姊妹们在神经纶中的地位

读经: 赛五十四5, 何二19, 林前十一3, 创二18, 20

- 壹 神是宇宙中独一的丈夫,只有祂是头,也只有祂才有独立的生命——何二 19:
 - 一 女人的意义乃是在神面前代表人——赛五十四 5:
 - 1 神是宇宙中独一的男人。不管我们是男性或女性,我们都是祂妻子的一部分。
 - 2 在神面前, 弟兄的地位和姊妹的地位一样。在神的眼中, 姊妹是女性, 弟兄也是女性。
 - 二 神是基督的头,而基督在神作元首之下是各人的头。照样,男人在基督作元首之下是女人的头——林前十一3:
 - 1 四福音启示出基督总是在神作元首之下;然而,祂同时也是众门徒的头。基督绝不向父独立——约五 19,30。
 - 2 结过婚的弟兄们,向着基督有倚靠的生命,但向着他们的妻子则有独立的生命。
 - 三 男人有倚靠和独立两方面,但女人只有倚靠的这一面;不容女人有独立生命的乃是神, 并非男人——创二 18:
 - 1 如果女人过独立的生活,她就成为真正的"男人"。
 - 2 今天许多女人已成了"男人";这是许多分居和离婚的主要原因。

贰 只有真正的"女人"生命对神才有用——约十五5:

- 一 摩西被训练, 过"女人"的生活:
 - 1 摩西四十岁时,过着独立的"男人"生活——出二12。
 - 2 在摩西一生的第二个四十年间,他学习作一个女人——二15,七7。
 - 3 在他的第三个四十年,摩西过的是"女人"的生活——三10,七7,申三四7。
 - 4 惟有一件事例,当他第二次击打磐石的时候,他向神独立。(民二十 7~13。)因着摩西在那个场合的举动像男人,他激怒了主,因此被剥夺进入美地的特权。
- 二 基督的出生乃是藉着马利亚的降服完成的——路一 26~38:
 - 1 像马利亚这样年轻的童女,要接受怀孕的使命并不容易——30~34。
 - 2 马利亚为生出基督,付出很高的代价—付出她的全人——路—38,太—19。
 - 3 我们若要生出基督,就必须付代价。
- 三 人第一次堕落的基本原因是妻子出头——创三 2~3,6;
 - 1 人向神独立就是背叛——创三6,二17。
 - 2 魔鬼很狡猾,他知道女人比男人软弱,就以女人为攻击的目标——彼前三7,创三1。
 - 3 女人必须蒙头, 绝不可出头——林前十一3, 5, 14~15。
 - 4 女人的失败是在于越过男人,自己出头——提前二14。

叁 "一个帮助者作他的配偶"——创二18,20。

出处与参读:正确的姊妹,第一章至第三章

The Position of the Sisters in the Economy of God

Scripture Reading: Isa. 54:5, Hos. 2:19, 1 Cor. 11:3, Gen. 2:18, 20

- I God is the unique husband in the universe, only He is the head and only He has an independent life-Hos. 2:19:
 - A The significance of the woman is that she represents man before God-Isa. 54:5:
 - 1 God is the unique, universal man. Whether we are males or females we are all a part of His wife.
 - 2 Before God, the position of the brothers is the same as that of the sisters. Both sisters and brothers are females in the eyes of God.
 - B God is the head of Christ. Christ, under the headship of God, is the head of every man. Likewise, man, under the headship of Christ, is the head of the woman-1 Cor. 11:3:
 - 1 The four Gospels reveal that Christ was always under the headship of God. Nevertheless, simultaneously He was the head of all His disciples-John 5:19, 30.
 - 2 With respect to Christ, the married brothers have a dependent life, but with respect to their wives, they have an independent life.
 - C With man there are two aspects, both dependence and independence. But with woman there is only dependence. It is God, not man, who has not allowed the woman to have an independent life-Gen. 2:18:
 - 1 If a woman lives an independent life, she becomes a real "male."
 - 2 Today a great many women have become "males." This is the main reason for the many separations and divorces.
- II Only the real "female" being useful to God-John 15:5:
 - A Moses was trained to live a female life:
 - 1 At the age of forty, Moses lived an independent "male" life-Exo. 2:12.
 - 2 In the second forty years of his life, Moses learned to be a female-2:15, 7:7.
 - 3 During his third forty years, Moses lived the life of a female-3:10, 7:7, Deu. 34:7.
 - 4 Only in one instance, when he struck the rock the second time, was he independent of God (Num. 20:7-13). Because Moses acted as a male on that occasion, he offended the Lord and thus was denied the privilege of entering into the good land.
 - B The birth of Christ was carried out through Mary's surrender-Luke 1:26-38:
 - 1 It was not easy for a young virgin like Mary to accept the commission to conceive a child.
 - 2 To bring forth Christ Mary paid a very high price—the cost of her whole being-Mat. 1:19.
 - 3 If we would bring forth Christ, we must pay a price.
 - C The basic cause of man's first fall was the assuming of the headship by the wife-Gen. 3:2-3, 6:
 - 1 Man's independence of God is rebellion-6, 2:17.
 - 2 The Devil was crafty, knowing that the woman was weaker than the man (1 Pet. 3:7), and he chose her as his target-Gen. 3:1.
 - 3 The woman must cover her head and never assume the headship-1 Cor. 11:3, 5, 14-15.
 - 4 The failure of the woman consisted in being over the man and assuming the headship-1 Tim. 2:14.
- III "A helper as his counterpart"-Gen. 2:18, 20.

Further Reading: Life-study of Exodus, Message 4, Life-study of Matthew, Message 5, Life-study of Genesis, Message 18