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Back in summer of 2021, the late author Sir Terry Pratchett was at the center of a discussion regarding the question as to what his view on transgender people would have been. In order to hopefully answer this question, this presentation takes a closer look at one of his novels, *Monstrous Regiment*, examining it with the theories of Judith Butler. In particular, the theories applied concern themselves with the concepts of societal norms regarding sexuality and gender, as well as how transgressions of this norm, or people who exist outside of the norm are either pressured into replicating the norm in order to be accepted, or outright erased if they fail to do so. Another key point of Butler's that is going to be discussed with regards to the novel is the concept of doing justice to people who exist outside of the societal norms, and what doing justice to them exactly entails.