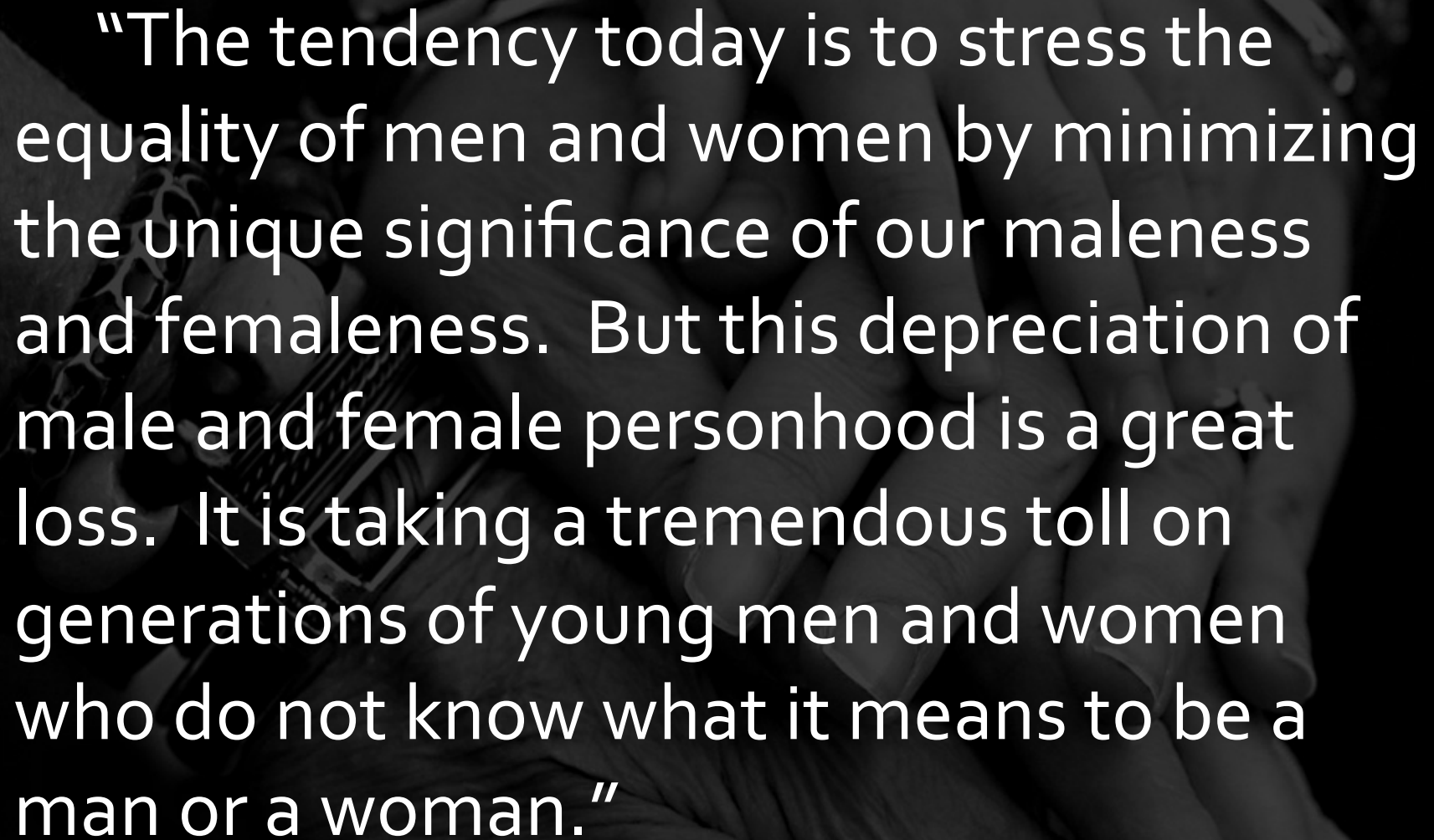
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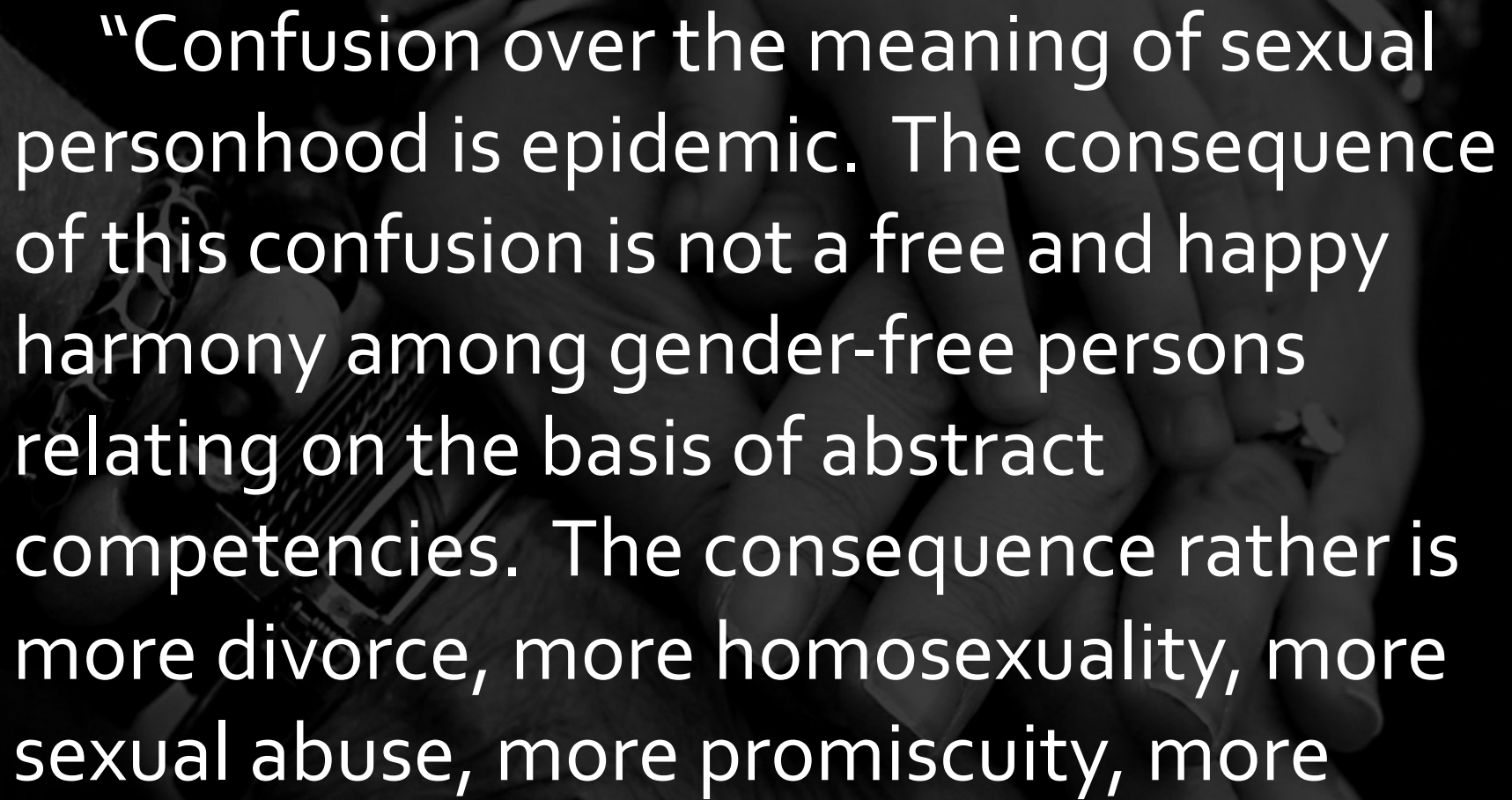
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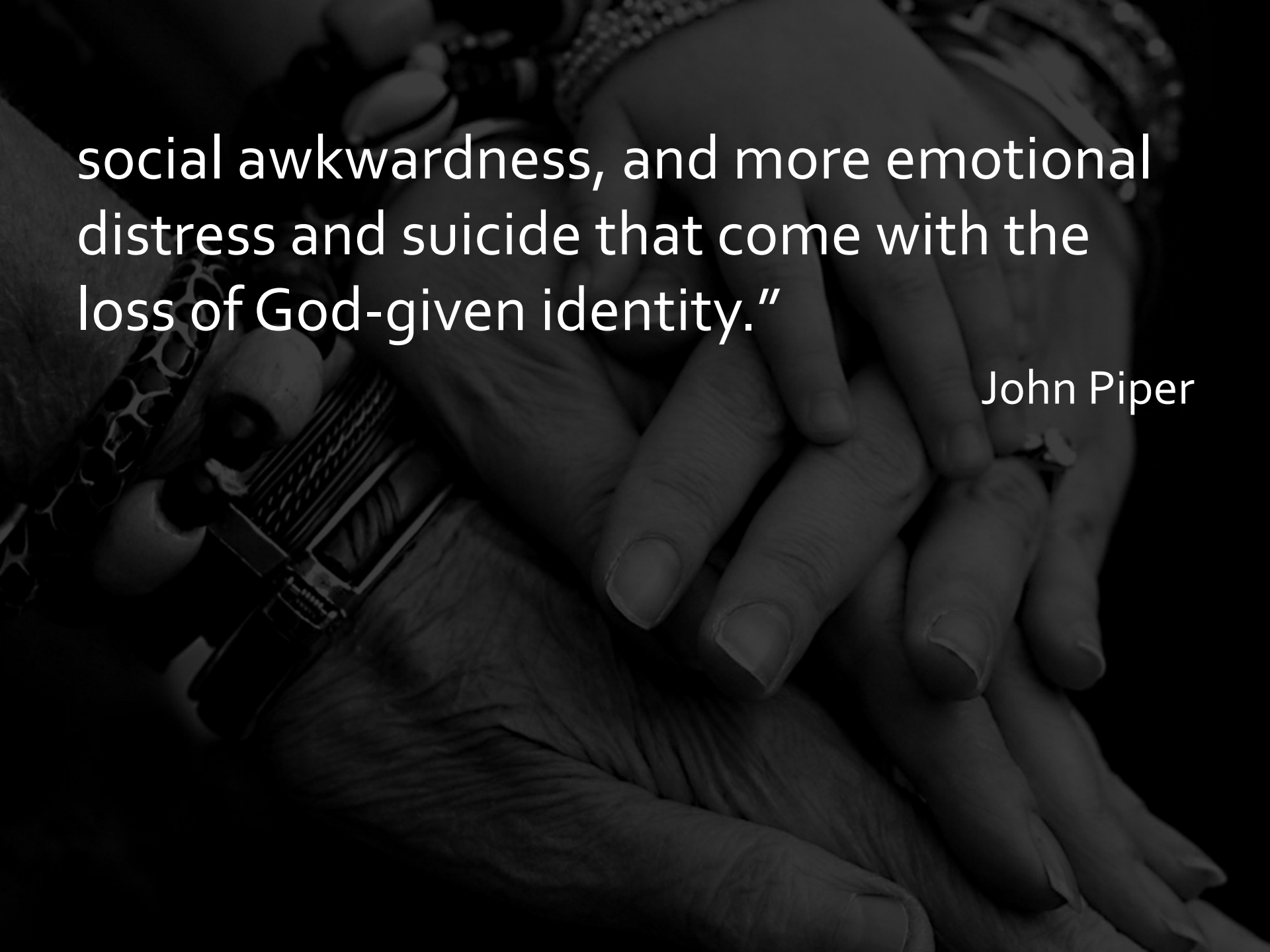
“Womanhood has to do with calling out and receiving leadership from men.” John Piper



“The tendency today is to stress the equality of men and women by minimizing the unique significance of our maleness and femaleness. But this depreciation of male and female personhood is a great loss. It is taking a tremendous toll on generations of young men and women who do not know what it means to be a man or a woman.”

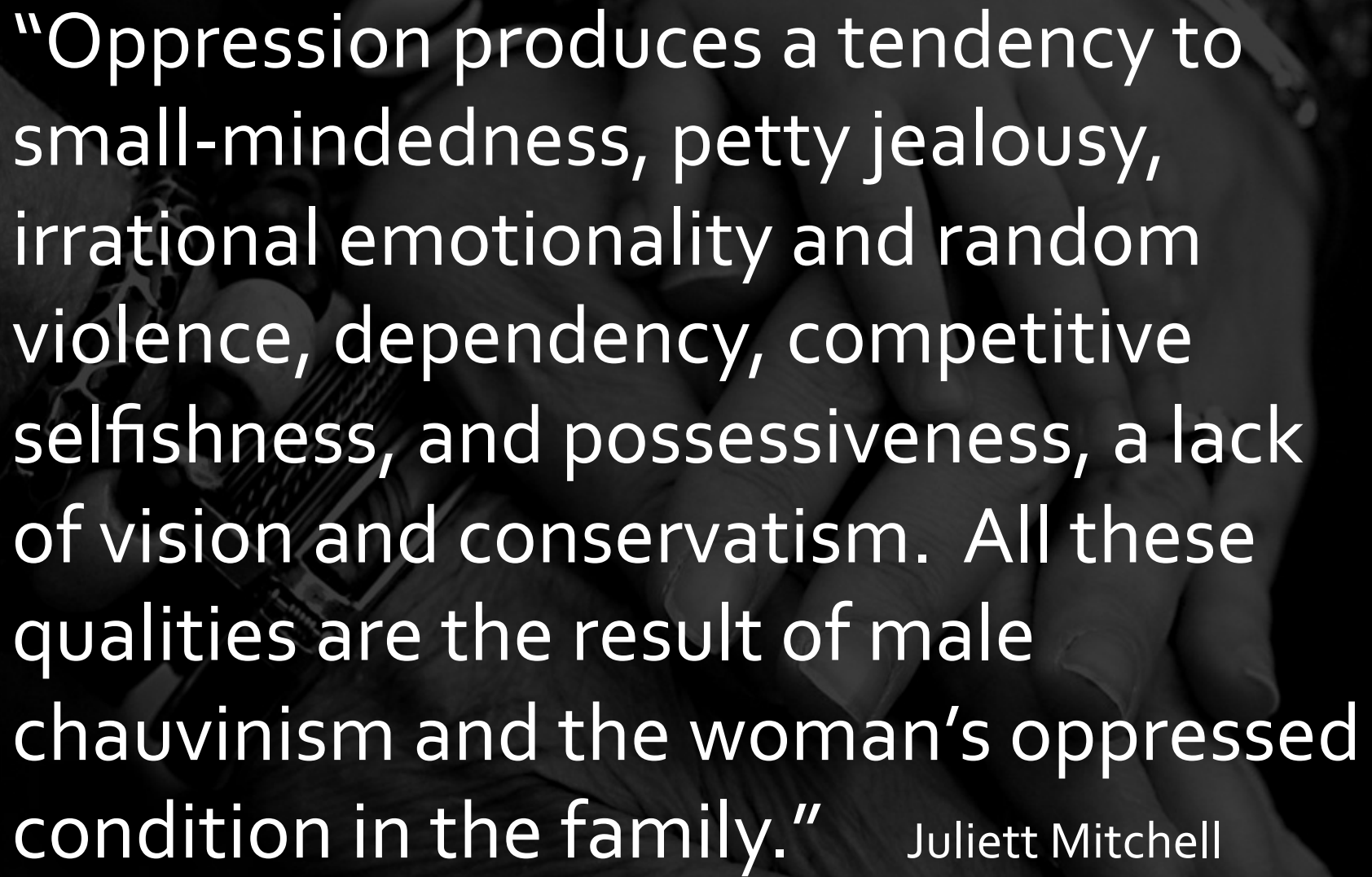


“Confusion over the meaning of sexual personhood is epidemic. The consequence of this confusion is not a free and happy harmony among gender-free persons relating on the basis of abstract competencies. The consequence rather is more divorce, more homosexuality, more sexual abuse, more promiscuity, more



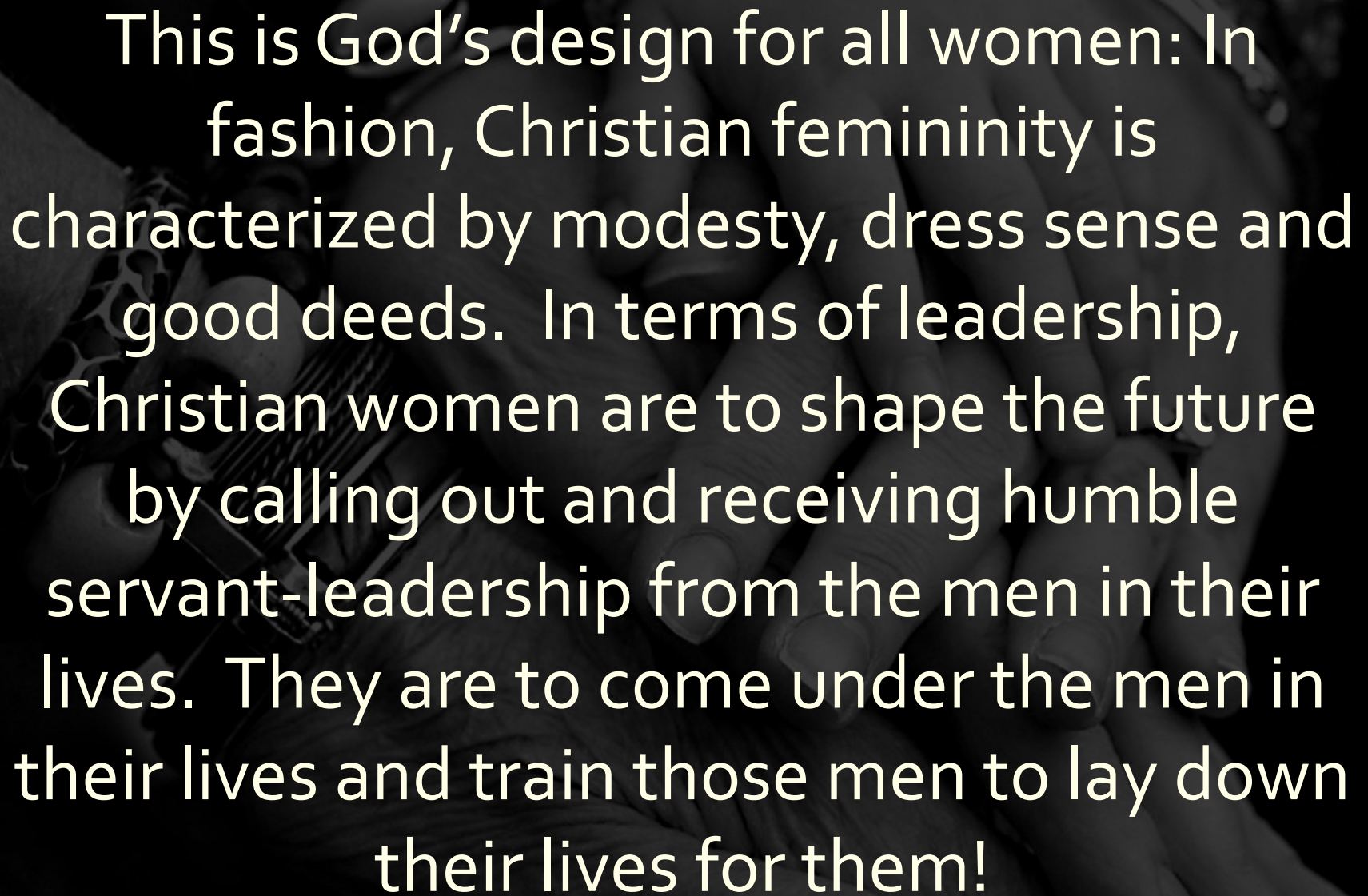
social awkwardness, and more emotional distress and suicide that come with the loss of God-given identity.”

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This is God's design for all women: In fashion, Christian femininity is characterized by modesty, dress sense and good deeds. In terms of leadership, Christian women are to shape the future by calling out and receiving humble servant-leadership from the men in their lives. They are to come under the men in their lives and train those men to lay down their lives for them!