



I Am Woman, Let's Restore

A Biblical Study on Womanhood

Was Jesus Egalitarian or Complementarian?
A Survey of the Four Gospels
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1. Cultural Background

2. Observations from the Four Gospels

- 1) Lust/_____/Divorce
(Matt. 5:27-30; Matt. 5:31-32, cf. Deut. 24:1; Matt. 19:3-12/Mark 10:1-12/Luke 16:18)
- 2) Marriage in _____
(Matt. 22:23-33/Luke 20:27-40)
- 3) Jesus _____ Women
(Matt. 8:14-15/Mark 1:30-31/Luke 4:38-39; Matt. 9:18-26/Mark 5:21-43/Luke 8:40-56; Matt. 15:21-28/Mark 7:24-30; Luke 7:11-17; Luke 13:10-17)
- 4) Women _____ to Jesus
(Luke 8:1-3; Matt. 27:55-56/Mark 15:40-41/Luke 23:27-31; Matt. 27:61/Luke 23:49; Mark 16:1-8; John 19:25-27)
- 5) Women as _____
(Matt. 28:1-10/Mark 16:1-8/Luke 23:54-24:12; John 20:1-2, 11-18)
- 6) The Woman _____
(John 4:1-42)
- 7) Mary _____
(Luke 10:38-42; John 11:1-6, 17-45; John 12:1-8/Matt. 26:6-13/Mark 14:3-9)
- 8) _____ Women
(Matt. 21:31-32; Luke 7:36-50; John 8:3-11)
- 9) _____ in Teaching
(Matt. 12:41-42/Luke 11:31; Matt. 25:1-13; Mark 12:41-44/Luke 21:1-4; Luke 15:8-10; Luke 18:1-8)



3. Jesus Viewed Women _____ to Men:
He Placed a _____ on Women

- 1) Jesus consciously _____ Jewish custom.
- 2) He regularly _____ women in public.
- 3) He _____ to women in honorable, thoughtful, tender and caring way.
- 4) He taught his disciples to _____ their thoughts rather than to avoid women.
- 5) He affirms human sexuality (as male and female) by _____ the affirmation found in Genesis 1 and 2.
- 6) He condemns divorce, seeking to provide _____ for women.
- 7) He _____ women.
- 8) He allowed women to _____ in his life and ministry.
- 9) He accepted women among his _____.
- 10) Jesus _____ to women first after his resurrection. They were the first witnesses (evangelists).
- 11) He used women as _____ in his teaching.
- 12) He is not afraid to point to women as _____.
- 13) He holds women _____ for their sin.
- 14) He _____ women to listen to his teaching. He _____ them theological truths. He _____ them to learn.
- 15) _____ is offered for all.



4. Jesus Viewed Women _____ from Men
"Gospels leave no doubt that Jesus presupposed a different approach and distinctive role for men and women" (Neuer, *Man & Woman in Christian Perspective*, 98).

- 1) Jesus called _____ into the circle of 12 apostles.
 - "Women gave to Christ, served Him, fellowshiped with Him, accompanied Him, learned from Him, prayed, and testified of their salvation or of Christ's resurrection. But no woman in Christ's ministry was called, commissioned, or named as an apostle, or even performed in the role of an apostle. These roles and functions Christ reserved for men" (James Borland, *Recovering Biblical Manhood and Womanhood*, 121).
 - "Against this background it is self-evident that Jesus could not have called any women as apostles, for this would have contradicted God's creation ordinance: 'God created woman as man's helper. That forms the basis of the relationship between the sexes. To the man is ascribed the role of leader, to the woman that of supporting and helping the man. Jesus does not need to emphasize this, as it had long been familiar to the Israelite communities.' It is therefore not surprising that Jesus does not express himself more fully about the relationship between, and the different tasks of, the sexes. He presupposes in his thought and acts Gen 1 and 2 as authoritative divine revelation" (Neuer, 99).

2) Women's role in Jesus' ministry was _____
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5. What Does This Matter To Me?

1) We should _____ to be _____
_____ as Jesus was.

2) Application

- _____ and _____
- _____
- _____

