



A STUDY OF 1 CORINTHIANS

HOLINESS IN WORSHIP: HEAD COVERINGS

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1 Corinthians 1:11 ^{NIV}

My brothers and sisters, some from **Chloe's household** have informed me that there are quarrels among you.



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1 Corinthians 16:19 ^{NIV}

The churches in the province of Asia send you greetings. **Aquila and Priscilla** greet you warmly in the Lord, and so does the church that meets at their house.



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Romans 16:1-5a ^{NIV}

I commend to you our sister **Phoebe**, a deacon, of the church in Cenchreae. ² I ask you to receive her in the Lord in a way worthy of his people and to give her any help she may need from you, for she has been the benefactor of many people, including me.

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Greet my dear friend Epenetus, who was the first convert to Christ in the province of Asia. ⁶ Greet **Mary**, who worked very hard for you. ⁷ Greet Andronicus and **Junia**, my fellow Jews who have been in prison with me. They are outstanding among the apostles, and they were in Christ before I was. ⁸ Greet Ampliatus, my dear friend in the Lord. ⁹ Greet Urbanus, our co-worker in Christ, and my dear friend Stachys. ¹⁰ Greet Apelles, whose fidelity to Christ has stood the test. Greet those who belong to the household of Aristobulus. ¹¹ Greet Herodion, my fellow Jew. Greet those in the household of Narcissus who are in the Lord. ¹² Greet **Tryphena** and **Tryphosa**, those women who work hard in the Lord. Greet my dear friend **Persis**, another woman who has worked very hard in the Lord. ¹³ Greet Rufus, chosen in the Lord, and **his mother**, who has been a mother to me, too. ¹⁴ Greet Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermes, Patrobas, Hermas and the other brothers and sisters with them. ¹⁵ Greet Philologus, **Julia**, Nereus and **his sister**, and Olympas and all the Lord's people who are with them. ¹⁶ Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the churches of Christ send greetings.



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Luke 8:1-3 ^{NIV}

After this, Jesus traveled about from one town and village to another, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom of God. The Twelve were with him,² and also some women who had been cured of evil spirits and diseases: **Mary** (called Magdalene) from whom seven demons had come out; ³ **Joanna** the wife of Chuza, the manager of Herod's household; **Susanna**; and **many others**. These women were helping to support them out of their own means.



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Luke 24:1-3, 9-11 ^{NIV}

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, **the women** took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. ² They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus...⁹ When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. ¹⁰ It was **Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary** the mother of James, and **the others** with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹ But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense.



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1 Corinthians 11:2 ^{NIV}

I praise you for remembering me in everything and for holding to the traditions just as I passed them on to you.



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1 Corinthians 11:4-7a, 13-14 ^{NIV}

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¹³ Judge for yourselves: Is it proper for a **woman** to pray to God with her head uncovered? ¹⁴ Does not the very nature of things teach you that if a **man** has long hair, it is a disgrace to him...



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1 Corinthians 11:3 ^{NIV}

But I want you to realize that the head of every man is Christ, and the head of the woman is man, and the head of Christ is God.



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1 Corinthians 11:7-9 ^{NIV}

A man ought not to cover his head, since he is the image and glory of God; but woman is the glory of man. ⁸ For man did not come from woman, but woman from man; ⁹ neither was man created for woman, but woman for man.



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Genesis 1:27-28 ^{NIV}

So God created mankind in his own image,
in the image of God he created [him];
male and **female** he created **them**.

²⁸ God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.”



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Genesis 2:18 ^{NIV}

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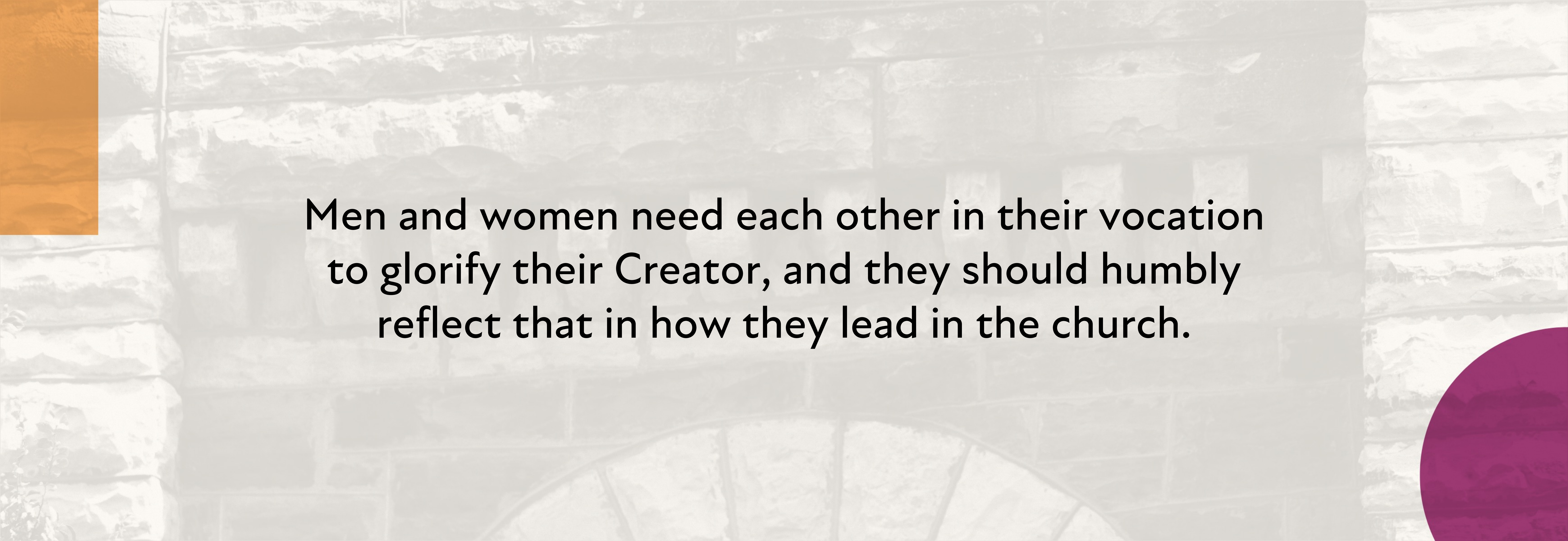
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1 Corinthians 11:10 ^{NIV}

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Colossians 1:15-16, 19-22 ^{NIV}

The **Son is the image** of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶ For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him...¹⁹ For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. ²¹ Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. ²² But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation...



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