

9.5 FEMINIST THESES

To commemorate Luther's 95 Theses nailed to the church door at Wittenberg.

1. God created humanity, and whoever sins against any portion of humanity sins against God.
2. All human beings are equally children of God.
3. God created male and female to live in unity, and whoever exalts the one and debases the other sins against God.
4. The male who considers himself superior to the female is guilty of idolatry; the female who exalts the male as her superior is guilty of idolatry.
5. The female who submits silently to the degradation of herself or her sisters sins against God.
6. Whoever in the name of the church perpetuates patriarchal supremacy is guilty of heresy.
7. Whoever treats another human being as an object existing only to satisfy lust sins against God and the sacredness of the person.
8. Whoever sets ancient customs or traditions ahead of justice has sinned against humanity and God.
9. Whoever perpetuates the falsehoods about the inequality of the sexes infects the innocent new generation with an inherited disease.

9.5 Anyone who considers only half the human race to be fully human deserves

(Each person who reads this should complete the last thesis according to the dictates of his or her own conscience.)

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