# The Role of Women

In America, God's way women would not be treated equally with men, because they are not equal with men. Moreover, in America, God's way women would be required to be subservient to men (Of course, nobody should serve unrighteous men). Subservience would be required of women because God made them that way. God made women for men, to be subservient to them. Just as in military service enlisted men are subservient to commissioned officers, so also women in America, God's way would be subservient to men.

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## God made us unequal

#### **Unequal Partners**

At the beginning of the world after God had created all of the fish, the birds, and the beasts of the earth, God said,

And God said, Let us make man in our image—after our likeness—and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the heavens, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth. And God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him, male and female he created them (Genesis 1:26-27).

Thus, mankind was created to rule over all other creatures. However, the Bible also teaches that men and women were not created at the same time. In the beginning, Adam was the only human being. He was the first one on earth made in God's image. But God never intended for him to be alone, and so he prepared to give Adam a help meet. He first let Adam try all of the animals.

Here is what happened: "And the man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the heavens, and to every beast of the field, but for man there was not found a help meet for him" (Genesis 2:20). Many people have animal companions whom we call pets, but no animal pet can ever be a help meet for a man. But why did not God simply create another man to fulfill that role? (I thank God he didn't!)

God certainly has the power to create beings with a bisexual nature, all of whom can bear offspring. And indeed, there are strange creatures like that. But, no! In the wisdom of God, the mate Adam needed was not somebody his equal—another man—but rather somebody like him, a help meet for him; somebody who would not only be a companion for him, but who would be subject to him and who would serve him. And so the Bible says:

And the rib, which Jehovah God had taken from the man, he made a woman, and brought her to the man. And the man said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh. She shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother, and shall cling to his wife, and the two shall be one flesh (Genesis 2:22-24).

And later God commanded Eve, saying, "... thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee" (Genesis 3:16). Some say that Eve was made equal with Adam before she sinned. Paul says otherwise: "For also man was not created for the woman, but woman for the man" (1 Corinthians 11:9).

Just as mankind was given authority over all other creatures, so man was given authority over woman. Now, ranks of authority are absolutely necessary in any system. Equal rights for all creates anarchy. What happens when children are given the freedom and privileges of adults? They go wild. And look at the chaos of the modern family.

Get away from the fantasy world of movies and TV, and look at the real world. Peace, order, prosperity, all demand obedience to authority. Consider the important job of a woman teaching young children in schools. How much better things would be if her students held her in honor, obeyed her, and addressed her with respect. Would she not love them more and work harder to help them?

The military service does not worship the idol of equal-rights; doing so would be suicidal. Officers demand respect and obedience from the men under their command. There is none of this nonsense about having to earn respect and obedience. Each rank demands obedience from those below it. The system works well only when everybody keeps his place (with, of course, the essential virtues of mutual love and loyalty), and look how well it has worked.

Equality in the military would destroy its effectiveness as fast as mutual hatred would. For this reason insubordination is never tolerated. The fact is, insubordination will destroy any organization, including families, as is happening in pagan America.

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The supreme authority is, of course, God, the creator of all things. He alone has the power and the wisdom to coordinate everything together so that it all works constructively in harmony and unison. In his heavenly world, where his will is obeyed, that is how things work. However, this world, which has been given over temporarily to his enemies, is full of chaos. Rebellion against him and his structure of authority (sin) always leads eventually to destruction and death.

# Unequal Authority

How do men and women fit into God's structure of authority? Consider these words of Paul: "**But I want you to know that the head of every man is the Christ, and the head of a woman is the man, and the head of Christ is God**" (1 Corinthians 11:3). Notice the Biblical rank of authority in this scripture: First, God the Father, then Christ, then man, then woman. (Of course, other scriptures show that children rank below women, and animals rank below all humans.)

Notice that God the Father is head of God the Son. It is noteworthy that, unlike most American women today, Jesus never resented being subordinate to his head. Christ ranks below the Father, but he is head of every man. Finally, the man is head of the woman. Some compromising Christians are even elevating men to near equality with Christ in order to justify women's equality with men. Paul went on to say, **"For a man ... [is] ... an image and glory of God, but woman is a glory of man. For man is not from woman, but woman from man. For also man was not created for the woman, but woman for the man"** (1 Corinthians 11:7-9).

Man reflects the glory of God. Man is masculine, made in the Father's image, with, for example, the power of creativity. Consider how man has improved the world (although, of course, not perfectly). Compare civilization with the savage and stagnant existence of the animal world. Woman, on the other hand, reflects the glory of man, having been made from him.

Notice how Paul contrasted the glory of man with the lesser glory of woman. Man was created to serve God. Woman was created to serve man. Just as man's service to God is through Christ, woman's service to God is through man. And so God commanded women to submit to the rule of men (unless, of course, a woman is ordered to disobey God).

It is beyond dispute that the person who rules has superiority over the one being ruled. In fact people often refer to the person they serve as their "superior." In the military they speak of superior officers who have a higher rank with greater authority. Hence, it is the will of God for women to rank below men, and to be subordinate to them. But this adulterous and rebellious generation of women hates the very thought of being subordinate.

## Unequal Strength

God created men larger than women, and with more powerful muscles. This is appropriate for his role. God created woman with a special body, weaker than man's, which is more appropriate for her role. A woman's skin is softer and more tender than the skin of men. Their bodies are more frail and delicate. The shapes of many other parts of their bodies make them weaker than men's.

In keeping with God's role for woman, he designed and created their bodies to bear and to rear children. Her wider hips enable her to more easily bring new souls into the world, and her enlarged breasts were created to help nurture them. Her tender skin and delicate nature serve not only to keep her subservient to, and dependent upon men, but it is also better designed to accommodate the tender and delicate nature of children.

For not only did God command women to be subordinate to men, but he gave them another special role: to bear and to rear children. Paul told Timothy: **"But she** [womankind] **will be saved through childbearing, if they continue in faith and love and sanctification with sobriety"** (1 Timothy 2:15). Indeed, there are few more important duties on earth than the very demanding job of rearing righteous children. And God has given this commission to womankind (not that every woman must herself be a mother). In fact, notice Paul said that God considers this duty so vital that their very salvation depends upon it.

Whenever women engage in any dangerous and stressful task, to be effective they need to be accompanied by the support of men. Have you ever seen an all women group engaged in such a task? But men need no such support from women. Remember, Peter pointed out the fact that women are **"a weaker vessel"** (1 Peter 3:7).

Nevertheless, feminists are doing all they can to gloss over that obvious fact. Their success shows the power of deception. The feminist movement has gained equal rights for women in virtually all occupations, including strenuous and dangerous ones such as policemen, firemen, and the armed forces (yet always accompanied by the support of men). Their presence is a caricature to those with open eyes.

Of course, feminists cannot deny women's physical weakness. Still, they demand the right to be an equal part of all groups; yet with special treatment, such as reduced requirements to accommodate their weaknesses. They seem blind to the absurdity of their reasoning: they demand unequal treatment in order to promote equality.

A blatant example of their hypocrisy is within the world of sports. In this realm they are completely silent about equal rights. Why do they not demand that women compete equally with men in sports? Forced by political pressure, our military now has women fighter pilots. But why have they not forced professional football teams to have women players? Is this not an example of so-called "sexism" and discrimination against women? Why not abolish sexual segregation in the Olympic games? Let women compete equally against men in all contests. No, it will never happen because they cannot compete successfully. Even the most rabid feminist has kept silent about this form of "sexism" because it would highlight the fact of men's physical superiority.

### Unequal Courage

Women are less able to face danger. They are more inclined to wilt under fire. The Bible itself confirms this truth. Isaiah said, "In that day the Egyptians shall be like women, and they shall tremble and fear because of the shaking of the hand of Jehovah of hosts, which he shakes over them" (Isaiah 19:16). And Jeremiah said, "The mighty men of Babylon have ceased fighting; they remain in their strongholds. Their

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**might has failed. They have become as women**" (Jeremiah 51:30). What does the Bible say it means to become like a woman in real combat? It means to tremble with fear, to cease fighting, and to hide in weakness.

Both of those great prophets of God, inspired by the Holy Spirit, clearly indicate that being overcome with fear is a feminine quality. Women are naturally less capable than men in facing danger. Women soldiers are a grotesque hoax. They are totally unfit both physically and emotionally for mortal combat. If they are ever put to a real test against male enemies in a fierce and deadly battle they will melt like butter in a hot oven. Their very existence within our armed forces is like using cardboard two-by-fours when building a house. Include too many and see what happens when the winds blow and the floods rise. And such times always come.

I have heard false-teachers charge the apostles with cowardice for trying to remain concealed during the time that Jesus was tried and crucified. The women, they say, were more open and courageous. That is a cruel and unfair charge because the women were never in any danger. The authorities knew they had nothing to fear from the women, and so they left them alone. The men, on the other hand, were in mortal danger, as later events would prove. It takes no courage to walk openly when there is no danger.

#### Etceteras

Women are more vulnerable to deception; they are more easily deceived. Paul pointed this out when he was giving reasons why women were to be subordinate. He said, **"And Adam was not deceived, but the woman, having been deceived, became in transgression"** (1 Timothy 2:14). But people do not need the Bible to tell them that. It is common folk knowledge that women are more naive and gullible than men are. They are much more vulnerable to being cheated and defrauded. Every woman has had to face liars and cheats who consider her to be easier prey, and most women are.

There are other ways that the glory of women is less than the glory of men. They are less able to control their emotions; they are less assertive than men are; women are less skilled at making good judgments and wise decisions. (Intelligence tests cannot reveal this because in order to conform to prevailing ideology such tests are deliberately constructed to produce equal averages.) For all these reasons women need fathers and husbands to protect and oversee them. See what the law of Moses says about making vows for additional evidence of this truth.

What country exists where women as a whole dominate men? There is not a single one. In every case the male population dominates the female population. This worldwide dominance of men over women is based upon natural causes—the many ways in which men were created superior to women. This fact of nature is not based merely upon the physical superiority of men, because in every country the most dominant men are almost always physically weaker than those men whom they dominate. This is true not only in government but also in the military, business and industry, sports (coaches versus athletes), and virtually every other realm. But with women, their weaker physical nature only reinforces their unfitness for dominance. God has created women naturally less able than men so that it is natural for men to rule over them, as he has commanded to be done.

#### The Value of Woman's Subservience

#### Strength in their obedience

One reason God made men and women different the way he has is because of the strength of specialization. And specialization of function necessarily means that some parts of a system are going to be more powerful and dominating than other parts. But that is not to say that the weaker parts are defective; they are only defective when they fail their assigned function.

Paul spoke of the necessity of specialization when he was comparing stronger and weaker parts in the Church. His words are fitting for any organization:

But now God has placed the parts, each one of them, in the body just as he intended. And if they were all one part, where would be the body? But now of course there are many body-parts, but one body. And the eye cannot say to the hand, I have no need of thee, nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you. Instead, much more the parts of the body that seem to be more feeble are necessary.

And those things of the body presumed to be without esteem, we place around these more abundant worth. And our unpresentable parts have more abundant propriety, whereas our presentable parts have no need. Instead, God united the body together, having given more abundant worth to the part that lacks, so that there would be no schisms in the body, but that the parts would have the same care for each other. And if one part suffers, all the parts suffer together, or one part is honored, all the parts rejoice together (1 Corinthians 12:18-26).

Earlier in the same letter Paul said, "Nevertheless, neither is man independent of woman, nor woman independent of man, in Lord. For just as the woman is from the man, so also the man is through the woman. But all things are from God" (1 Corinthians 11:11-12). Even though the woman is the weaker vessel, nevertheless, both men and women depend upon each other. Indeed, when they work together as a team, each performing their proper function, they build each another up, just as do the working parts of a body.

Giving women equal rights with men drags them both down to a more primitive level. It is like using both arms and legs to walk with. It can be done, but O how unnatural and ridiculous! Arms are different from legs. And the body functions best when each part performs its designed role. Women are different from men. And society functions best when each sex performs its God-given role. In marriage, when a woman keeps her subservient role, acting as a proper helpmate for her husband (her head), it makes him stronger, which, in turn makes her stronger. Indeed, any unified system composed of specialized parts working together in harmony has far more capability than the sum of its parts. When women in a society pursue their God-given role as wives and mothers and general helpmates for men, it strengthens that society, which, in turn strengthens them. Women in America used to live that way, And they were properly praised and honored through the success of their husbands and children, because a man's success depends much upon the past efforts of his mother, and the current efforts of his wife.

But alas, the pride and rebellion of modern American women have spoiled their inner beauty. And so, what else can we expect but failing marriages and increasing homosexuality. A country, like individuals, reaps what it sows (see Galatians 6:7). In the wisdom of God the very weakness and inequality of women makes them more beautiful and attractive to men. Real men are captivated by feminine women, and repulsed by aggressive feminists. Indeed, a survey reported that over onethird of American men now love their cars more than their women.

When Peter was instructing women, he said: "Likewise the wives, being subordinate to their own husbands, so that even if any are disobedient to the word, they will be gained without a word by the behavior of the wives, observing, in fear, your pure behavior" (1 Peter 3:1-2). And with regard to women's outward appearance, Peter added: "... but the hidden man of the heart, in the incorruptible, of the meek and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of God" (1 Peter 3:4). A woman may have a body diseased or deformed. But she is very beautiful before God if she has the imperishable quality of a gentle and quiet spirit, living in subjection to her husband with chaste behavior coupled with fear.

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### Developing the next generation

Although women are inferior to men in the general sense, they alone are capable of bearing children. Moreover, they are definitely superior to men in the very demanding task of rearing children. God has given women many talents to meet the challenges of child rearing, but those talents can be used instead to do the work of men.

Indeed, one of the arguments of those who demand equality with men is that woman are very capable of doing many things that men do. What they fail to realize is that when women do the work of men, those women are depriving the children of the benefits of those talents.

And saying it takes no talent to rear children is like saying it takes no talent to build a house, as if there were no differences in houses. Done right it takes the full talents of a mother to rear her children. Because being a good mother involves developing the minds and talents of her children as well as nurturing their bodies. And that is a very demanding occupation. In fact, that is one reason why many modern women choose to forsake motherhood.

God has given womankind the duty of bearing and rearing children so that the children can develop into wise and righteous adults for the next generation. And that can only be done when women, not only serve their husbands, but spend their time and talents working in their own homes to develop their children. Otherwise, regardless of how successful a woman may be in competing with men, she is a failure in her God assigned role, cheating her children (real or potential) by depriving them of her time and talents.

Gathering children into collectives to be reared en masse by hired hands is depriving children of the great superiority of having their minds developed personally by their own mothers. Therefore, in America, God's way our government (guided by the word of God) would do all it can to encourage and assist mothers in that role. That would be especially important for their children until the time of puberty. Then later, schools (segregated by gender) could be used to further their education.

# **Those Inevitable Exceptions**

Regarding exceptions, yes, everybody knows there are some women who are stronger and/or more intelligent than some men. Nevertheless, God's role for men and women is based upon their gender, not upon their abilities. And God has commanded women to be subservient to men simply because they are women. Women were created to be a subservient class regardless of their individual talents.

In spite of much deceitful propaganda to the contrary, class distinctions are absolutely necessary in any complex social system. If a man is an officer in the Army he has superior rank over enlisted men simply because he is a member of the officer class. If a man is a member of management in a company he has superior rank over non-management employees simply because he is a manager. If a man is a member of the U.S. Congress he has superior rank over ordinary citizens because he is a member of that social class. If you think otherwise, try opposing any of these leadership classes. Of course, how an individual becomes a member of a higher ranking group varies widely. How to become a military officer differs from how to become a company manager. And both differ from how to become a Congressman. Such things as ability, financial assets, influential relationships, personal effort, all contribute to enabling somebody to become a member of a certain class. In some companies and in some countries class membership depends upon family relationships; that is, class membership is restricted to blood lines.

In the wisdom of God, membership in the masculine class is determined and fixed from conception.<sup>1</sup> If you think this is unfair, just trust God, and he will never disappoint you in the end. The time is coming when he will glorify us all, both men and women, who accept what cannot or should not be changed in this life. For there will be no gender differences in Heaven.

And yes, there have been times in the history of a society when men sink so low spiritually that God will elevate some women over them, to humiliate them. An example of this in the Bible is the story of Deborah and Barak (see Judges 4:4-9). Deborah was a prophetess who judged Israel during one of their times of spiritual backsliding. Because of their sinfulness the people were being oppressed by Jabin, king of Canaan. But the sons of Israel cried to Jehovah, and in response he told Deborah to send Barak to defeat Jabin. Barak refused to go without Deborah. His unmanly dependence upon her caused God to give the honor he would have received to a common woman, Jael the wife of Heber the Kenite.

In Bible times being defeated by a woman was considered to be a great humiliation, as can be seen in the example of Abimelech: "And a certain woman cast an upper millstone upon Abimelech's head, and broke his skull. Then he called hastily to the young man his armor bearer, and said to him, Draw thy sword, and kill me, that men not say of me, A woman killed him. And his young man thrust him through, and he died" (Judges 9:53-54).

When women become elevated over men it is a sign of God's punishment against them. Consider these words of Jeremiah: **"Turn again, O virgin of Israel, turn again to these thy cities. How long will thou go here and there, O thou backsliding daughter? For Jehovah has created a new thing in the earth: a woman shall encompass a man" (Jeremiah 31:21-22). Consider also these words of Isaiah: <b>"As for my people, children are their oppressors, and women rule over them. O my people, those who lead thee cause thee to err, and destroy the way of thy paths"** (Isaiah 3:12).

<sup>1.</sup> In this corrupt world everything is vulnerable to aberration. Through no fault of parents or child, there are very rare cases of individuals born whose body develops into sexual confusion; males who look like females, etc. To let rare aberrations negate rules invites chaos.

These prophecies also apply to this faithless generation of Americans: Women now protect men. And children indeed oppress us, in the homes, in the schools, and in the streets. And many women rule over us—women court judges, women generals, women police, women congressmen, women governors, women mayors, women school principals and superintendents, women foremen, women supervisors, women chairmen. And our leaders (even in our Christian institutions) are forcing this upon the population, thus misleading the people and confusing the way of their paths.

Consequently, the people are stumbling and the nation is spiritually declining. It is a curse from God. He is punishing the men of this adulterous generation. But how can we as Christians be the leaven of the world if we worship the idols of the world, and think and act the same way they do? We have been sanctified by God—set apart to think and act in his enlightened and exalted ways.

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"For this way formerly also, the holy women, trusting in God, adorned themselves, being subordinate to their own husbands, as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord, whose children ye became, doing good, and not being afraid of anything fearful.

"Likewise the husbands living together knowledgeably, as with a weaker vessel, apportioning worth to the female as also joint-heirs of the grace of life, for your prayers not to be hindered" (First Peter 3:1-7).