Series: The Authentic Life

Message: Authentic Manhood & Womanhood: Part Two

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 11:4-16

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Last week:

1. God's Truth Regarding Authentic Manhood And Womanhood. 1 Cor. 11:2-3

1 Corinthians 11:2

² Now I praise you because you remember me in everything and hold firmly to the traditions, just as I delivered them to you.

1 Corinthians 11:3

³ But I want you to understand that Christ is the head of every man, and the man is the head of a woman, and God is the head of Christ.

This week:

2. Cultural Expressions Regarding Authentic Manhood And Womanhood. 1 Cor. 11:4-16

Definition: Authentic manhood & womanhood requires being secure in one's God-given sexual identity and one's corresponding God-given complementary role.

1 Corinthians 11:4-16

- ⁴ Every man who has something on his head while praying or prophesying disgraces his head.
- ⁵ But every woman who has her head uncovered while praying or prophesying disgraces her head, for she is one and the same as the woman whose head is shaved.
- ⁶ For if a woman does not cover her head, let her also have her hair cut off; but if it is disgraceful for a woman to have her hair cut off or her head shaved, let her cover her head.
- ⁷ For a man ought not to have his head covered, since he is the image and glory of God; but the woman is the glory of man.
- ⁸ For man does not originate from woman, but woman from man;
- ⁹ for indeed man was not created for the woman's sake, but woman for the man's sake.

- ¹⁰Therefore the woman ought to have a symbol of authority on her head, because of the angels.
- ¹¹ However, in the Lord, neither is woman independent of man, nor is man independent of woman.
- ¹² For as the woman originates from the man, so also the man has his birth through the woman; and all things originate from God.
- ¹³ Judge for 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 her hair is given to her for a covering.
- ¹⁶ But if one is inclined to be contentious, we have no other practice, nor have the churches of God.

Harvey C. Mansfield, Manliness, excerpted quotes from book

"Manliness can be distilled to confidence in the face of risk and an easy assumption of authority. Good manliness corresponds to honor, nobility, and heroism; bad manliness involves violence, foolishness and stubbornness. Manliness has more to do with attitude than looks. Here is what manliness isn't. It isn't about brute strength, aggression or any of the other characteristics we sometimes associate with traditional masculinity. The hyper-masculine male and our attraction to him, in fact, may be a reaction to the feminizing trend in culture. Manly men are not bullies, show-offs, braggarts or swaggerers – all of which are ungentlemanly behaviors and suggestive of insecurity, which is consummately unmanly.

G.K. Chesterton

"In the coming years, we need men who are not confused about their responsibilities to family and country. We need boys who have acquired the virtues of honor, courage, valor, and loyalty. We need women willing to let men be men – and boys be boys. And we need young men and women who will commit and marry and raise children in stable homes. Unprogressive though it sounds, the world in which we live requires no less."

Biblical Foundations for Manhood and Womanhood

Wayne Grudem, Crossway Books

The debate has raged over how to define true masculinity and true femininity. While there is agreement that men and women share equally in the privilege of being made in God's image, some views of manhood and womanhood blur God-given gender distinctions. A team assembled by Wayne Gruden contribute to this book to show how some views of manhood and womanhood tamper with our understanding of God's character and why the extremes of male domination and feminism destroy the beauty of our sexual differences – differences that celebrate the excellence of men and women as God created us.

Evangelical Feminism and Biblical Truth

Wayne Grudem, Multnomah Publishers

Is male headship a product of sin? Does Deborah's authority prove God calls women to leadership? Is female submission a cultural carryover from first century society? Advocating a "complementarian" vs. an "egalitarian" view, Grudem offers point-by-point biblically based responses to these and other feminist claims challenging the God-ordained roles of men and women. Provocative!

Recovering Biblical Manhood & Womanhood

John Piper and Wayne Grudem, Crossway Books
More than twenty contributors provide a thorough response to evangelical
feminism, with relevance for family, society, and church life. Combining
systematic argumentation with popular application, this volume deals with
all of the main passages of Scripture brought forward in this controversy
regarding gender-based role differences.