

**Additional Passages Relating to the Differing Roles of Gender by God's Design
(God Designed Men & Women Differently to Fulfill Different Roles)**

1 Corinthians 11:1-16 ¹ Imitate me, just as I also <i>imitate</i> Christ. ² Now I praise you, brethren, that you remember me in all things and keep the traditions just as I delivered <i>them</i> to you. ³ But I want you to know that the head of every man is Christ, the head of woman <i>is</i> man, and the head of Christ <i>is</i> God. ⁴ Every man praying or prophesying, having <i>his</i> head covered, dishonors his head. ⁵ But every woman who prays or prophesies with <i>her</i> head uncovered dishonors her head, for that is one and the same as if her head were shaved. ⁶ For if a woman is not covered, let her also be shorn. But if it is shameful for a woman to be shorn or shaved, let her be covered. ⁷ For a man indeed ought not to cover <i>his</i> head, since he is the image and glory of God; but woman is the glory of man. ⁸ For man is not from woman, but woman from man. ⁹ Nor was man created for the woman, but woman for the man. ¹⁰ For this reason the woman ought to have a <i>symbol</i> of authority on <i>her</i> head, because of the angels. ¹¹ Nevertheless, neither <i>is</i> man independent of woman, nor woman independent of man, in the Lord. ¹² For as woman <i>came</i> from man, even so man also <i>comes</i> through woman; but all things are from God. ¹³ Judge among yourselves. Is it proper for a woman to pray to God with her head uncovered? ¹⁴ Does not even nature itself teach you that if a man has long hair, it is a dishonor to him? ¹⁵ But if a woman has long hair, it is a glory to her; for <i>her</i> hair is given to her for a covering. ¹⁶ But if anyone seems to be contentious, we have no such custom, nor <i>do</i> the churches of God.	Quick Observations: Regarding Submission in General: • Submission is a divine attribute (3) • Jesus submits to the Father (3) • Men are under submission to Christ (3) • Women are under men (3) • Submission does not relate to value, but to function Regarding a Woman's Submission: • Headcovering is discussed here (either it relates to hair or a physical covering in addition to hair) • Headcovering relates to a woman praying (no particular place or situation is indicated) • Headcovering seems to be an outward acceptance by a woman of her role under man as God designed • Man NOT covering his head reflects this same thing, only the man's assigned responsibility before God. • Longer hair is "given" to a woman as a covering – this could only be at creation.
1 Timothy 3:1-15 ¹ This <i>is</i> a faithful saying: If a man desires the position of a bishop, he desires a good work. ² A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, temperate, sober-minded, of good behavior, hospitable, able to teach; ³ not given to wine, not violent, not greedy for money, but gentle, not quarrelsome, not covetous; ⁴ one who rules his own house well, having <i>his</i> children in submission with all reverence ⁵ (for if a man does not know how to rule his own house, how will he take care of the church of God?); ⁶ not a novice, lest being puffed up with pride he fall into the <i>same</i> condemnation as the devil. ⁷ Moreover he must have a good testimony among those who are outside, lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil. ⁸ Likewise deacons <i>must be</i> reverent, not double-tongued, not given to much wine, not greedy for money, ⁹ holding the mystery of the faith with a pure conscience. ¹⁰ But let these also first be tested; then let them serve as deacons, being <i>found</i> blameless. ¹¹ Likewise <i>their</i> wives <i>must be</i> reverent, not slanderers, temperate, faithful in all things. ¹² Let deacons be the husbands of one wife, ruling <i>their</i> children and their own houses well. ¹³ For those who have served well as deacons obtain for themselves a good standing and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ These things I write to you, though I hope to come to you shortly; ¹⁵ but if I am delayed, <i>I write</i> so that you may know how you ought to conduct yourself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.	Quick Observations: • The two "positions" in an assembly, the pastor/overseer/elder and the deacon, are both pictured as men, not women. • The instructions in 1 Timothy 2 and 1 Timothy 3 tie together (the chapter divisions were given to the Bible later, and were not part of the original text).s

1 Timothy 5:9-16 ⁹ Do not let a widow under sixty years old be taken into the number, <i>and not unless</i> she has been the wife of one man, ¹⁰ well reported for good works: if she has brought up children, if she has lodged strangers, if she has washed the saints' feet, if she has relieved the afflicted, if she has diligently followed every good work. ¹¹ But refuse <i>the</i> younger widows; for when they have begun to grow wanton against Christ, they desire to marry, ¹² having condemnation because they have cast off their first faith. ¹³ And besides they learn <i>to be</i> idle, wandering about from house to house, and not only idle but also gossips and busybodies, saying things which they ought not. ¹⁴ Therefore I desire that <i>the</i> younger widows marry, bear children, manage the house, give no opportunity to the adversary to speak reproachfully. ¹⁵ For some have already turned aside after Satan. ¹⁶ If any believing man or woman has widows, let them relieve them, and do not let the church be burdened, that it may relieve those who are really widows.	Quick Observations: • This list is very similar to a pastor's qualifications (and deacon's) in 1 Tim 3. • This was a qualifications list for specific widows who ministered in the church. • The list includes marriage, motherhood, ministry to the saints and the sick, and hospitality. • The list excludes formal ministry positions ("Bible study leader" or "teacher") and any hint of an external career. (This is consistent through Scripture, as in Proverbs 31).
Titus 2:1-15 ¹ But as for you, speak the things which are proper for sound doctrine: ² that the older men be sober, reverent, temperate, sound in faith, in love, in patience; ³ the older women likewise, that they be reverent in behavior, not slanderers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things-- ⁴ that they admonish the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, ⁵ <i>to be</i> discreet, chaste, homemakers, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be blasphemed. ⁶ Likewise exhort the young men to be sober-minded, ⁷ in all things showing yourself <i>to be</i> a pattern of good works; in doctrine <i>showing</i> integrity, reverence, incorruptibility, ⁸ sound speech that cannot be condemned, that one who is an opponent may be ashamed, having nothing evil to say of you. ⁹ <i>Exhort</i> bondservants to be obedient to their own masters, to be well pleasing in all <i>things</i>, not answering back, ¹⁰ not pilfering, but showing all good fidelity, that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Savior in all things. ¹¹ For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, ¹² teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, ¹³ looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, ¹⁴ who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself <i>His</i> own special people, zealous for good works. ¹⁵ Speak these things, exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no one despise you.	Quick Observations: • General assignments for older men, older women, younger women, younger men, and servants. • Younger women are given a larger, specific list that is directly related to their creation-assigned role, and which is again consistent with the rest of Scripture.
Ezekiel 16:44-50 ⁴⁴ "Indeed everyone who quotes proverbs will use <i>this</i> proverb against you: 'Like mother, like daughter!' ⁴⁵ "You <i>are</i> your mother's daughter, loathing husband and children; and you <i>are</i> the sister of your sisters, who loathed their husbands and children; your mother <i>was</i> a Hittite and your father an Amorite. ⁴⁶ "Your elder sister <i>is</i> Samaria, who dwells with her daughters to the north of you; and your younger sister, who dwells to the south of you, <i>is</i> Sodom and her daughters. ⁴⁷ "You did not walk in their ways nor act according to their abominations; but, as <i>if that</i> were too little, you became more corrupt than they in all your ways. ⁴⁸ "As I live," says the Lord GOD, "neither your sister Sodom nor her daughters have done as you and your daughters have done. ⁴⁹ "Look, this was the iniquity of your sister Sodom: She and her daughter had pride, fullness of food, and abundance of idleness; neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy. ⁵⁰ "And they were haughty and committed abomination before Me; therefore I took them away as I <i>saw fit</i>.	Quick Observations: • This passage presents nations as women. • It is the negative description that can be very closely contrasted with Proverbs 31 and Titus 2:3-5.
See also Proverbs 31:10-31	

