

## **God's Chain of Command** (Church Government)

### **Genesis 3:8-13**

8 And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.  
9 And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?  
10 And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.  
11 And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?  
12 And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.  
13 And the LORD God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

Woman, what have you done? Unto the woman-God said thy desire shall be to your husband and he shall rule over you.

### **Genesis 3:16-19**

16 Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.  
17 And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life;  
18 Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field;  
19 In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.

In verses 17- 19, is the sentence of man's punishment----

### **I Corinthians 11:1-9**

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.  
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.  
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.

1. The head of every man is Christ
2. And the head of the woman is the man

### 3. The head of Christ is God.

#### **I Timothy 2:9-14**

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.

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.

I suffer not a woman to teach or usurp authority over the man.

\*Men we have a responsibility, you (we are responsible in God's eyes for our wives actions. If she gets out of the will of God and slanders her brother or her sister in Christ, you the husband will have to answer to God! If she falls into gossip, back biting, etc. Husbands, you are responsible!

For God said the wife's will is unto her husband and he shall rule over her.

#### **Church Government**

#### **I Timothy 5:1-7**

1 Rebuke not an elder, but entreat him as a father; and the younger men as brethren;

2 The elder women as mothers; the younger as sisters, with all purity.

3 Honour widows that are widows indeed.

4 But if any widow have children or nephews, let them learn first to show piety at home, and to requite their parents: for that is good and acceptable before God.

5 Now she that is a widow indeed, and desolate, trusteth in God, and continueth in supplications and prayers night and day.

6 But she that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth.

7 And these things give in charge, that they may be blameless.

#### **I Timothy 5:9-14**

9 Let not a widow be taken into the number under threescore years old, having been the wife of one man,

10 Well reported of for good works; if she have brought up children, if she have lodged strangers, if she have washed the saints' feet, if she have relieved the afflicted, if she have diligently followed every good work.

11 But the younger widows refuse: for when they have begun to wax wanton against Christ, they will marry;

12 Having damnation, because they have cast off their first faith.

13 And withal they learn to be idle, wandering about from house to house; and not only idle, but tattlers also and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not.

14 I will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, guide the house, give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully.