

"God's Design for Submission" (1 Corinthians 11:1-6)

- I. **THE CALLING AND BENEFITS OF BEING A SAINT" (1:1-9)**
- II. **A CALL FOR UNITY (1:10-31)**
- III. **UNDERSTANDING GOD'S WISDOM THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT (2:1-16)**
- IV. **RESPONDING TO GOD'S WISDOM (2:14 – 4:21)**
- V. **ADDRESSING ISSUES (5:1-6:20)**
- VI. **ANSWERING QUESTIONS (7:1-16:1)**

A. Marriage (7:1-40)

B. Areas of Liberty (8:1-11:1)

1. Principles of Liberty

- 2. **The Thinking Behind the Principle Explained:** (9:15-23)
- 3. **The Importance of Using your Liberty in Love** (9:24-27)
- 4. **The Example of The Exodus Generation** (10:1-13)
- 5. **The Command to Flee Idolatry** (10:14-22)
- 6. **The Purpose of Using your Liberty in Love** (10:23-11:1)

7. Principles regarding Submission and Head Coverings (11:1-16)

- a. You are to _____ Paul as he imitates _____

* Following his example in this instance entails three things:

- 1. Paul – by the grace of God -- _____ to Christ's authority
- 2. Paul – by the grace of God -- dissociated himself from anything overtly connected to _____
- 3. Paul – by the grace of God relinquished the exercise of perceived _____ so that a greater benefit for _____ could be realized.

- b. Paul praises these believers for two reasons:

- 1. they _____ him in all things
- 2. they remember the _____ he has taught them

* traditions

- c. In 1 Corinthians 11:3-16, Paul's primary point is that just as Christ honors and is submissive to His Head, the Father, so wives should demonstrate the same to their earthly heads, their husbands.

d. Principle Number 1: There is God ordained _____ and _____ in the world.

1. Support number 1: The Head of every _____ is _____

* Head

* Man

2. Support number 2: The head of every _____ is the _____

* Woman

3. Support number 3: The Head of _____ is _____

e. In verses 4-6, Paul says the Corinthian men should not pray or prophesy with their _____, and the women should not pray or prophesy with their _____.

f. Principle number 2: For the Corinthian men to pray with their heads covered would be _____ to their spiritual Head, _____.

* Why does this dishonor Christ?

* Because for a man to publicly wear a woman's cultural symbol of submission to her husband (the head covering) would be a public statement that he had put himself under his wife's authority.

* Prophesying

g. Principle number 3: For the Corinthian women to pray with their heads covered would be _____ to their head, their _____.

* Paul makes this a _____ to a woman with a _____

* What is the covering?

* Paul presents two alternatives regarding women to the Corinthians:

*How does this apply to you?