

Woman Power Required

Series: Some Assembly Required (message 4) **Date:** January 23/24, 2021

Intro

Genesis 1:27

Genesis 2:18

THE PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN EMPOWERS THE CHURCH.

1 Timothy 2:8–15

WOMEN EMPOWER THROUGH PRAYER.

WOMEN EMPOWER THROUGH GOOD WORKS

- Zechariah 9:9

WOMEN EMPOWER THE CHURCH BY LEARNING THE WORD.

- Luke 10:38–42

WOMEN MAY PARTICIPATE IN ANY POSITION BUT THE ELDER/SR PASTOR.

- Titus 2:3–5
- Acts 18:24–26
- 1 Corinthians 14:26
- Philippians 2:6–7
- Genesis 2:13–15

WOMEN PARTICIPATE THROUGH A SANCTIFIED FEMININITY.

- Genesis 3:16

sermon discussion

RECAP THE PASSAGE & SERMON

Read 1 Timothy 2:8–15. Spend some time discussing the passage. What stood out or what did you notice? What questions did you have? **Next**, discuss the sermon from the weekend. Was there anything new that you learned, anything that confused you or anything that stood out?

GROUP DISCUSSION

1. Who is a godly woman that you respect, or one that has impacted your life? Share why you respect them or how they've impacted your life.
2. **Read 1 Timothy 2:8-9.** Sinful masculinity is often expressed through quarreling, fighting, and thoughtless aggression, but how does this passage describe some of the expression of sinful femininity?
3. **Read 1 Timothy 2:10.** In your experience do women receive more positive attention for the way they look or for the good things that they do? How can you play a role in making our church a place where women are honored primarily for their good deeds rather than their appearance?
4. **Read 1 Timothy 2:11-15.** How would you describe the relationship between quietness and submission? Can someone be quiet even if they are talking?
5. **Read 1 Timothy 2:11-12.** In the first century, the call for women to learn would have sounded strange or outright offensive. Today the command for women to remain quiet and submissive to teachers may sound offensive. How do you deal with passages in the Bible that are offensive or difficult to accept?
6. Why do you think it can be easy to equate a person's role with their value? **Read Genesis 1:26-27.** What do you think it means that both men and women are made in the image of God, and how does that impact their inherent value regardless of their roles?
7. **Read Philippians 2:4-9.** How can Jesus's example of submission to the Father help us accept the roles He has given us and not view them as something that decreases our value? In what roles or areas of life do you find submitting to God difficult?

GOING FURTHER

As we go through the book of 1 Timothy, you'll find suggestions for how you and your group members can go further if you want to study more. Feel free to do one of them or several.

Memorize Scripture: *Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.* **Proverbs 31:30**

STUDY: Read Proverbs 31 and consider the following questions: How does this passage compare with what we read in 1 Timothy 2? What picture does it provide of male leadership? How does the Proverbs 31 women relate to her husband, to outsiders, and to her children?