The Androgyny Deception Part 1 "Manly Men & Womanly Women"

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What is the **MOTTEST** topic in the church today?

The following quote deals with current issues facing our church.

A sobering quotation

"Those who feel called out to join the movement in favor of woman's rights and the so-called dress reform might as well sever all connection with the third angel's message." {1T 421}

What does this mean?

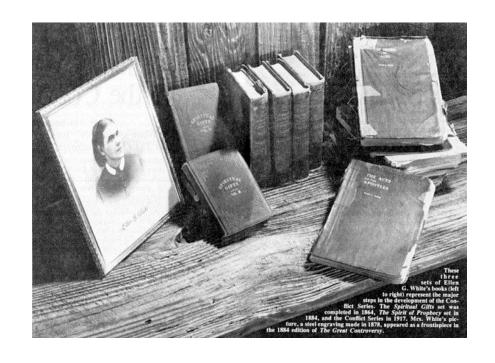
Why? Why? Why?

The common link between the women's rights movement and the "so called dress reform" is the push to remove the distinction between men and women.

Another term for this concept is **Androgyny**. (Both male & female or neither male nor female)

Why is this mindset becoming so popular?

Who is really behind this agenda?



We will begin by looking at some foundational principles found in the inspired writings.

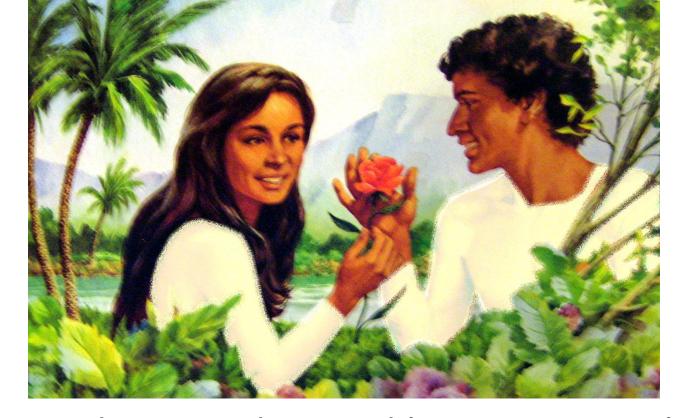
True Manhood and Womanhood



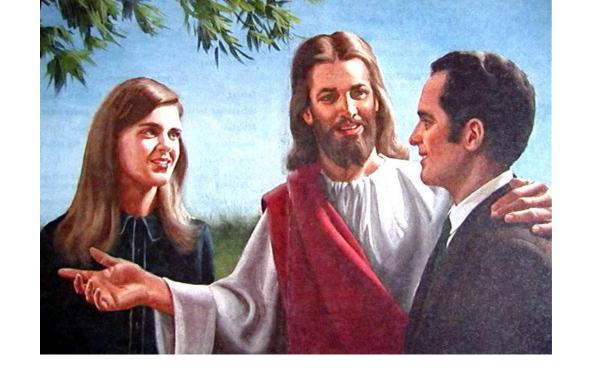
When God created humans in His image, He designed us to be a reflection of Himself, portraying the beauty of His character.



Because of sin, the image of God in humanity has been greatly marred and almost entirely defaced. Through the renewing, regenerating power of the Holy Spirit, God proposes to restore in us the image of God, enabling us to reflect the **character of Christ**, in every way.



In order to understand how we are to be restored to the image of God, we need to understand how we were originally created. From the very beginning God designated a distinction between the sexes. "Male and female created He them."



Ellen White writes extensively about the true education of our youth, which is based on biblical principles. These principles "are the foundation of noble manhood and womanhood." {cg 336}

What kind of education will make the youth a blessing to the world?

"The education which will make the young a blessing to the world, is that which enables them to attain a true and noble manhood or womanhood."

{FE 72.2}



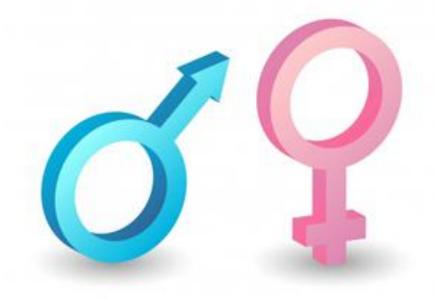
We can't start too early to teach these principles to our children:

"From their babyhood train your children for God. If in their earlier years the foundations of a righteous character are laid, their lives, as they grow into manhood and womanhood, will develop into beautiful temples for the Lord." {18MR 119.3}

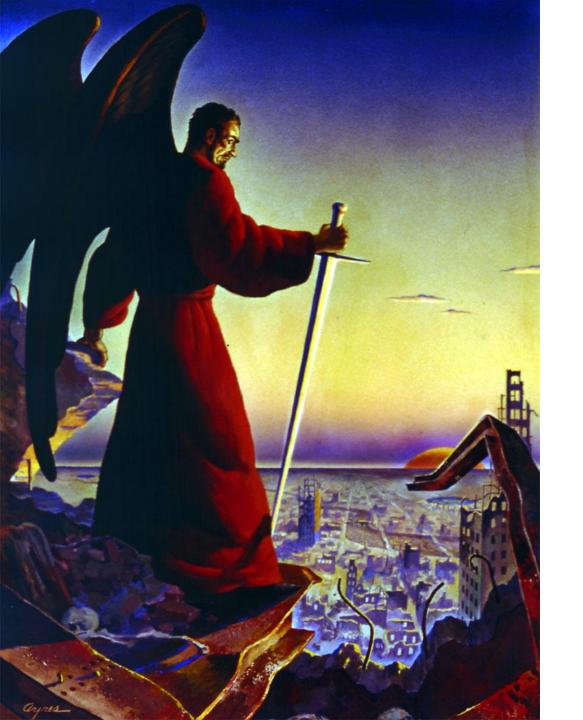
What is the result of this godly education?

"If this kind of education had been given to our children, we should today see far less selfishness, far less envy and jealousy; we should have more manly young men and womanly young women."

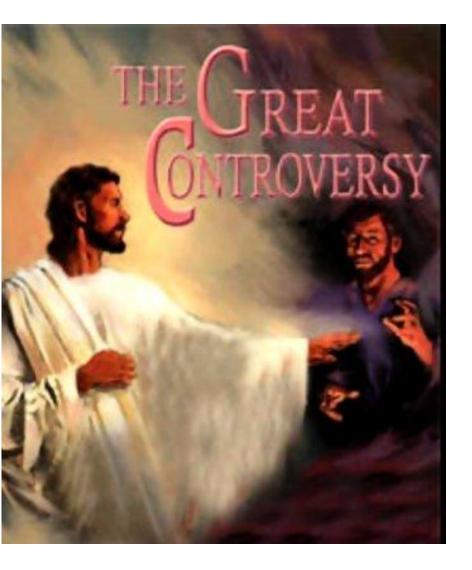
{RH, December 9, 1890 par. 9}



Why is this point regarding the distinctiveness of the manhood and womanhood so important?



Because Satan has a master plan to blur this distinction between the sexes. He knows if he can confuse this issue in our minds, he can block God's plan to restore us into His image.14



This is not a side issue, but a foundational issue in the great controversy.

Have we been affected by Satan's agenda to blur or obliterate male/female distinctions?

Perhaps more than we have realized.



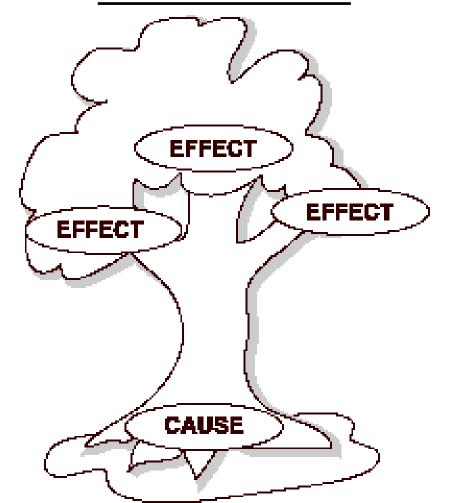


If we are keeping abreast of the news, we can see that Satan is working overtime to push his plan of gender confusion to new levels of rebellion, turning our society into a modern Sodom.

One of Satan's major goals is to destroy the family. He uses various rebellious movements as effective agents to achieve his goals. If he can destroy the family, he can destroy God's authority over humanity.



If we consider our condition as Seventh-day Adventists, and see that the prevailing sins of society are often in our midst, we must reason from cause to effect.

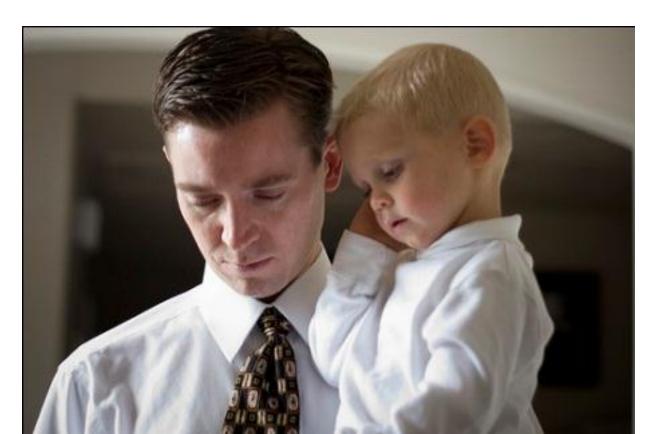


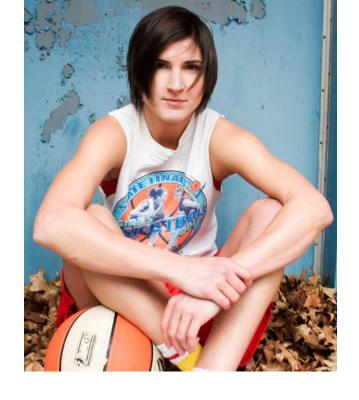
- Why do we have a lack of godly men who are strong spiritual leaders?
- Why are we experiencing a high rate of divorce among church members?

- Why do we see the same fashions, sports and entertainment in the lifestyle of members as in the world?
- Why are we seeing great apostasy, and hearing strange doctrines in our midst?

Today, the church is in desperate need of godly, manly men.

Tragically, the exemplification of godly manhood has become nearly extinct.





While true Christians are becoming more manly or more womanly according to Christ's plan, the worldly men and women are becoming more confused regarding their gender roles. We see this very clearly in society.

Our current culture is bent on destroying true manhood and womanhood.

Society's idea of what it means to be a man or a woman is all messed up!







Likes loud music Loves cars Loves women

http://staff.rio.edu/miket/attitude.htm

That's not God's idea of a manly man!

The world thinks a manly man means macho, a feminine woman means sexy.



Pride, vanity, immodesty, & selfglory are not God's idea of manliness and womanliness!



Satan provides many unmanly options for ungodly men, such as being abusive, self-centered or effeminate.





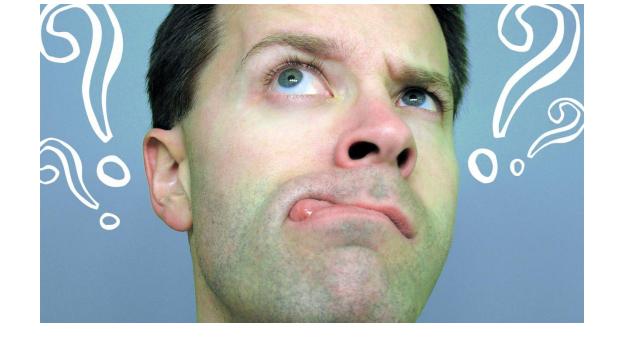


He also provides many unwomanly options for ungodly women, such as being seductive, competitive or superficial.



But mainly, Satan wants women to be insubordinate to men.





We see how the world has twisted the concept of manhood and womanhood.

What is true manhood and womanhood?

"The tendency today is to stress the equality of men and women by minimizing the unique significance of our maleness or femaleness.



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But this depreciation of male and female personhood is a great loss. It is taking a tremendous toll on generations of young men and women who do not know what it means to be a man or a woman. Confusion over the meaning of sexual personhood today is epidemic.

John Piper, "Manhood and Womanhood Defined by the Bible," page 16

What is God's standard of Manhood and Womanhood?

It's all beautifully portrayed in the Spirit of Prophecy, especially in the books Adventist Home & Child Guidance.



A true man takes his responsibility of spiritual leadership seriously. Everything he does is prompted from an awareness of his God-given role.



A manly man will teach his son the value of work, and teach practical, characterbuilding skills that will make him a good provider for his own family.



"All members of the family center in the father. He is the lawmaker, illustrating in his own **manly** bearing the sterner virtues: energy, integrity, honesty, patience, courage, diligence, and practical usefulness." {AH 212.1}



A womanly woman will exemplify modesty of appearance and deportment. She will not be forward or flirtatious. She will not hang around the men, or try to outdo them.



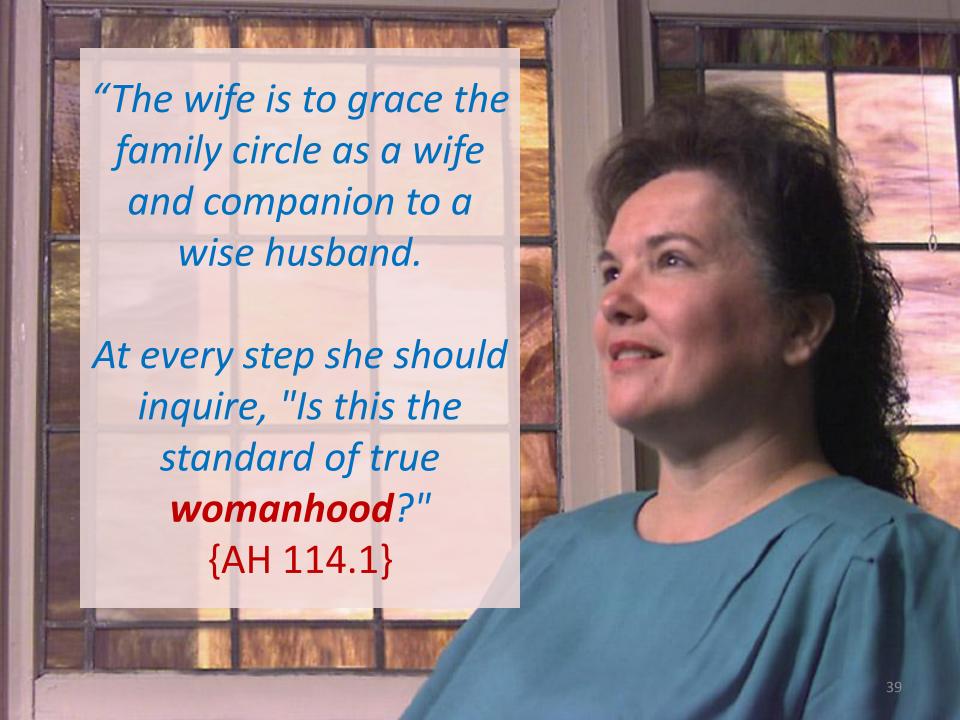
"Wonderful is the mission of the wives and mothers and the younger women workers. If they will, they can exert an influence for good to all around them. By modesty in dress and circumspect deportment they may bear witness to the truth in its simplicity."

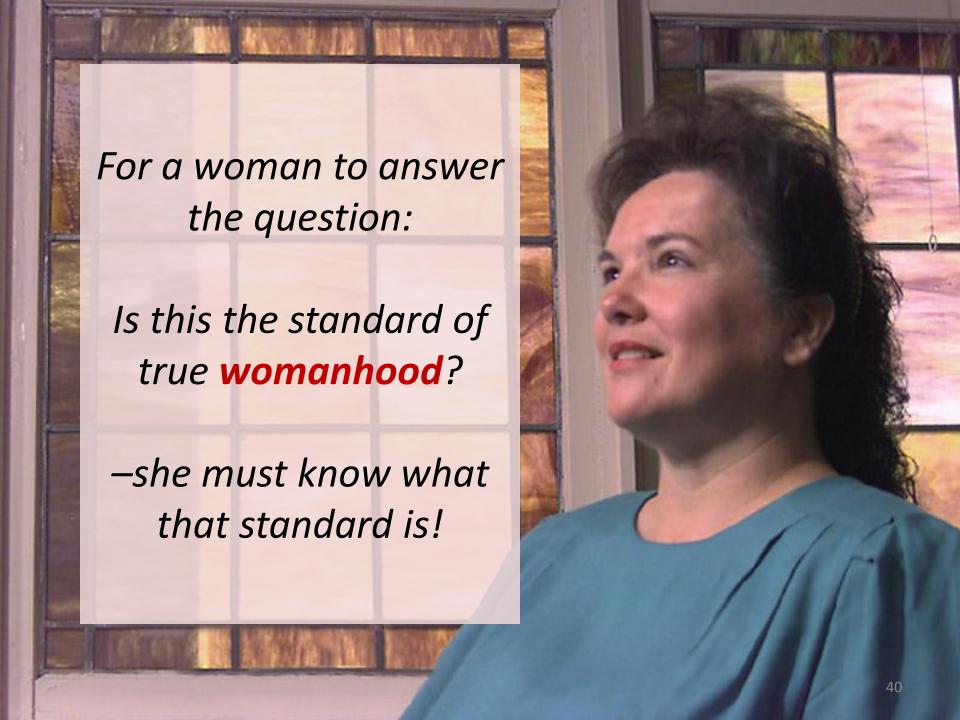
{DG 150.3}





A womanly woman's appearance is natural, simple and modest. Her attributes are refined and sensitive, designed to ennoble and uplift the sterner virtues of her husband. She will not be assertive in trying to usurp the leadership role of her husband.





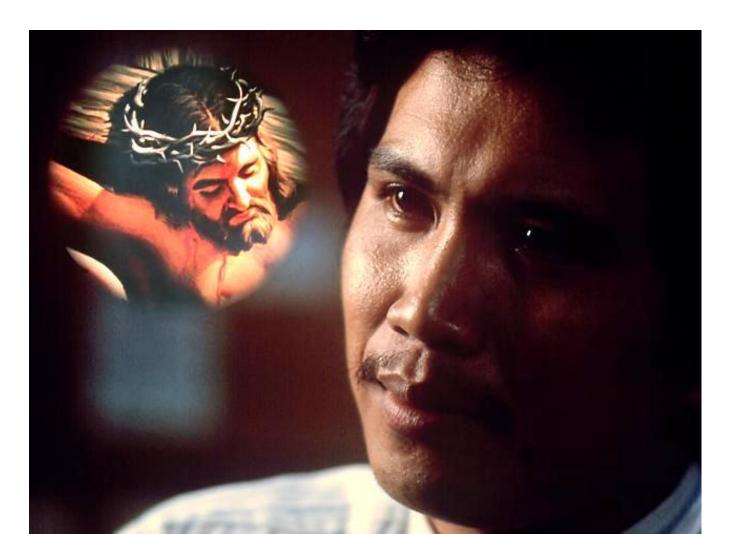


We can only understand and attain God's standard of true manhood or womanhood as we come close to Jesus, and study His character.

"All that makes men **manly** or women **womanly** is reflected from the character of Christ." {CT 541.2}



As a man reflects on Christ's holiness and sacrificial love, he becomes a stronger leader in a noble, dignified and loving way.



As a woman reflects on Christ's holiness, she becomes more submissive and supportive of her husband in a loving, womanly way.



How important it is then, that we model to our youth our God-ordained roles as men and women, and encourage them to embrace them.





God's ways and the world's ways are in direct opposition to each other!

Satan's ways bring disharmony and confusion.

Satan is the master of blur!



He wants to make our spiritual eyesight fuzzy, so we think we're worshiping God when we're really worshiping the devil!

In the process of gender blending, Satan has set out to obscure God's will.



He uses society to exert a powerful influence on God's people, so they cannot see the matter clearly.



Victor Mowery writes:

"God is the God of order. Satan is the author of confusion. Wherever God has ordained order, such as the virtues of manhood and womanhood, Satan wishes to destroy that order and replace it with confusion. Here are the main battle fronts Satan seems to have chosen lately in his ages-old quest to destroy God's order for Man and Woman: (cont.)

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"The acceptance of homosexuality, making a meaningless mockery of the God-ordained institution of orderly marriage.

The rise of feminism, bringing the decline of gender-based roles of any kind.

The brainwashing of men to accept the passive, clueless roles that Satan envisions for them.

The use of every facet of Satan's power in this world to accomplish the above, including his control of the entertainment industry, the media, the fashion industry, etc."

Satan is trying to deceive us, and get us to accept his devious plan, and to agree with his evil agenda.





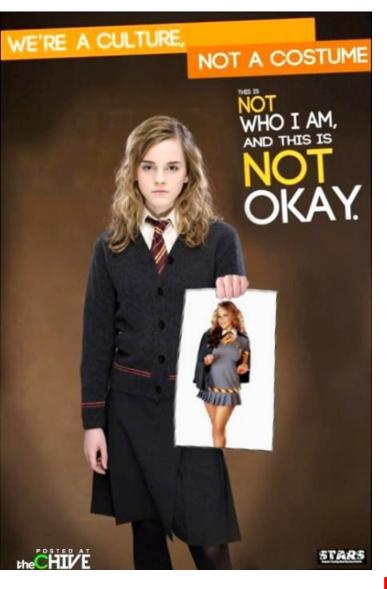
That is why we must reconsider our standards and practices in all these matters if we would effectively resist Satan's gender blending attack.



Why does Satan want to disrupt God's order? Why does he want to blur or pervert the gender distinction?

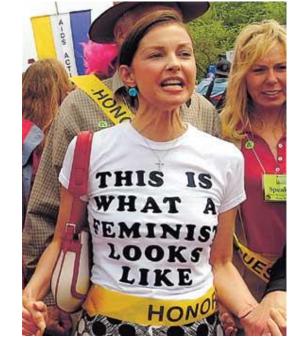


He's still vying for unlawful power. He wants us to join him in his rebellion.



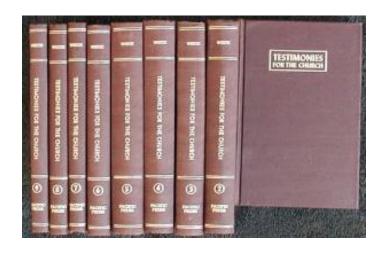
Gender blending is one of Satan's powerful tools for the overturning and overtaking the government of God.

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Satan uses the pagan mindset and the godless perversity of society to enlist people in his rebellion.

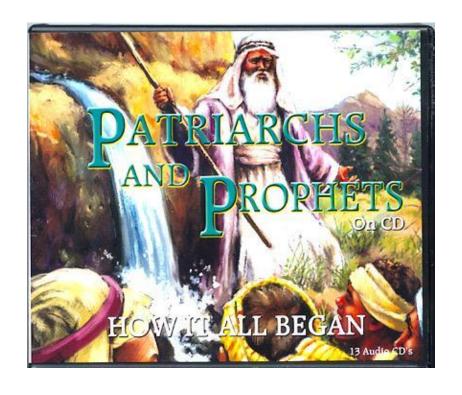




The Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy are very clear as to the male headship in the home and in the church.

"At the beginning, the father was constituted priest and magistrate of his own family. Then came the patriarchal rule, which was like that of the family, but extended over a greater number."

{ST, July 13, 1882 par. 2}



Patriarchy is not a great evil. It is a God-ordained system that begins in the home, and extends to the church.

In early times the father was the ruler and priest of his own family, and he exercised authority over his children, even after they had families of their own. His descendants were taught to look up to him as their head, in both religious and secular matters. {PP 141.2}

The patriarchal system, as designed by God, defines the roles of men and women.



"This patriarchal system of government Abraham endeavored to perpetuate, as it tended to preserve the knowledge of God. It was necessary to bind the members of the household together, in order to build up a barrier against the idolatry that had become so widespread and so deep-seated." {PP 141.2}

"The Lord has constituted the husband the head of the wife to be her protector; he is the house-band of the family, binding the members together, even as Christ is the head of the church and the Saviour of the mystical body." {AH 215}

"Let every husband who claims to love God carefully study the requirements of God in his position. Christ's authority is exercised in wisdom, in all kindness and gentleness; so let the husband exercise his power and imitate the great Head of the church." {AH 215.1}



"The father is in one sense the priest of the household, laying upon the altar of God the morning and evening sacrifice."

{CCh 145.3}

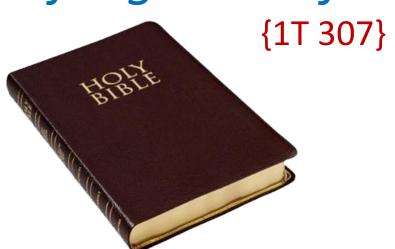
"Eve was created from a rib taken from the side of Adam, signifying that she was not to control him as the head, nor to be trampled under his feet as an inferior, but to stand by his side as an equal, to be loved and protected by him." {LYL 11.2}

Do we ever read in inspired writings that the husband is to be provided for and protected by the wife? No.

Here we see the difference between the roles of husband and wife:

"In the marriage vows they have promised to be as one, the wife covenanting to love and <u>obey</u> her husband, the husband promising to love and cherish his wife. {cch 130.3}

"It is the duty of the wife to yield her wishes and will to her husband. Both should be yielding, but the Word of God gives preference to the judgment of the husband."





"We women must remember that God has placed us subject to the husband. He is the head, and our judgment and views and reasonings must agree with his, if possible. If not, the preference in God's Word is given to the husband where it is not a matter of conscience. We must yield to the head."

--Letter 5, 1861. {TSB 28.2}

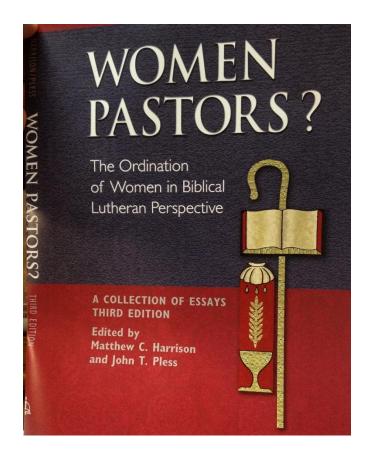
"God has assigned woman her mission, and if she, in her humble way, to the best of her ability, makes a heaven of her home, faithfully and lovingly performing her home-duties to her husband and children, she is doing the work left her of the Master. These women . . . are missionaries in the highest sense." {PH011 39.1}

"We may safely say that the dignity and importance of woman's mission and distinctive duties are of a more sacred and holy character than the duties of man." {3T 565.2}



Why should she seek a man's role when she has such a high calling?





Consider this: Does not God, in His infinite wisdom, have the right to give different assignments to His created beings?



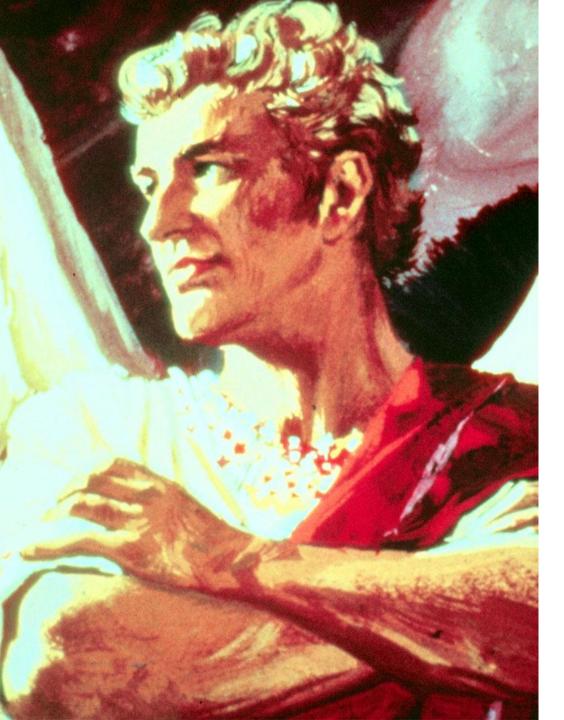
While God loved all the holy angels equally, they were assigned different positions.

Lucifer was assigned the highest position among created beings, but,

"step by step he miscalculated the position that had been assigned."

{RH, May 30, 1899 par. 3}

Because of discontentment with his position, Lucifer lost everything. If he can inspire humans with the same discontentment of their position, or of their gender role, he vicariously conquers God through humanity's rebellion.

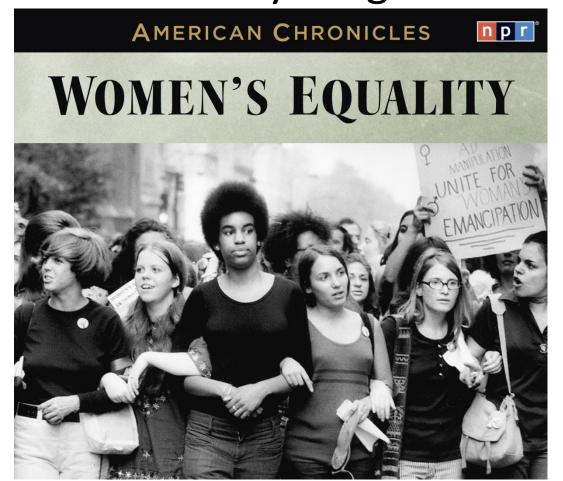


Satan failed in his attempt to usurp authority and power that was not rightfully his.



"The controversy in heaven began with selfish strife for position, a desire on the part of Lucifer to be equal with God." {RH, May 30, 1899 par. 3}

Women have been led to believe that they are inferior if they do not push their way into a man's world, and demand equality in everything.



The feminist definition of equality means that there is NO distinction in any area.

See http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Women's Strike for Equality, http://thewickedflea.com/2009/01/what-modern-feminism-really-is.html



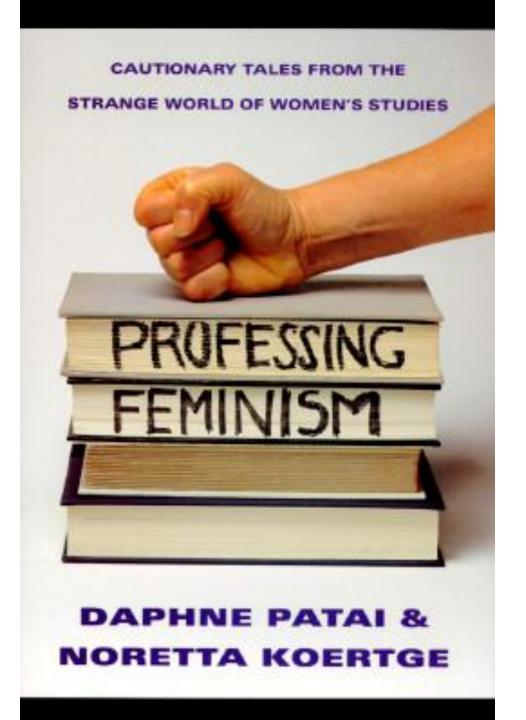


Feminists claim that meaning and fulfillment can only be found if they have "equal rights." In other words, they demand identical roles as men, "without regard to gender." But they are making the same mistake that Eve made.





"She was perfectly happy in her Eden home by her husband's side; but, like restless modern Eves, she was flattered that there was a higher sphere than that which God had assigned her. But in attempting to climb higher than her original position, she fell far below it. 82



"This will most assuredly be the result with the Eves of the present generation if they neglect to cheerfully take up their daily life duties in accordance with God's plan." {3T 483.1}



God's directions regarding this order of male headship are very plain.

If we follow them carefully, we can expect a reformation.

Notice this following quotation:

"Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them.

- "... How plain are the directions that God has given through the inspiration of His Spirit.
- "... When parents will remember that they are to begin with the <u>church in the home</u>, the true work of reform for which God calls will be carried forward.

{PUR, December 15, 1904 par. 9}

Dare we invalidate these plain directions regarding the headship of man in regards to the church?

If we do, we throw out the whole symbolism of Christ and the church, as modeled by the husband and wife relationship.



"God is the husband of His church. The church is the bride, the Lamb's wife. Every true believer is a part of the body of Christ. Christ regards unfaithfulness shown to Him by His people as the unfaithfulness of a wife to her husband. We are to remember that we are members of Christ's body." (Letter 39,

1902). {7BC 985.9}

The home is a model of the church.

The husband is to model the headship of Christ, and the wife is to model the submission of the body to the head.





Unfortunately, this plan has not been faithfully followed by many of us.

If God's plan for headship is not followed in the home, confusion and division spreads to the church.



Just as the patriarchal rule spread to the extended family, so the principle of the headship of the husband spreads to the church family. The same rules govern both.





"The rules and regulations of the home life must be in strict accordance with a 'Thus saith the Lord.' The rules God has given for the government of His church are the rules parents are to follow in the church in the home." {ST, September 25, 1901 par.





Ministers should be housebands = husbands

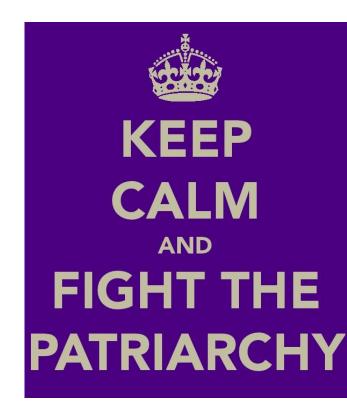


"Those whom the Lord intrusts with his work [Ministers] should cultivate home religion. . . . They should cultivate such traits of character as will qualify them to stand as <u>head of their own households</u>. They should be <u>housebands</u>."

{RH, March 14, 1893 par. 6}

"The meaning of 'husband' is 'houseband.' "
{ST, March 28, 1892 par. 1}

The feminist cry for "Equality" must necessarily by linked with the removal of the patriarchal system, which makes a difference between the roles of men and women.



A feminist declares: "We as females must break out of this **patriarchal** construction, which acts to only pacify us into submission, and begin to take hold of *positive* characteristics considered both masculine and feminine. We must become androgynous, whole persons. We must regain the power."

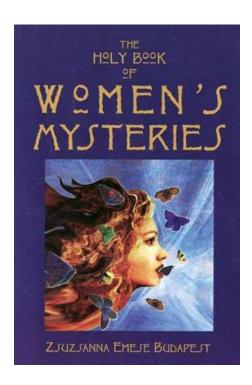
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Patriarchy is seen as a great evil, which needs to be eradicated.



This line of thinking has come into many churches as a push for women's ordination. In the ordination of women, spiritual authority is assumed by females.





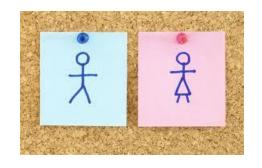
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When the patriarchal system is removed, the inroads of paganism become pervasive in society.



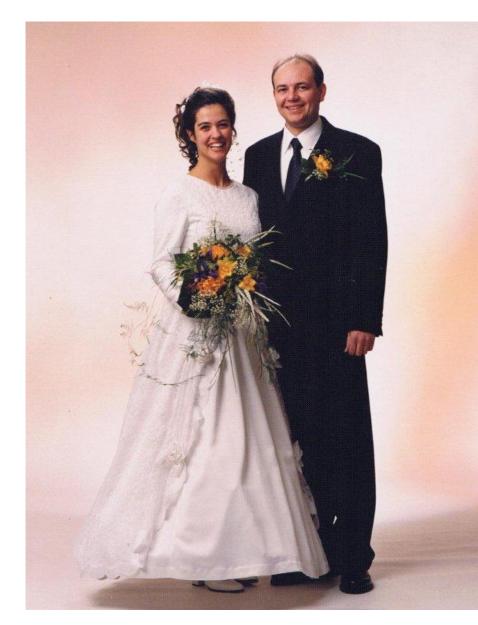
The androgynous movement is currently trying to do away with all sexual distinction.





When all these distinctions are blurred, Satan will have effectively destroyed our reverence for our Creator, our faith in the Bible and our purpose for existing as a Christian church.

In this presentation, we have clearly seen how God set up a system of male headship, both in the home and in the church.





In the next presentation we will discover the shocking roots of the movement that wants to do away with the male/female distinction.

End of Part 1 Part 2 will clearly reveal the roots of androgyny. You will see how this masterminded agenda is preparing society to receive the final delusion. http://theandrogynydeception.com/PDF/T he-Androgyny-Deception-part-2.pdf