

1 CORINTHIANS | BLURRING THE DISTINCTIONS

1 CORINTHIANS 11:2-16

God is the creator of all things. Through His creation He established order. When we depart from His order and design, confusion follows. Paul recognizes that the Corinthian church was departing from God's design and wrote the church to address their issues. Whether it was male and female issues, conducting the Lord's Supper, or using their spiritual gifts, the Corinthian church needed direction to get back on track and eliminate confusion and its destructive consequences. Paul wrote them: "For God is not a God of confusion but of peace . . ." (1 Corinthians 14:33a, ESV) What does this passage teach us about masculinity, femininity, submission, and equality?

1. _____ is godly and is not contrary to _____ (11:2-3).
2. Men and women are _____ and should maintain their _____ (11:4-6).
3. _____ substantiates the distinction between man and woman (11:7-10).
4. Man must never _____ his God-given _____, but instead use it in _____ way while recognize equality with woman (11:11-12).
5. People may dispute the principals of this passage, but the distinct roles of men and women have been established, in _____, _____, and from the _____ and _____. (11:13-16).