

Instruction to Women (July 5th)

THE COMMUNITY

Memorize 1 Timothy 1:5 – *“The purpose of my instruction is that all believers would be filled with love that comes from a pure heart, a clear conscience, and genuine faith.”*

1. What was the best fireworks display you ever witnessed?
2. From your time at corporate worship – the people, music, sermon, serving in a ministry – what encouraged, moved, or excited you? What questions came up for you?

THE BIBLE (*Websites - biblegateway.com, blueletterbible.org, biblos.com, ccel.org*)

3. Read 1 Timothy 2:1-15 each day this week. Use the websites above to read it in different versions. What observations do you have? What words or phrases stand out to you?
4. What does culture tell us about the functional order of gender roles? What does God’s word tell us about the functional order of gender roles?

THE APPLICATION

5. Regarding these roles, how has your thinking been influenced more by culture than the Bible? What adjustments would align your thinking more with God’s Word than with culture?

6. What does it mean to be equal in value and worth, yet different in function?

7. What, specifically, makes you uncomfortable with the idea of submission? What does the biblical definition of submission look like?

8. How does functional submission play out in your role as a citizen? As an employee? In your home? In the church?

SERMON NOTES

I Timothy 2:11-15

¹¹ Women should learn quietly and submissively. ¹² I do not let women teach men or have authority over them. Let them listen quietly. ¹³ For God made Adam first, and afterward he made Eve. ¹⁴ And it was not Adam who was deceived by Satan. The woman was deceived, and sin was the result. ¹⁵ But women will be saved through childbearing, assuming they continue to live in faith, love, holiness, and modesty. (NLT)

Presuppositions:

1. **The Bible is** _____.
2. **God models for us** _____.
3. **God has established functional order as an overflow of His** _____ **and in accordance with His** _____.
4. **It takes both sexes (Male and female) to reflect the** _____ **of** _____.

Genesis 1:27

So God created human beings in his own image.
In the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them. (NLT)

5. **Equal in** _____ **different in** _____.
6. **Biblical leadership is** _____.

I. _____ to _____.

II. Prohibits _____ and _____
_____ over men in the church.

III. Church order grounded in _____
_____.

IV. Honoring women: _____.

Resources:

The Accidental Feminist: Restoring our Delight in God's Good Design. By Courtney Reissig.

Recovering Biblical Manhood and Womanhood: A response to Evangelical Feminism. By John Piper and Wayne Grudem.