

Dig Deeper: Men & Women2- “Positive Complementarianism”

Here’s our second dig deeper for individual/household/lifegroup use. All of the resources for this sermon series can be found on our [website](#) including last week’s dig deeper and the sermon scripts with footnotes! Also feel free to come and chat if you need. And join us on Wed 1st Oct at TFC for Q&A.

Talk 2 (Sunday 21st Sept): “Every Member Ministry”

Men & Women #2 - “Every member ministry”

Men and women are to be involved in...

1) Serving Eph 4:12 Romans 16:1-4

2) Praying Acts 1:14 1 Tim 2:8

3) Speaking 1 Cor 11:5 Col 3:16

4) Teaching Titus 2:3 Acts 18:26



➡ **So how can I get stuck in?**



Lifegroups Session 2 (week commencing 21st Sept), questions to choose from...

- 1. Looking at Eph 4:12-16, how does this passage speak about “every member ministry”? What does that mean for you?**
- 2. Have a skim through Romans 16. How does this chapter expand your view of men’s and women’s ministry? Does it raise any questions?** [do store Q’s for next Wednesday 1st Oct].
- 3. What advice would you give to someone who is not sure where to “get stuck in” at church? Do you anticipate any changes to your formal serving roles at church this term? What informal roles must we also remember? Can you think of ways you can love and serve your fellow lifegroup members better?**
- 4. [If time... Read ahead to 1 Timothy 2:8-15, the passage that we will be looking at next Sunday. Do you think Paul’s comments to women are demeaning to women? Do you think they refer to a local problem in Ephesus or contain timeless universal principles?]**

Resources...

- Click here for the 2024 AMiE paper on **orders in ministry**, including the possibility of the ordination of female deacons. <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1cJwAYSTzuxmRGd65HJ6vu01huliGo1CX/view>
- An article on whether (if we are going to be consistent) women should wear **head coverings** in church today <https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/should-women-wear-head-coverings/>
- For more on the question of whether **Junia** (Romans 16:7) was an Apostle see question #9 of “50 crucial questions” at https://cbmw.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/50Q_contents.pdf

A couple of (expanded) terms...

- “Complementarianism”**- the theological idea that men and women have different and complementary roles in the home and the church.
 - [NB The verb to **complement** is different from the verb to **compliment**. When you are complimentary to someone, you say that their shirt looks nice. You can also do both by *complimenting* them that their shirt looks nice and it *complements* (matches together well with) their hairstyle! For more on the secular usage of both words see Merriam Webster [here](#)].
- “Egalitarianism”** – the theological idea that there are no distinctions between the roles men and women can take in the home and the church.