C & C: Man Held Hostage by Woman's Long Uncut Hair

Connections and Comparisons is an ongoing weekly series that deals with many scriptures in the Bible, some of which are not commonly addressed. The purpose of this series is to examine the scriptures at hand comparing what is said and looking at the connections within.

Subtlety and just like the viper lying in wait to latch onto the heels of man with it's venomous poison, the doctrine of the Divine Order of God is under attack by means of the so called doctrine of the protectors or guardians of God's glory, this being the woman with her long uncut hair. But let the stomping of the serpent begin.

The doctrine of the protectors of God's glory that has been propagated for some time now uses scriptures taken from chapter 11 of 1 Corinthians in regards to the covering of the woman, this being her uncut hair, and then using verses from Ezekiel chapter 28 in regards to the anointed Cherub that covers and asserting that the anointed Cherub that covered was in fact covering or protecting God's glory, but after being cast out of Heaven by God or cut off from God, this covering has been severed leaving God's glory uncovered and in the New Testament era the responsibility of protecting God's glory has been designated by God to the women by means of their uncut hair.

The main verses of scripture used for this erroneous doctrine are 1 Corinthians 11:10, 15 along with Ezekiel 28:14-16 and Isaiah 14:12. Let's read over these scriptures together.

1 Corinthians 11:10

10 For this cause ought the woman to have power on her head because of the angels.

1 Corinthians 11:15

15 But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering.

Ezekiel 28:14-16

- 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.
- 15 Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.

16 By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.

Isaiah 14:12

12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

From these scriptures the doctrine of the protector's or guardians of God's glory teaches that Satan's main responsibility was that of the covering cherub that guarded the glory of God. When

he was cast out, he lost his place of covering God's glory and God has now delegated this responsibility to the woman. For this cause ought the woman to have power on her head because of the angels. But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering.

There are so many outlandish statements made in regards to this doctrine of the protectors or guardians of God's glory that I will not even begin to go through all of them, but I will cover many of them and explain this doctrine in greater detail as we continue through this lesson.

One of the main propagators of this doctrine is a woman known as Ruth Rieder who wrote a book entitled, "Power Before The Throne". The statements and claims within this book are so outrageous and unbiblical that it is an outright heresy that ought to be condemned by the United Pentecostal Church International as well as any and all followers of Christianity.

I have read this book and was so shocked by her statements and erroneous conclusions that I threw it away as the trash that it is. I also inquired of my mother where she had purchased this book and was equally shocked that it had been purchased at one of the UPC's ladies conferences.

The teachings in this book are totally against the Divine order of God and the punishment that was given by God to the woman in the Garden of Eden. This book ought to be condemned openly by the UPCi organization as heresy because it promotes rebellion in the Divine order given to us by God through his Apostle Paul and also goes against the punishment given by God to the woman in the Garden of Eden.

1 Corinthians 11:3

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.

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.
- 13 For Adam was first formed, then Eve.
- 14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression.

2 Corinthians 11:3

But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

1 Peter 3:7

7 Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.

When this scripture speaks of the woman being the weaker vessel it is speaking of both spiritually as well as naturally. This should not promote hate in you against me for speaking to you the Word of God.

In the book of Ester we read of Queen Vashti who rebelled against her husband in open defiance by not presenting herself before him when he called for her. Then came forth wise counsel from Memucan one of the seven princes of Persia and Media.

Esther 1:15-21

- 15 What shall we do unto the queen Vashti according to law, because she hath not performed the commandment of the king Ahasuerus by the chamberlains?
- 16 And Memucan answered before the king and the princes, Vashti the queen hath not done wrong to the king only, but also to all the princes, and to all the people that are in all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus.
- 17 For this deed of the queen shall come abroad unto all women, so that they shall despise their husbands in their eyes, when it shall be reported, The king Ahasuerus commanded Vashti the queen to be brought in before him, but she came not.
- 18 Likewise shall the ladies of Persia and Media say this day unto all the king's princes, which have heard of the deed of the queen. Thus shall there arise too much contempt and wrath.
- 19 If it please the king, let there go a royal commandment from him, and let it be written among the laws of the Persians and the Medes, that it be not altered, That Vashti come no more before king Ahasuerus; and let the king give her royal estate unto another that is better than she.
- 20 And when the king's decree which he shall make shall be published throughout all his empire, (for it is great,) all the wives shall give to their husbands honour, both to great and small.
- 21 And the saying pleased the king and the princes; and the king did according to the word of Memucan:

Just as Vashti could spread rebellion through the entire kingdom by her open defiance and rebellion toward her husband so too can one person spread forth this doctrine of the woman being the protectors or guardians of God's glory which is completely against the Doctrine of the divine order of God. A little leaven leavens the whole loaf.

This doctrine of women's uncut hair being the protector or guardian of God's glory could never have been birthed if a person followed the context and explanations given by the Apostle Paul in 1 Corinthians chapter 11. So it is here that we must first stomp upon the serpent.

1 Corinthians 11:1-15

- 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.

Notice the Apostle Paul commends the church of Corinth for keeping the ordinances that he has delivered to them. He then continues and brings forth another ordinance.

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.

Here we are told the Divine order of God. The head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God.

4 Every man praying or prophesying, having his head covered, dishonoureth his head.

Who is man's head? Christ right? So every man praying or prophesying, having his head covered, is dishonoring his head. What is the covering? Is it a veil or is it hair? This answer is found in verses fourteen and fifteen that the topic is hair.

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.

Who is woman's head? The man right? 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. So every woman that prays or prophecies with her head uncovered dishonors her head. So she would be dishonoring the man and this would be even as one that is 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.

It is this verse that we can determine that the Apostle Paul is speaking of a woman not cutting her hair. 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. It is the key words shorn or shaven that you can conclude that the Apostle Paul is speaking of uncut hair. All one has to do to verify this is look at a strong's concordance or look up the definitions of these two words.

Now listen very carefully to verse seven as this completely nullifies the doctrine of the women being the protectors or guardians of God's glory.

7 For a man indeed ought not to cover his head, {why} forasmuch as he is the image and glory of God: but the woman is the glory of the man.

It is man that is the image and glory of God and for this reason ought not to cover his head. This is speaking of the divine order of God. Man is made in the image and glory of God. The image and glory of God is the man Christ Jesus of whom man is made in the image of. The woman however is also made in the image of God but is the glory of the man and thus she ought to be covered as this is the sign of her subordination to her head.

- 8 For the man is not of the woman; but the woman of the man.
- 9 Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man.

Again the Apostle Paul is explaining the divine order of God and telling you why man ought not to cover his head while the woman on the other hand ought to. That being that the woman is the glory of the man and man is the image and glory of God and since woman was created for the man and she was also in the transgression in the Garden of Eden her desire shall be to her husband, and he shall rule over you. (Genesis 3:16)

10 For this cause {what cause? For the reason that the woman is the glory of the man, and was created for the man} ought the woman to have power on her head {another words a sign of the

man's authority on her head} because of the angels. {Of which can easily tell whether or not the woman is under submission to her head, that being the man, or whether or not she is in rebellion against the divine order of God}

- 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?
- 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.

Several points here on verse fifteen. First the covering is hair and from verse six we learned it is speaking of uncut hair. This verse also says if a woman has long hair, it is a glory to her. Why? Because she is the glory of the man as was spoken in verse seven and her hair is given her for a covering for that reason. Just as the man is not to cover his head because he is the image and glory of God as was stated in the same verse that being verse seven. No where in this chapter or the Bible does it speak of the woman being the protectors or guardians of God's glory.

With this being said out of necessity of those that believe or teach this doctrine of women being the protectors or guardians of God's glory I will continue on.

In Ezekiel chapter 28:12 we read of a prophecy to the King of Tyrus. It is in this prophecy against the King of Tyrus that we read at verses 14-16.

Ezekekiel 28:14-16

- 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.
- 15 Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.
- 16 By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.

It is within these verses spoken to the King of Tyrus that those that propagate the doctrine that the woman's uncut hair is now the covering of God's glory refer to, claiming that here we see that Satan was the covering of God's glory but was cast out or cut off from this position of authority. This is an extremely absurd leap of faith to conclude from this passage of scriptures that God has now delegated the covering of his glory to that of the woman's uncut hair.

Most scholars do not even believe that this has anything to do with the fall of Satan as this is speaking of the King of Tyrus. They believe that the use of the Garden of Eden and Cherub in these scriptures is speaking of the likeness of Adam being in the garden of Eden and the fall thereof. I personally believe that this is speaking of Satan being the anointed Cherub that covers. But we are not told what it is that he is covering. The conclusion that it is the glory of God that is being covered is drawn upon from other verses of scriptures such as:

Exodus 25:18-22

- 18 And thou shalt make two cherubims of gold, of beaten work shalt thou make them, in the two ends of the mercy seat.
- 19 And make one cherub on the one end, and the other cherub on the other end: even of the mercy seat shall ye make the cherubims on the two ends thereof.
- 20 And the cherubims shall stretch forth their wings on high, covering the mercy seat with their wings, and their faces shall look one to another; toward the mercy seat shall the faces of the cherubims be.
- 21 And thou shalt put the mercy seat above upon the ark; and in the ark thou shalt put the testimony that I shall give thee.
- 22 And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubims which are upon the ark of the testimony, of all things which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel.

Hebrews 9:5

5 And over it the cherubims of glory shadowing the mercyseat; of which we cannot now speak particularly.

Psalms 80:1

1 Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a flock; thou that dwellest between the cherubims, shine forth.

Isaiah 37:16

16 O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, that dwellest between the cherubims, thou art the God, even thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth: thou hast made heaven and earth.

However, take notice that the Cherubim of glory shadowing the mercyseat are the one's that are covering the place where God said, And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubims which are upon the ark of the testimony. So even if the anointed Cherub that covered was Satan that was being spoken of in Ezekiel 28 other Cherubim were also capable of overshadowing the glory of God as Satan had already rebelled against God.

So how in the world do those that teach the doctrine that women are now the protectors or guardians of God's glory jump from the Cherubim seen in the vicinity of the glory of God to it's now been delegated to the woman who has uncut hair? The thought is that since the mercy seat was within the holiest of holies and the veil was tore in two upon the death of Jesus Christ that this transferred the position of protecting God's glory to the woman based off of these two scriptures:

1 Corinthians 11:10 and 11:15 which read:

- 10 For this cause ought the woman to have power on her head because of the angels.
- 15 But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering.

Wow!! These verses speak nothing of God's glory and we have already covered this chapter of Corinthians above. This is also to ignore that the tabernacle was to serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things.

Exodus 25:8-9

- 8 And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them.
- 9 According to all that I shew thee, after the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of all the instruments thereof, even so shall ye make it.

Hebrews 8:1-5

- 1 Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens;
- 2 A minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man.
- 3 For every high priest is ordained to offer gifts and sacrifices: wherefore it is of necessity that this man have somewhat also to offer.
- 4 For if he were on earth, he should not be a priest, seeing that there are priests that offer gifts according to the law:
- 5 Who serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, saith he, that thou make all things according to the pattern shewed to thee in the mount.

However, when the veil of the temple was torn in two the purpose of this according to scripture is found in Ephesians and Hebrews which read:

Ephesians 2:13-17

- 13 But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.
- 14 For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;
- 15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;
- 16 And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby:
- 17 And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh.

Hebrews 10:19-20

- 19 Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,
- 20 By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh;

The proponents of those that propagate the teaching that woman is the protector or guardian of God's glory also uses Isaiah 14:12 to support their teaching as well.

Isaiah 14:12

12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

The doctrine of women being the protectors or guardians of God's glory will try to connect this verse of scripture with Ezekiel 28:14-16 which was just discussed above, stating that here Lucifer is cut down to the ground and this weakened the nations. They will then try to make a parallel of this to 1 Corinthians 11 by stating that when the fall of Lucifer took place the covering of God's glory was severed and cut down and this weakened the nations in like manner when a woman cuts her hair she too severs the glory of God from herself and weakens her family. This is also tied into women being the guardians of the home found in Titus 2:5 of which we will speak of in a moment.

There are a couple of points to make here first concerning Isaiah 14:12. First of all this verse is taken completely out of context as it is a futuristic event as identified when you read more of the scriptures surrounding it. Hear it!

Isaiah 14:5-15

- 5 The LORD hath broken the staff of the wicked, and the sceptre of the rulers.
- 6 He who smote the people in wrath with a continual stroke, he that ruled the nations in anger, is persecuted, and none hindereth.
- 7 The whole earth is at rest, and is quiet: they break forth into singing.
- 8 Yea, the fir trees rejoice at thee, and the cedars of Lebanon, saying, Since thou art laid down, no feller is come up against us.
- 9 Hell from beneath is moved for thee to meet thee at thy coming: it stirreth up the dead for thee, even all the chief ones of the earth; it hath raised up from their thrones all the kings of the nations.
- 10 All they shall speak and say unto thee, Art thou also become weak as we? art thou become like unto us?
- 11 Thy pomp is brought down to the grave, and the noise of thy viols: the worm is spread under thee, and the worms cover thee.
- 12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!
- 13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:
- 14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.
- 15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

As you can see this is a futuristic event yet to take place and does not parallel in any way to Ezekiel 28:14-16.

This leads to another portion of this doctrine that is also taught along side of women being the protectors or guardians of the glory of God, this being that the woman is also the guardian of their home. This is found in Titus 2:5. They expound on the statement concerning women are to be the keepers at home stating that this means much more than just keeping the house clean but rather they are the guardians of the home. I even heard this taught in one of the major UPC conferences known as the Because of the Times conference. Again I was in shock as this was taught to many great preachers and their wives and no one stopped it. Furthermore it was included with all the other lessons in the purchased package instead of withheld as it was

completely in error and again is attacking the divine order of God as man is the head of woman and the head of the home.

Titus 2:3-5

- 3 The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;
- 4 That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,
- 5 To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.

Notice carefully the statements to teach the young women to love their husbands and to be obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed. Pretty strong statement isn't it!

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.
- 13 {why} For Adam was first formed, then Eve.
- 14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression.

1 Peter 3:1-6

- 1 Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives;
- 2 While they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear.
- 3 Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;
- 4 But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.
- 5 For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands:
- 6 Even as Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement.

Ephesians 5:22-24

- 22 Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.
- 23 For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.
- 24 Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing.

As I continue to stomp upon the serpent I would like to begin to share with you how dangerous and out of control this doctrine of the woman being the protector or guardian of God's glory is.

This incorrect teaching leads to statements like when a woman cuts her hair she severs the glory of God from her life. So does this mean she no longer has the Holy Ghost? You also will hear

statements like the glory of God has appeared to us in the form of women. Yet both male and female are the temple of God if so be that the Holy Ghost dwells within you.

This doctrine ultimately leads to idol worship of the woman's hair. Women going around laying their hair upon the sick to see them recover or women laying their hair on their unsaved husbands while he is sleeping praying for his salvation when scripture clearly states:

1 Peter 3:1-2

- 1 Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives;
- 2 While they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear.

James 5:14

14 Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:

No where in scripture do we see the laying on of the woman's hair for any divine healing or miracle of God but rather the laying on of hands. This doctrine of women being the protectors or guardians of God's glory is like some type of mysticism where the woman's hair is like a talisman warding off the evil spirits instead of the Spirit of Christ within her. Or the sending of strands of hair that have fallen out or have come out of her comb being sent to the sick instead of prayer clothes which is found in scripture.

Instead of using a rosary the woman will be laying her hair over everything for the divine protection of power guaranteed her because of the angels or the offering up of burnt offering of her fallen hair to the Lord in honor of her delegated authority of being the protector or guardian of God's glory through her uncut hair.

The law of the Nazarite which included both men and women upon the fulfilling of the vow as part of their offering to the Lord was that of a burnt offering of hair.

Numbers 6:1-2

- 1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- 2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When either man or woman shall separate themselves to vow a vow of a Nazarite, to separate themselves unto the LORD:

Numbers 6:18

18 And the Nazarite shall shave the head of his separation at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and shall take the hair of the head of his separation, and put it in the fire which is under the sacrifice of the peace offerings.

Hebrews 13:8

8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

The Apostle Paul is giving a new ordinance in the New Testament.

1 Corinthians 11:16

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

This he established from the beginning of the chapter.

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.

After praising them that they had kept the ordinances as he delivered to them he continues with another new ordinance. Before Christ was born of the virgin Mary how could the Apostle Paul say, 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 if Christ had not yet come? For this new ordinance to be given and then explained concerning the hair Jesus Christ had to first come as he is part of the divine order given to us and therefore the Apostle Paul explains that if any man seem to be contentious, we have no such custom, neither the churches of God. This being because Christ is the head of the Church and before he came there wasn't any such custom to refer back to as it was a new ordinance given to the churches of God concerning the divine order of God concerning headship.

What we see here is actually a role reversal of the woman being over the man and the changing of the divine order of God to only being between God and the woman bypassing man and Christ where women are like unto the Amazonian's of God's glory. This doctrine is very much like feminism and various equal rights movements of which the serpent is using to supplant God's divine order by promoting the woman to some erroneous position of authority of being the protector or guardian of God's glory, while 1 Corinthians chapter 11 is teaching that the woman's uncut hair is her glory because she is the glory of the man thus showing her submission and obedience to the man's authority over her by her uncut hair.

Ultimately the serpent is using this doctrine to puff women up by reason of their own beauty found within their uncut hair as the protectors and guardians of God's glory.

Sound familiar?

Ezekiel 28:17

17 Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee.

2 Timothy 4:3-4

- 3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;
- 4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.