

1 Timothy 2:11-15

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Title: The Heart of Worshipping Women

Aim: Let us gather to worship God with hearts that please Him.

1. The conduct and character of worshipping women (9-15)

A. Adorned with respectability, modesty, self-control & good works (9-10)

B. Embrace learning in quietness and self-control (11-12)

C. Argument/Proof/Establishment from Creation (13-14)

D. Assurance of salvation (15)

Sermon Study Guide

(Reminder: The purpose of the questions is to explore the text and themes of the sermon. **Do not feel a need to go through all of the questions.** The goal is to stimulate discussion/reflection and transformation related to the sermon text and themes.)

1. In Paul's day, would his instruction for women to learn been viewed as repression or liberation? How does "quietly" help us understand yet another disruption within their corporate worship setting?
2. What does Paul mean by learning "with all submissiveness"? What was your reaction to what Paul wrote? Why does "submission" draw such a strong reaction today?
3. Does Paul's teaching demean women? Why or why not? Why do we identify our worth in *what we can do* rather than *who we are*?
4. Paul grounds his argument in the pre-fall order of God's creation (13-14), why does this matter? Paul states Adam was formed first then Eve, and Eve was deceived not Adam. What's his point in saying this? What are the different ways the promise of v. 15 has been understood? Which explanation do you find most convincing?
5. How do these instructions change the way we understand the nature of teaching within the gathered church? Based on this passage what is God wanting you to learn?