

Week 13: “Gender Roles” – 1 Timothy 2:8-15

Please have the ADULTS in your groups ‘Sign-In’ to GraceHill Small Groups via Church Center

Ice Breaker Question: What has been a highlight for you during this season of Small Group Ministry?

Sermon Questions

- 1) In this passage, Paul calls out men for an attitude of quarreling/anger.
 - a) Is it true that men struggle with this? Why do you think this is?
 - b) Is this solely a male problem? Why or why not?
- 2) In this passage, Paul calls out women for a preoccupation with appearances.
 - a) Is it true that women struggle with this? Why do you think this is?
 - b) Is this solely a female problem? Why or why not?
- 3) Both issues (quarreling and appearances) tend to detract from a focus on worship.
 - a) Describe how that can happen. Are there other ways we might shift focus to ourselves rather than to the Lord on Sunday mornings? Other days of the week?
- 4) Multiple times in this letter, Paul emphasizes the “quiet life” (1 Timothy 2:2,11, 12)
 - a) What is the definition of a quiet life? How does such a way of living help promote the Gospel?
- 5) God’s created order matters and Paul uses this as evidence for specific male and female roles in the home and the church.
 - a) How would you define the roles that Scripture lays out and was discussed during the sermon?
 - b) What are the benefits and responsibilities for each of these roles?
 - c) What would it look like for these roles to be carried out perfectly within these settings?
- 6) This discussion makes it clear that all of us have work to do when it comes to living out our God-given roles. Discuss steps you can take to answer this call.

Digging Deeper

Read Ephesians 5:22-33; 1 Peter 3:1-7

- 1) What similarities do you see with these passages and the one from 1 Timothy?
- 2) What differences exist? What new thoughts do these passages raise?

Prayer Time