

Our Responsibilities In Worship

Not long ago I had an article about a woman preacher. This needs to be revisited. The first article has a woman from a denomination preaching and then saying something about our worship. The denominations have had women in leadership roles for quite a while now. God has stated specifically what He wants in our worship. All we have to do is read what the Bible says and then implement that into our lives. Now we are having the same within the church.

Facebook shows an interview with a young lady, who is an intern, going to a church in Nashville and preaching. She is graduating from one of our "Christian Universities" and I am guessing must have an internship with someone to be able to get the credits to graduate. If this is the case then there is some woeful teaching at our colleges. The Bible is plain on this subject.

Women are to teach. The Bible is plain on that subject. The Bible states that explicitly and by example. "The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not sales accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things; that they may teach the young women to be sober to love their husbands, to love their children, to be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed" (Titus 2:3-5). That is the Bible teaching that women are to teach. Timothy was taught by his mother and grandmother (2 Timothy 1:5 and 3:15). "And the next day we that were of Paul's company departed, and came unto Caesarea: and we entered into the house of Philip the evangelist, which was one of the seven; and abode with him. The same man had four daughters, virgins, which did prophecy" (Acts 21:8-9). "And he (Apollos) began to speak badly in the synagogue: whom when Aquila and Priscilla had heard, they took him unto them, and expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly" Acts 18:26).

There is more! "In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with braided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array; but (which becometh women professing deadlines) with good works. Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection. But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence. For Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in transgression" (1 Timothy 2:9-14). Now God is placing limits on when a woman can teach. None of the passages in the above paragraph is setting this passage aside. A woman can teach, and did teach but never did she usurp authority over a man.

Some want to say that this is culture. No, this has nothing to do with culture. This has everything to do with the time when Eve sinned and she gave to her husband and he sinned. All the way back to the beginning of time. There was not culture at that time, so this subject of who is in subjection is from the beginning of time.

This is not a case of inferiority either! To say that is to say that Christ is inferior to God. The Bible does not teach that! "But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God" (1 Corinthians 11:3). Christ is equal to God. "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God" (Philippians 2:5-6). "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God" (John 1:1). Christ is equal with God, but He submitted Himself to the will of God in order to save mankind. Women are not inferior to man, but God has placed the man over the woman. The reason for this is because who broke God's law in the beginning of time.

The woman in the interview may have talent to communicate God's message. She needs to do that, but within the realm of what God has said. When we start setting aside what God said, we are going to be in a lot of trouble! Read about those who have tried to do that in the Bible. Here are a few: Nadab and Abihu the sons of Aaron (Leviticus 10:1-3): King Saul when he offered sacrifices (1 Samuel 13:5-13): Ananias with Sapphira his wife (Acts 5:1-11). "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast our devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity" (Matthew 7:21-23). Let us never set aside the Will of God for our own selfish will. Love, Keith

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Lord's Supper

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