The Role of Male and Female

First Apostolic Church of Lafayette



God made male and female

Genesis 1:27

- So God <u>created man in his own image</u>, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.
 - Genesis 1:31 And God saw everything that he made, and behold, it was VERY GOOD.
 - Satan took note that it was very GOOD which stirred up his jealousy and propelled him to tempt man to fall from this position. (Gen 3:1)

God's Commission to Man

Genesis 1:28

And God blessed them, and God said unto them,

- Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth
- Subdue it
- Have dominion over the fish of the sea,
- Over the fowl of the air,
- Over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

Subdue kaw-bash'

A primitive root; to *tread* down; hence negatively to *disregard*; positively to *conquer*, *subjugate*, *violate*: - bring into bondage, force, keep under, subdue, bring into subjection.

The curse of the serpent

- Genesis 3:14
 - Curse of the Serpent
 - Cursed above all cattle
 - Cursed above every beast of the field
 - Upon thy belly shalt thou go
 - Dust thou shalt eat all the days of thy life



The Promise of the Messiah

- Genesis 3:15
 - Promise of the Messiah
 - enmity between thee and the woman
 - between thy seed and her seed
 - shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.



The Curse of the Woman

- Genesis 3:16
 - Curse of the Woman
 - greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception
 - in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children
 - thy desire shall be to thy husband
 - he (husband) shall rule over thee

This is a result of the disobedience to God's commission. Eating the forbidden fruit is opposite of the principles for the FAMILY (fruit of the knowledge of good and evil) worldly and carnal desires, ambition, and selfishness.

The Curse of the Man

- Genesis 3:17
 - Curse of the Man
 - Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife,
 - hast eaten of the tree
 - cursed is the ground for thy sake (Thorns and Thistles)
 - in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life
 - In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread (work for living)
 - till thou return unto the ground

Notice how the enemy came in – did not follow the authority of God and broke God's rank.

The Headship of Humanity

1 Corinthians 11:1-3

- (1) Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ.
- (2) Now I praise you, brethren, that ye remember me in all things, and keep the ordinances, as I delivered *them* to you.
- (3) But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman *is* the man; and the head of Christ *is* God.
- The head of EVERY man is Christ (not just the husband role –speaking of the gender of male)
- The head of the woman (again not just the wife role speaking of female gender) is the man (speaking of the male gender)
- The head of Christ (human ruler Adonai) is God (YHWH Eternal Spirit)

Submission to God's Will

 When humanity refuses the Spiritual teaching of the New Testament – it is speaking a message to God that we refuse the reality that we are fallen from Grace. The New Testament is the revealed guidance to fallen humanity and gives the only way to find redemption through the gospel (1 Cor 15:1-5, John 3:5, Acts 2:38)

Therefore those that refuse the Spiritual Guidance of the Apostles are assuming that they can be redeemed without the Holy Ghost.

 The Epistles are written to the BORN AGAIN saints, not to the world of carnality. Those that come into the Church must take heed to the New Testament teaching. It is dangerous to refer to the Epistles as being cultural for "Paul's time only". It is Spiritual instruction for the entire Church Age!!!!!

Family the core of society

- The fight against the Church is directed a the core- a fight against the family unit
- We cannot make the exception of the rule the standard, we must strive to make the standard God's Will. Those who have come from broken families must realize this a is result of sin, a result of the fall of man, not God's will.
- Every concept of the modern world acceptance fights against family values (No marriage, Fornication, Homosexuality, TransGender, Feminism) all come from lusts of the flesh and selfishness. Starting a family is fulfilling the Genesis Commission. It takes giving away oneself to become a real parent – childbirth and child rearing is a full time endeavor! Time to put the career, beauty, the perfect figure aside for your children!!!!!

Passing the Values – SOUND DOCTRINE!

- Values are passed down from Elders to Younger!!!!!
- Disregarding Elders' experience is NOT wise, thinking that the values of the New Testament are old fashioned is DANGEROUS thinking!!!!

• Titus 2:1-5

- (1) But speak thou the things which become **<u>sound doctrine</u>**:
- (2) That the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience.
- (3) The aged women likewise, <u>that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness</u>, not false accusers, not given to much wine, <u>teachers of good things</u>;
- (4) That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,

Not Blaspheming the Word of God

Titus 2:5

- (5) *To be*
 - discreet, so'-frone –

safe(sound) in mind, moderate as to opinion or passion self-controlled, sober, temperate

chaste, hag-nos' -

proper, clean, innocent, modest, pure

keepers at home, oy-koo-ros' –

domestically inclined, guard of the home, housekeeper

good, ag-ath-os' –

benefit, well

Not Blaspheming the Word of God

Titus 2:6

- Obedient hoop-ot-as'-so
 - In Subjection to (remember the curse of Genesis)

to their own *id'-ee-os* husbands *an'-ayr*,

- Id'ee-os (own –their)
- An'ayr (man of the house) could mean husband, but actually means the male figure of their life. If single, their father, the man of the house they dwell. If leaving alone, the man of God of the house of God, the Elder men of the assembly.
- This is not limiting this to the Husband and Wife relationship, the language is speaking in terms of gender not limited to marital terms.
- that the word of God be not blasphemed. (This is CRITICAL)

Passing down these values

Titus 2:6

- The values are passed down from Elders to Younger...
- If these values don't get passed down in the Church, they will simply not get passed down.
- The stay at home Mother is the keeper of the home, and this sets the fertile environment to train the children – Her desire is to her husband and he shall rule over her. All of Heaven is behind a Mother that rears her children to love God.
- The Father's place is to be the bread winner of the house Genesis said by the sweat of his brow he would eat bread.
- Can we not say assuredly that the previous generation of First Apostolic Church has handed us down this example? If we brush this off and take on another attitude we will RUIN the next generation and <u>blaspheme the Word of God</u>!!!

Women Leaders in Church?

• 1 Corinthians 14:34-35

- (34) Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law. (Referring to Genesis 3:16)
- (35) And if they will learn any thing, let them ask their <u>husbands</u> <u>at home</u>: for it is a shame for women to speak in the church.

• "lal-eh'-o" – to PREACH, to UTTER words, PROLONGED an AUTHORITATIVE speech.

It is a shame for women to take over the authority (oversight) and lead the Assembly in the Church!!!!!! Yes, woman can speak in Church but be careful not to take the oversight from the Ministry. This goes <u>against the Word and the Holy Ghost</u> and is not just a "old-fashioned" man-made teaching.

Women Ministry?

• 1 Timothy 2:8-10

- (8) I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.
- (9) In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array;
- (10) But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.
 - All Holy Ghost believers rather they be male or female are under the authority of God (God-Christ-Man-Woman) from 1 Cor. 11

Women Ministry?

- 1 Timothy 2:11-14
- (11) Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.
- (12) But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.
 - AGAIN notice the gender being taught NOT the marital relationship
- (13) For Adam was first formed, then Eve.
- (14) And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression.

Women Ministry?

- Absolutely NOT! It is a shame for a woman (gender) to take the oversight over men.
- It is a shame for a man to have long hair! (Nature teaches it)
- It is a shame for a man to wear the clothes of a woman!
- A man can not get pregnant!!! Mom = Women, Dad = Man
- Woman and Man are equal heirs to the throne, with distinct ROLES. It is the devil that confuses the gender and is ruining our society with CONFUSION!!!
- Therefore, the logic is simple it is a shame for a woman to preach to men!!!!!

Headship – The principle of HAIR

• 1 Corinthians 11:1-16

- (1) Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ.
- (2) Now I praise you, brethren, that ye remember me in all things, and keep the ordinances, as I delivered *them* to you.
- (3) But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God.
- Reviewing this chapter now what does Paul continue to teach?

The covering to honor our Head

1 Corinthians 11:1-16

- (4) Every man praying or prophesying, having his head covered, dishonoureth his head.
- (5) But every woman that prayeth or prophesieth with her head uncovered dishonoureth her head: for that is even all one as if she were shaven.
- (6) For if the woman be not covered, let her also be shorn: but if it be a shame for a woman to be shorn or shaven, let her be covered.
- (7) For a man indeed ought not to cover his head, forasmuch as he is the image and glory of God: but the woman is the glory of the man.

Man is the image and Glory of God

• 1 Corinthians 11:1-16

No such thing as woman angels – that is a false representation. Man is the <u>image and glory of God</u> – <u>woman</u> is the glory of the man. That is a spiritual truth – never in the Old Testament did our God appear as a woman – <u>it was ALWAYS a man</u>. A woman angel is not a Biblical concept.

- (8) For the man is not of the woman; but the woman of the man.
- (9) <u>Neither was the man created for the woman;</u> but the woman for the man.

Woman to have POWER on her head

• 1 Corinthians 11:1-16

- (9) <u>Neither was the man created for the woman;</u> but the woman for the man.
- (10) For this cause ought the woman to have power on her head because of the angels.
- For what cause? The fact that woman was created for the man. Therefore, it is against the will of God for a woman to usurp authority over the man. The Holy Ghost will make us feel uncomfortable when this is allowed, it is out of place, and it is not the will of God.

What is the Covering?

• 1 Corinthians 11:1-16

- (11) Nevertheless neither is the man without the woman, neither the woman without the man, in the Lord.
- (12) For as the woman *is* of the man, even so *is* the man also by the woman; but all things of God.
- (13) Judge in yourselves: is it comely that a woman pray unto God uncovered?

The definition of the covering

- (14) Doth not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him?
- (15) But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering.

We have no such custom...

• 1 Corinthians 11:16 (KJV)

 (16) But if any man seem to be contentious, we have no such custom, neither the churches of God.

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Now if anyone is inclined to be contentious [*about this*], we have no other practice [*in worship than this*], nor do the churches of God [*in general*].

GNB (Good News Bible)

But if anyone wants to argue about it, all I have to say is that neither we nor the churches of God have any other custom in worship.

Because of the Angels



Ezekiel 28:14

(14) Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

Because of the Angels

Before the marriage to Joseph, the Angel of God appeared and spoke to Mary (so she would know how she became pregnant and that it was of God)

Luke 1:26-31

- (26) And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,
- (27) To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.
- (31) And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.

Joseph heard the Angel – led his family

• Matthew 2:13-15

- (13) And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.
- (14) When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt:
- (15) And was there until the death of Herod: <u>that it might be</u> <u>fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet</u>, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.

Joseph heard the Angel – led his family

Matthew 2:19-21

- (19) But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt,
- (20) Saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life.
- (21) And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel.
- Notice the angel is not speaking to Mary but to her spiritual head of the house, imagine the confusion if Mary fought against Joseph.

Joseph heard the Angel – led his family

Matthew 2:22-23

- (22) But when he heard that Archelaus did reign in Judaea in the room of his father Herod, he was afraid to go thither: notwithstanding, being warned of God in a dream, he turned aside into the parts of Galilee:
- (23) And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.
- Mary followed Joseph's obedience and his OWN decision to go as far as he felt he could even though the angel warned him to go back to Israel, Joseph went to Nazareth (parts of Galilee) and fulfilled the scripture. This should be an example to each wife to allow her husband the ability to make decisions (unless it is outright sin) and don't get in the middle of the voice of the Angel (Pastor) and her husband. Pray about it don't criticize your husband's decisions.

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