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Scriptural References and Comment Notes

08-159-17 WOMEN AS MEMBERS OF THE CLERGY

:00-3:10 Terry makes some introductory comments on the topic of women clergy.

3:10 Genesis 5:1-2 God created mankind in his image. The name Adam is not specific to the male but is the name for all of mankind.

5:30 Genesis 3:16 Teaching on the fall and how that placed the man as head of the family unit. Male and female had been created equals. Today's teaching however is not about the family but about the church.

7:05 1 Corinthians 15:45 Reference to Jesus being the second Adam – the life giving spirit.

7:20 Romans 5:15-19 What was lost in Adam (mankind's direct connection with God) was regained in Christ.

Teaching on the election of the Jews and further on the original blessing in the Abrahamic covenant to extend to all people. Reference Genesis 12:2-3.

9:35 Galatians 3:27-29 All who have been baptized into Christ are heirs to the promise – Abraham's blessing. No separation of male and female, Jew or gentile.

10:35 Ephesians 2:11-19 In Christ all distinctions of separation are removed and we become one body. Reference

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back to Galatians 3:28 neither slave nor free. Reference Philemon 8-16. ...There is no male or female....

16:00 Terry teaches on the issue of Paul's admonition to the church, not to allow women to speak. Reference 1 Corinthians 14:33-35. It was Christianity that opened women to full status. Nor should there be any partiality based on economic status. Reference James 2:1-4.

The church has not been great at doing away with distinctions.

21:00 Exodus 19:4-6 God intended for the entire nation of Israel to be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. However, the Israelites did not obey God and so he set in motion another paradigm for the priesthood – Aaronic.

22:40 1 Peter 2:4-10 With the coming of the New Covenant, the priesthood is not abolished, as some suggest, but we all become priests, as was God's original intent. Teaching on the mediatorial priesthood of the OT vs. non-mediatorial of the NT.

25:25 Revelation 1:5-6 Jesus made us a kingdom of priests. Reference Revelation 5:9-10 a kingdom and priests. Nothing whatever to do with male-ness.

27:20 Slight audio break but the content is preserved.

27:45 Revelation 20:6 Teaching on the distinction between the first and second resurrections. Reference Ephesians 2:1, 4-5 God made us alive even though we were dead in our transgressions.

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29:15 Back to Revelation 20:6 ...they shall be priests of God and of Christ.....

29:45 Teaching on the place for the ordained clergy. Set apart – not above – for certain functions within the body of Christ. That role has nothing to do with male or female.

Gen. 5:1 This is the written account of Adam's line.

When God created man, he made him in the likeness of God. 2 He created them male and female and blessed them. And when they were created, he called them "man."

Gen. 3:16 To the woman he said,
"I will greatly increase your pains in childbearing;
with pain you will give birth to children.

Your desire will be for your husband,
and he will rule over you."

1Cor. 15:45 So it is written: "The first man Adam became a living being"; the last Adam, a life-giving spirit.

Rom. 5:15 But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many! 16 Again, the gift of God is not like the result of the one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification. 17 For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Rom. 5:18 Consequently, just as the result of one trespass was condemnation for all men, so also the result of one act of righteousness was justification that brings life for all men. 19 For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

Gen. 12:2 "I will make you into a great nation
and I will bless you;

I will make your name great,
and you will be a blessing.

Gen. 12:3 I will bless those who bless you,
and whoever curses you I will curse;
and all peoples on earth
will be blessed through you.”

Gal. 3:27 for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. 29 If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Eph. 2:11 Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called “uncircumcised” by those who call themselves “the circumcision” (that done in the body by the hands of men)— 12 remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ.

Eph. 2:14 For he himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, 15 by abolishing in his flesh the law with its commandments and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace, 16 and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. 17 He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. 18 For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.

Eph. 2:19 Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God’s people and members of God’s household,

Philem. 8 Therefore, although in Christ I could be bold and order you to do what you ought to do, 9 yet I appeal to you on the basis of love. I then, as Paul—an old man and now also a prisoner of Christ Jesus— 10 I appeal to you for my son Onesimus, who became my son while I was in chains. 11 Formerly he was useless to you, but now he has become useful both to you and to me.

Philem. 12 I am sending him—who is my very heart—back to you. 13 I would have liked to keep him with me so that he could take your place in

helping me while I am in chains for the gospel. 14 But I did not want to do anything without your consent, so that any favor you do will be spontaneous and not forced. 15 Perhaps the reason he was separated from you for a little while was that you might have him back for good— 16 no longer as a slave, but better than a slave, as a dear brother. He is very dear to me but even dearer to you, both as a man and as a brother in the Lord.

1Cor. 14:33 For God is not a God of disorder but of peace.

As in all the congregations of the saints, 34 women should remain silent in the churches. They are not allowed to speak, but must be in submission, as the Law says. 35 If they want to inquire about something, they should ask their own husbands at home; for it is disgraceful for a woman to speak in the church.

James 2:1 My brothers, as believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ, don't show favoritism. 2 Suppose a man comes into your meeting wearing a gold ring and fine clothes, and a poor man in shabby clothes also comes in. 3 If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say, "Here's a good seat for you," but say to the poor man, "You stand there" or "Sit on the floor by my feet," 4 have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts?

Ex. 19:4 'You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. 5 Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, 6 you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites."

1Pet. 2:4 As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him— 5 you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. 6 For in Scripture it says:

"See, I lay a stone in Zion,
a chosen and precious cornerstone,
and the one who trusts in him
will never be put to shame."

7 Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not

believe,

“The stone the builders rejected
has become the capstone,”

8 and,

“A stone that causes men to stumble
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the message—which is also what they were destined for.

1Pet. 2:9 But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Rev. 1:5 and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, 6 and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

Rev. 5:9 And they sang a new song:

“You are worthy to take the scroll
and to open its seals,
because you were slain,
and with your blood you purchased men for God
from every tribe and language and people and nation.

Rev. 5:10 You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth.”

Rev. 20:6 Blessed and holy are those who have part in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years.

Eph. 2:1 As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins,

Eph. 2:4 But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, 5 made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.