

God's Pattern For Godly Women

1 Timothy 2:9-15

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| I. | <u>Ladies Dress Modestly.</u> | 2:9-10 |
| 1. | Dress In A Gracious Way | 2:9 |
| 2. | Dress In A Godly Way. | 2:10 |
| II. | <u>Ladies Learn Submissively.</u> | 2:11-14 |
| 1. | Accept The Pattern Of Authority. | 2:11-12 |
| 2. | Notice The Priority Of Creation. | 2:13 |
| 3. | Learn From The Particulars Of The Fall. | 2:14 |
| III. | <u>Ladies Serve Expectantly.</u> | 2:15 |
| 1. | Focus On Your Calling. | |
| 2. | Focus On Your Character. | |

PERSPECTIVES ON THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN THE CHURCH

Radical Feminism (secular)	“Radical Biblical Feminism”	Egalitarianism (“Evangelical Feminism”)	Complementarianism	Chauvinism
DeBeauvoir, Simone Greer, Germain *Stanton, Elizabeth Friedan, Betty Steinem, Gloria *Daly, Mary *Hampson, Daphne	Hardesty, Nancy Scanzoni, Letha Mollenkott, Virginia Russell, Letty Reuther, Rosemary Tribble, Phyllis Fiorenza, Elisabeth Storkey, Elaine	Bilezikian, Gilbert VanLeeuwen, Mary Spencer, Aida Kroeger, Catherine Tucker, Ruth Gundry, Stan and Patricia Achtemeier, Elizabeth CBE	Elliot, Elisabeth Knight, George Patterson, Paige and Dorothy Grudem, Wayne Packer, J. I. Akin, Danny Mohler, Al Kostenberger, Andreas Barth, Karl Henry, Carl Kassian, Mary Moore, Russ Schemm, Pete Calvin, John Luther, Martin Southern Baptist Seminary Faculties CBMW	Aristotle Augustine (?) Aquinas (?)
Women Superior in Essence Women Superior in Function	Women Equal in Essence Women the Same in Function	Women Equal in Essence Women the Same in Function	Women Equal in Essence Women Different in Function and Assignment	Men are Superior in Essence Women are Inferior

*These are the women who have moved by way of the slippery slope from “biblical” feminism into radical feminism.

**Some Basic Questions Needing An Answer
Concerning The Role of Women In the Church**

- 1) Should a woman serve as a pastor/elder?
- 2) Should a woman serve as deaconess?
- 3) Should a woman be ordained? If so, are there any limitations?
- 4) Can a woman speak in the assembly of believers? Are there any limitations?
- 5) Can a woman instruct a man? Regularly/occasionally? Publicly/privately?
- 6) Is Scripture culturally conditioned on this issue or is Paul's argument grounded in that which is trans-cultural and timeless?
- 7) Are scriptural guidelines oppressive to women or liberating?
- 8) Will God's Spirit ever direct and speak contrary to His Word?
- 9) Are women essentially equal to men? Are there functional distinctions/differences?
- 10) Does God's role for women in the church parallel God's role for women in the home?

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