

# GALLED OUT

A STUDY OF 1 CORINTHIANS

"Women (and Men) in Church" by Pastor Dan Stockum



<sup>2</sup> Now I commend you because you remember me in everything and maintain the traditions even as I delivered them to you.



<sup>3</sup> But I want you to understand that the head of every man is Christ, the head of a wife is her husband, and the head of Christ is God.



<sup>4</sup> Every man who prays or prophesies with his head covered dishonors his head,



<sup>5</sup> but every wife who prays or prophesies with her head uncovered dishonors her head, since it is the same as if her head were shaven.



<sup>6</sup> For if a wife will not cover her head, then she should cut her hair short. But since it is disgraceful for a wife to cut off her hair or shave her head, let her cover her head.



<sup>7</sup> For a man ought not to cover his head, since he is the image and glory of God, but woman is the glory of man.



<sup>8</sup> For man was not made from woman, but woman from man. <sup>9</sup> Neither was man created for woman, but woman for man.



<sup>10</sup> That is why a wife ought to have a symbol of authority on her head, because of the angels.



<sup>11</sup> Nevertheless, in the Lord woman is not independent of man nor man of woman;
 <sup>12</sup> for as woman was made from man, so man is now born of woman. And all things are from God.



<sup>13</sup> Judge for yourselves:
is it proper for a wife to pray to God with her head uncovered?



Does not nature itself teach you that if a man wears long hair it is a disgrace for him,
 but if a woman has long hair, it is her glory?
 For her hair is given to her for a covering.



<sup>16</sup> If anyone is inclined to be contentious, we have no such practice, nor do the churches of God.



33 As in all the churches of the saints,
 34 the women should keep silent in the churches.
 For they are not permitted to speak,
 but should be in submission, as the Law also says.



35 If there is anything they desire to learn,
 let them ask their husbands at home.
 For it is shameful for a woman to speak in church.



Or was it from you that the word of God came?
Or are you the only ones it has reached?



<sup>37</sup> If anyone thinks that he is a prophet, or spiritual, he should acknowledge that the things I am writing to you are a command of the Lord. <sup>38</sup> If anyone does not recognize this, he is not recognized.



<sup>39</sup> So, my brothers, earnestly desire to prophesy, and do not forbid speaking in tongues. <sup>40</sup> But all things should be done decently and in order.





### What is clear:

- 1) There is a difference between men and women
- 2) Men's headship role is (at least) sacrificially loving like Jesus
- 3) Paul appreciated women speaking in church



#### **Ephesian 5:25-30**

Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her





## What is likely:

some women were disruptive, and sometimes one gender tried to appear as the other



### What may be:

# (perhaps) gender differences teach us something about God





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