

SHIRT BUTTONS



UNDERSTANDING THE REASONS
BEHIND WHY "GOD SAID SO"

Why are the buttons on men's and women's shirts on different sides?

Men's shirt



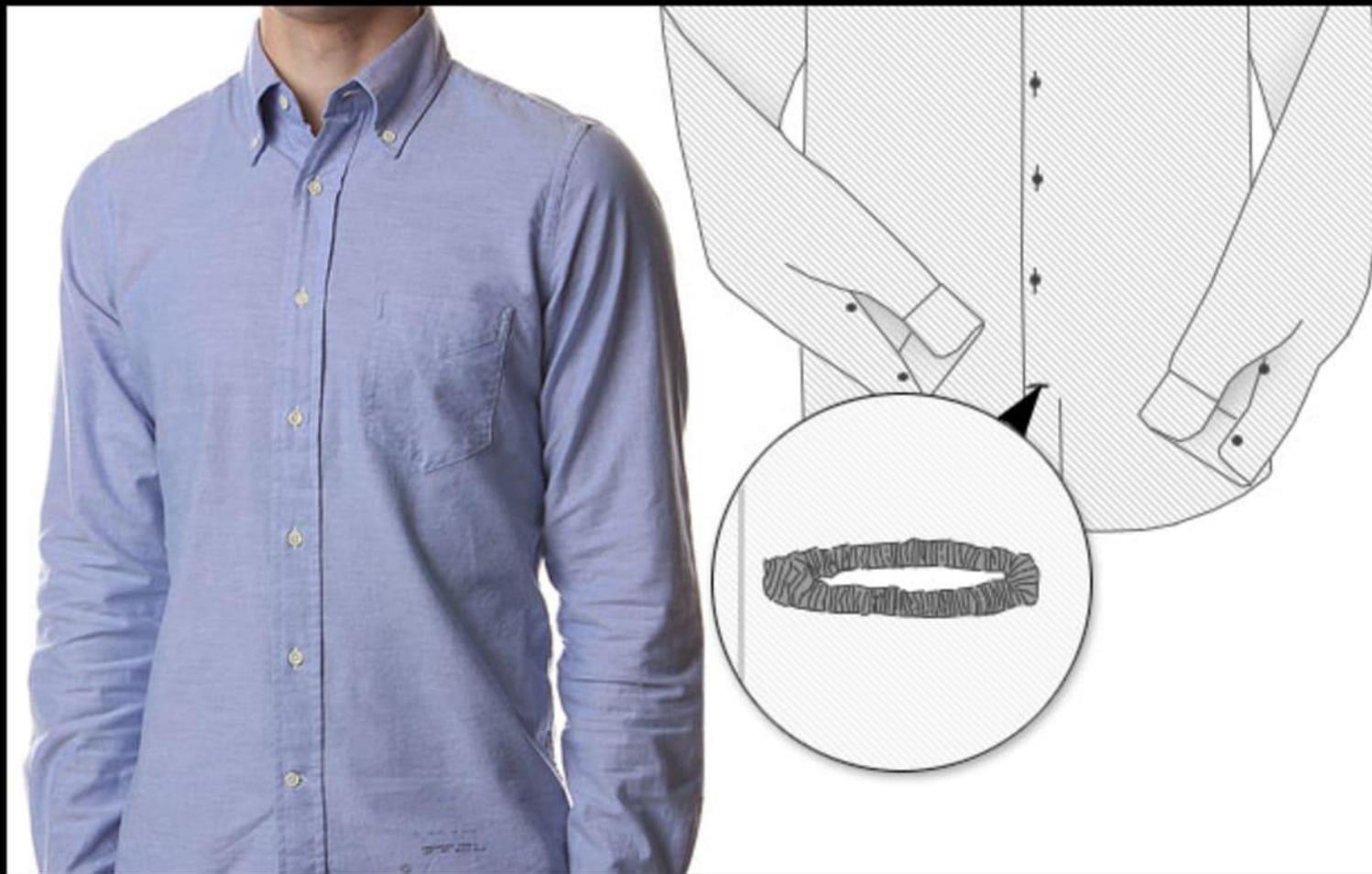
Women's shirt



Why are there two buttons on the cuff?
Which one should I use?



Why is the bottom buttonhole sideways and/or stitched in a different color?



So what...

- ⦿ Your knowledge/ignorance of these details have not prevented you from wearing button-up shirts.
- ⦿ However, understanding the details may help you:
 - ⦿ Possess lesser known bits of trivia
 - ⦿ Better wear a shirt based on the minor design's detail
 - ⦿ Inform others who may ask about why...
- ⦿ Little details matter, and there's usually a reason why things are the way they are.



Music in Worship



☉ Why don't we use instrumental accompaniment?

Because there's no authorization for it in the New Testament...

But what does God expect?

- ☉ Col. 3:16 – Teaching & admonishing one another, singing
- ☉ Eph. 5:19 – Making melody in your heart
- ☉ Playing or listening to instruments takes our focus away from the message & the melody “in our hearts”

Baptism

- ☉ Is baptism necessary? If so, why?
- ☉ Why must baptism be immersion?

Because that's how God ordained it...

But scripture gives us the answers for these questions,
thus increasing our understanding.

- ☉ Rom. 6:3-11 – Symbolism of Christ's death, burial, resurrection; teaches us to be dead to sin, alive to God
- ☉ 1 Pet. 3:18-22 – Saved through water



Lord's Supper

- ☉ Why unleavened bread & grape juice?
- ☉ Why every week?

Because that's how Jesus did it...

But its true meaning and significance is self-explanatory.

- ☉ Heb. 9:23-28 – Emblems of Christ's perfect sacrifice, offered once for all
- ☉ Acts 20:7 – Met on 1st day of the week to break bread
- ☉ 1 Cor. 11:17-28 – Proclaim the Lord's death & examine ourselves



“Because God said so” is a correct answer.

But how much more does a full understanding increase our own faith and help us to teach others.



A button fastens
two parts of a
shirt together.

Similarly, we must
button ourselves to
God and seek His
understanding (2
Tim. 2:7).

