Why Women Should Not Be Pastors Of Men:

I first presented this on the Creation Science Evangelism blog [www.cseblogs.com] on January 6th, 2008. Here's the blog entry: [First of all before I get started, this blog is a forum where ideas are discussed & debated, & women are welcome to join in, the Moderator has already made that very clear. Secondly, there are at least a dozen guys here that God has put in the ministry, & if I were to say something Biblically unsound, I'd get nailed for it! Sometimes I get nailed anyway, and I groan & tell the Lord, "No way! I don't want to do this any more." and then He brings to mind what to say, & sends me back out into the ring.. & when He sends me back out into the ring, He usually gives me a joyful spirit to go with it. Thirdly, my goal & what I am currently doing* is developing Creation Science material to teach to other women so that they can articulate it to their realm of influence. There isn't a whole lot of women out there doing this, so I have to come up with my own stuff, because what has been developed in the past [apart from CSE material³] isn't getting them on their feet, because women don't assimilate material the same way guys do... Very few of them are going to pick up a Creation Science Technical Journal & read it, & yet they are the primary educators of society... Until we get them on their feet we are all weak. This is the only place that I know of where I can throw out an idea & watch to see how it lands, because most of the people on this blog are into Creation Science big time. It's hard to find Pastors in the local community who have devoted lots of time to researching Creation Science. They don't have time to do this & shepherd their flock at the same time, so whose brains am I going to pick when I come up with my own stuff? I've tried AIG & they are so swamped with multitudes of people it doesn't work, & ICR is for developing technical minds. This blog is a God send & an answer to prayer!] And one of Dr Hovind's goals is to see others get involved in the Creation Science Ministry, because the teaching of evolution is the biggest hindrance to the Gospel in our generation.

[*I teach a Women's Bible Study, & I also teach Creation Science to women at a Women's Retreat, & I spend most of my free time doing research. I have a husband who has graciously allowed me to do this, & if it wasn't for him I wouldn't have the needed time, & his brains get picked too, & much wisdom has been gained from sharing the same roof for almost 30 years.]

'Ok, now back to why women shouldn't be pastors of men, & I'm going to say some things that most of the guys wouldn't dare say, so here goes:

- 1) To have a women be the pastor of a church is a complete distortion of presenting the picture of Christ as being The Head of His Church, which is the Body of Christ, His Bride. He is The Mighty Warrior, The King of Kings & The LORD of Hosts. To have a women be the pastor of a church is to emasculate this whole concept.
- 2) Women have a hormonal cycle & this affects how they think, & it changes from week to week. Guys don't have that problem. Consider this: If a women is pastoring a church & she has P.M.S., how is that going to affect the congregation? What about pregnancy & menopause? It's insane to put women in the position of pastor. Most guys have no clue how insane it is because they don't struggle with the female hormone issue. And on the other hand, because women understand this, women should be the ones who deal with other women in the church. There is a great need for women to be in the ministry, but not in the area of pastoring men. In the days when the Temple in Jerusalem was standing, there were women who ministered in the Temple. Anna is mentioned in Luke 2:37 "And she never left the Temple, serving night & day with fastings & prayers". I seem to recall that The Archko Volume¹ also mentions one that Mary was related to. There were women who sang in the

Temple. There were women who did some of the cooking & washing for the Temple & many other things. You can research it out in the scriptures. When the priests had to deal with sick women, they had other women, (probably their female relatives) helping them with that aspect of the ministry. Every month the women had to present an offering at the end of their thing that all women go through, & then they had to do a 'Mikvah', which is a monthly baptism by being totally immersed in water. The way this was done was that their hair was unbound & they stepped into the ritual bath with only the clothes that they wore next to their skin on, & they dunked themselves in the water with somebody presiding over the ritual. I seriously doubt that the male priests were the ones presiding over this ritual Mikvah. It would have been their wives or other women that God had singled out for that ministry. In Orthodox Jewish Synagogues women still practice this.

3) If you are familiar with the Love & Respect seminars², they say that guys think like the squares on a waffle...each subject has it's own little compartment & they don't scramble them together. Women on the other hand are 'spaghetti' thinkers...one thought will remind them of something else & then they will go down that rabbit trail, which might wrap around the first thought, or it might go off in another direction, and on & on.... (Yup! I know all about it!). Women have to be multi-focused because they have to deal with husband, children, mother-in-laws, critters, etc, all at the same time, because they minister to all of them at the same time, where as guys have to be single focused so that they can do what is needed to be the provider & the family warrior.

Taking all this into consideration, when a guy is preaching a sermon, everybody can concentrate on what he is saying because he sticks to the same subject. If a women preaches a sermon, when she starts doing her spaghetti thought processing she looses the male audience!

4)Women's clothing & women standing before men preaching. Oh man! Maybe if the guys were all blind... Ok, consider this: When a person is standing up the front talking, all eyes are focused on whoever is doing the speaking. Male or female, it's better if you have a garment of some type that extends past the location of the zipper of your pants because otherwise that will be part of what gets focused on. Large pulpits are good ideas for getting the focus in the right direction, as well as providing a place for Bibles & Lap-Tops, etc.

Women have a desire to look cute/pleasant, no matter how old they are. Guys' eyes look at 'cute/pleasant' no matter how old the guys' eyes are. When a guy gets up & presents a sermon, the guys in the audience aren't going to have the thoughts going through their minds about 'cute' & thus be distracted from what he is saying. It doesn't work that way when women get up to preach. There will always be those kinds of problems.'

Some of you gals are going to say, "Yah, but I know a women who is a pastor & the LORD has used her to be a blessing to me..."

I praise God that He was able to use her in your life during that time when you were hurting, & you needed a spiritual Mom. Regardless of her being a blessing in your life, if you want to mature in your walk with the LORD, you have to come to a point sometime in your life where you get a clear picture of who Christ is, & having a women as a pastor is going to give you a distorted picture of who Christ is.

What about women missionaries? I thank God for them!

Sometimes doors are open that women can get through to present the Gospel that are closed for guys.

Once a New Testament church is established, then as spiritual maturity comes, then the need for male leadership to be raised up becomes apparent.

There's a lot more I could say, but the bottom line is, 'What kind of a picture of Christ is being presented?'

¹The Archko Volume [or, 'The Archeological Writings of the Sanhedrim & Talmuds of the Jews'] Translated by DRS. McIntosh & Twyman 0-658-00958-3

² Love & Respect seminars <u>www.loveandrespect.com</u>

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