

FOR MEN ONLY

Intro. If don't like election have to agree to selection. Everywhere around us. White, brown, black. Family background. Color eyes. Height. Male, female. Gal 3:28 doesn't nullify (spiritual privilege, not duty or place). Often say trouble with ch is women out of place when actually men out of place. 200 ref to aner in NT. Males, cf feeding of 5000. Men are charged with certain things women are not. We need to take our place.

I. Witnessing. In 3 ways

- A. Evangels. Just under  $\frac{1}{2}$  ref in Acts. Men who preach and most often men to whom it is done. No women preachers except damsel of Acts 16 in Phil and daughters of Philip whatever they did). No NT book by a woman. Didache speaks of male prophets. Men ought to do witnessing home, field, pulpit.
- B. Teachers. Public teaching, 1 Tim 2:11. Before ask questions about women teaching women and children, ask if you as a man are doing all you should in teaching ministry of church.
- C. Leaders. 70 and 12 were men. 2 groups of officials in church were men. No deaconesses until 4th c. Elders men (word indicates it, cf feminine form in Tit 2:3). Beacons men by cf 1 Tim 3:11. Didache also has male leaders. Authority vested in men. Wives can help in work.

II. Watchfulness.

- A. In talk. Usually think of women needing this, but it is men. Jas 3:2. Kind needed is defined in 1 Tim 3:8--not doubletongued. Nec bec of Eph 4:30 in context. And if men are going to be spiritually qualified to do I. then must watch tongue esp.
- B. In testings. Ususally think of women who need stability, but inreality men. Jas 1:8 aner, v 12.

In spirit  
St Mark  
Alv. 12/23

Jas 3:2  
Jas 1:8  
1:23

### III. Wisdom.

A. In Scriptures. If going to do I. must know what to say.

1. For public use, 1 Cor 11:4,7; 1 Tim 2:12.

2. For private use, 1 Cor 14:35, 1 Tim 2:11.

Shame when husband has to ask wife what Script. means.

B. In prayer. 1 Tim 2:8. Esp in public worship bec that's theme of 1 Tim. Everywhere=every place of public worship. Requires holy hands lifted up. May mean standing when lead in ch prayer or may mean presenting holy lives to Lord. It takes wisdom to pray aright and since men are to lead in it they have to be wise.

Concl. Don't worry about woman until you're in your place. 1 Cor 16:13. Quit=show self to be a man.

How much of a man are you?