**Biblical Manhood and Womanhood Course Outline**

Week 1:  Intro and Biblical Theology of Gender

Week 2:  Biblical Masculinity Part 1

Week 3:  Biblical Masculinity Part 2

Week 4:  Biblical Femininity Part 1

Week 5:  Biblical Femininity Part 2

Week 6:  Gender Confusion

Week 7: Manhood & Womanhood in the Home Part 1

Week 8: Manhood & Womanhood in the Home Part 2

Week 9:  Manhood & Womanhood in the Church Part 1

Week 10:  Manhood & Womanhood in the Church Part 2

Week 11: Manhood & Womanhood in the World & Workplace

Week 12:  Objections to Complementarianism

Week 13:  Panel Discussion & Q&A

**Summaries:**

The essence of biblical masculinity is a sense of benevolent responsibility to tend God’s creation, to provide for and protect others, and to express loving, sacrificial leadership in particular contexts prescribed by God’s Word.

The essence of biblical femininity is a gracious disposition to cultivate life, to help others flourish, and to affirm, receive and nurture strength and leadership from worthy men in particular contexts prescribed by God’s Word.

*For further study:*

1. The Meaning of Marriage, Tim & Kathy Keller (chapter 6 especially)

2. God’s Design for Man and Womanhood, Andreas & Margaret Köstenberger

3. The Accidental Feminist*,* Courtney Reissig

*Questions and comments are welcome!*

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Biblical Manhood and Womanhood – Lesson 7

***Manhood and Womanhood in the Home, Part 2***

**I. Introduction:** The family under fire

* Biblical teaching helps us critique both past stereotypes and faulty solutions
* Review from last week
* Note for those who are single

**II. 1 Peter 3:1-7**

**A. For wives: godly submission is powerful, beautiful, and rewarding**

1. “Respectful and pure conduct”
2. “The imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit”
3. Trust, not “fear”

**B. For husbands: godly leadership is considerate and selfless**

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

**III. Thinking Practically about Biblical Manhood and Womanhood in the Home...**

1. *How should husbands and wives make decisions?*
* Matters of preference
* Making decisions when there isn’t mutual agreement
* Failure and forgiveness
* The problem of passivity

*2. How should a husband and wife allocate other duties and responsibilities?*

* General guidelines
* Husbands and provision
* A wife’s normal calling to be “busy at home” (Titus 2:5)

*3. How should a husband and wife lead, care for and discipline their children?*

* Fathers: Eph 6:4 *...Bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord*
* Mothers: 1 Tim 5:14 *….Manage their households*
* Practical considerations