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Transgenderism: The Essential Challenge

You might say that our
society has acknowledged. . . finally
three categories of human sexuality:
straight, gay, and bi

But what about transgenderism —
which fills out the rest of the sexual spectrum
— perhaps unrelated to sexual preference —
which is potent in its challenge to
Patriarchal Capitalism?

How will the status quo continue
to reinforce women's free labor in the home
which justifies their being underpaid at the workplace?
72¢ on the dollar a man makes for white women,
and even less for women of color and disabled women?

How will women's inferiority be reinforced —
The cult of motherhood and servitude —
If you can't tell the difference?



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