

## Beautiful Design Class Schedule

1. God's Wonderful Gift of Gender - January 6
2. Manhood (pt 1) - January 13
3. Manhood (pt 2) - January 27
4. Womanhood (pt 1) - February 3
5. Womanhood (pt 2) - February 24
6. Men & Women in the Home – March 3
7. Men & Women in the Church - March 10
8. Men & Women in the World & Workplace - March 31
10. Sex, Marriage, Same-Sex Attraction & Gender Confusion – April 7
11. Objections to Complementarianism – April 14

### *For further study:*

1. *What's the Difference: Manhood and Womanhood Defined According to the Bible.* By John Piper
2. *Designed For Joy: How the Gospel Impacts Men and Women, Identity and Practice.*

Questions and comments are welcome!

[junruh@fbcenid.com](mailto:junruh@fbcenid.com)

## *Beautiful Design*

Class 6: Men & Women in the Home



### **I. Biblical Masculinity & Femininity in the Context of Singleness**

#### **A. The New Testament Celebrates Singleness for Men and Women**

- 1 Corinthians 7:8, 32 *It is good for them to remain single...*

#### **A. The Single Christian Expresses Manhood or Womanhood in the Family of God**

##### *Single Men:*

- Provide spiritually and financially (Gen 2:15; 1 Tim. 5:1)
- Take responsibility to know and guard the Word
- Strive for the qualities of an elder (1 Tim 3, Titus 1)
- Protect sisters in Christ in appropriate ways

##### *Single Women:*

- Extend a helpful, encouraging disposition (Gen 2:18)
- Nurture the spiritual health of other women (Titus 2:3-5)
- Cultivate spiritual beauty (1 Pet 3:4)

### **II. Biblical Masculinity & Femininity in the Context of Marriage**

**A. Definition:** *Men and women are created equal, but with distinct, God-given roles within the family: the husband lovingly leads as provider and protector, and the wife respectfully submits as his helper.*

- Responding to misunderstandings: Biblically speaking, differences in role do not imply hierarchy of value (Gen 1:26-27, Gal 3:28)

## **B. Examining: Ephesians 5:22-33**

1. Paul calls wives to submit to their own husbands as to the Lord (v. 22)
2. The husband is the head of the wife, just as Christ is the head of the church (vv. 23-24)
3. Husbands are to love their wives as Christ loved the church (vv. 25-30)
4. Marriage speaks to the world about Christ's relationship to the church (vv. 31-32)

## **C. Examining: 1 Peter 3:1-7**

### **A. For wives: Godly submission is powerful, beautiful, and rewarding (vv. 1-6)**

1. "Respectful and pure conduct" (v. 2)
2. "The imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit" (v. 4)
3. Do good, not "fear" (v. 6)

### **B. For husbands: Godly leadership is considerate and selfless (v. 7)**

1. Live with your wife "in an understanding way"
2. Show "honor to the woman as the weaker vessel"

## **D. Application:**

- Should a Wife/Mother work to earn income outside the Home?
- How Should Husbands and wives make decisions?
- How should husband and wife manage other duties and responsibilities?
- How should husband and wife lead, care for, and discipline children?