Week#172: What are your views of optional cosmetic — plastic — surgery for purposes other than reconstruction? (Due 8 a.m. Monday, April 18. Prints April 23.)

As time goes by, we see more and more medical technology that is designed to help us overcome issues that are distressing to us. Purely cosmetic surgery is done to alter a facial or body feature that for some reason is not desireable, at least to us. Let us admit it, we are all fashionistas to some extent in what we chose to wear, how we accessorize, colors we choose and even the various forms of grooming and make-up products that we regularly use. We use body sprays to cover odors, we use pimple cream and hair gels and lotions to keep ourselves looking presentable. Thus, elective surgery is just that; if we can afford it as a luxury, there is no harm in choosing it. But we somehow need to all remember that beauty is far more than just skin deep. God sees us as we are.

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