

THE WOMAN!

GENESIS 2:18-23

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INTRO: THIS WORLD WOULD BE IN TROUBLE WITHOUT GOOD WOMEN! In fact, I can think of some great women who have influenced me for the good during my time on earth. Of course, my mother and wife have influenced me greatly. But, beyond them I can think of others: Mum Hood, Nana, Sara Etta, Shirley. It has often been said that “BEHIND EVERY GOOD MAN IS A BETTER WOMAN.” In a lot of cases that is true. But **WOMEN HAVE A GREAT PART TO PLAY IN SOCIETY AS WELL AS IN THE CHURCH. TRULY, GOD HAS CREATED WOMEN WITH A PURPOSE.** On the “MOTHERS DAY,” let’s see what God has to tell us about THE WOMAN from the WORD OF GOD!

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MEANING OF THE WORD “WOMAN.” (GENESIS 2:23)

According to Genesis 2:23, the word “WOMAN” means, “OUT OF MAN.”

The “ETEMOLOGY” or, the study of the word “WOMAN,” indicates that it means “SOFT.” Therefore, BY CREATION, THE WOMAN HAS CERTAIN UNIQUE QUALITIES THAT SETS HER OFF FROM THE MAN:

- 1) It means that THE WOMAN balances off the physical hardness of man.
- 2) It means that THE WOMAN is “kinder” than man.
- 3) It means that THE WOMAN is “more emotionally responsive” than man.
- 4) It means that THE WOMAN is “more mercifully” than man.

CONTRARY TO MODERN CONTEMPORARY THOUGHT, THE WOMAN AND THE MAN ARE NOT TO BE “UNISEX.”

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I. THE WOMAN AND CREATION

A. The Woman’s Position in Creation – Genesis 1:27, 2:18-23; 1 Tim. 2:13

-Adam was first formed and then Eve. She was God’s second human being in the process of creation. It is by her position in creation that the woman is to operate under the authority of the man – 1 Corinthians 11:2.

B. The Woman’s Purposes in Creation – Genesis 2:18 (“Help-meet).

-God created WOMAN to COMPLETE the MAN!

C. The Woman’s Problem in Creation – Genesis 3:6; 1 Timothy 2:14

-The woman was deceived into sin in the Garden of Eden.

ILLUSTRATION:

II. THE WOMAN AND THE HOME

A. The Woman’s Loyalty – Ephesians 5:22-24

-If married, she is to be loyal to her “own” husband.

B. The Woman’s Labor – Proverbs 31:10-31

-Though a number of things are mentioned in this chapter regarding THE WOMAN’S labor, verse 13b summarizes it all up – **“SHE WILLINGLY WORKETH WITH HER HANDS.”**

C. The Woman’s Lifestyle – Titus 2:3-5

-12 basic aspects of living

1. She is to be HOLY – Vs. 3a (Respect God)
2. She is NOT to be a FALSE ACCUSER – Vs. 3b (Devilish)
3. She is NOT to use WINE – Vs. 3c (Wine user)
4. She is to TEACH GOOD THINGS – Vs 3d (Things that please God)
5. She is to be SOBER – Vs.4a – (Righteous in thought)
6. She is to LOVE HER HUSBAND – Vs.4a (Committed to him)
7. She is to LOVE HER CHILDREN – Vs.4b (Committed to them)
8. She is to be DISCREET – Vs. 5a (Morally pure)
9. She is to be CHASTE – Vs. 5b (Free from fault)
10. She is to be KEEPERS AT HOME – Vs. 5c (Godly excellence)
11. She is to be GOOD – Vs. 5d (Please God)
12. She is to OBEY HER HUSBAND – Vs. 5c (Submit to leadership)

WHY? THAT THE WORD OF GOD BE NOT BLASPHEMED!

ILLUSTRATION:

III. THE WOMAN AND THE CHURCH

- A. The Woman's Mannerisms in the Church – 1 Timothy 3:11
(Taken from the qualifications of a Deacons Wife in relation to church life)
 1. She is to be GRAVE – (Serious with God)
 2. She NOT TO BE A SLANDERER – (Given to Satan)
 3. She is to be SOBER – (Righteous in thought)
 4. She is to be FAITHFUL – (Absolutely trustworthy)
- B. The Woman's Ministry in the Church
 1. Provide teaching under man's authority in the church – Titus 2:3,5
 2. Provide material needs in the church – Acts 16:15
 3. Provide general services to the church – Romans 16:1

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IV. THE WOMAN AND ETERNITY

- A. A Choice for Eternal Judgment in Hell – Revelation 20:15
- B. A Choice for Eternal Joy in Heaven – Revelation 21:4

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CONCLUSION: PROVERBS 31:30

“FAVOUR IS DECEITFUL, AND BEAUTY IS VAIN: BUT A WOMAN THAT FEARETH THE LORD, SHE SHALL BE PRAISED.”

LADIES: WHAT KIND OF A WOMAN ARE YOU?

- 1) BE CERTAIN OF YOUR SALVATION FROM GOD!
- 2) BE CERTAIN OF YOUR SERVICE TO GOD!