

Sacred Femininity

It has been said, “If we are not being intentional to combat the philosophy of our culture, then we are being influenced by it.”

Creation

- Genesis 1:27- ‘man’ in this passage is a generic term that includes both male and female- not about competency or being inferior or superior- THAT is a distortion of the enemy
- Male/female distinction- Male and female image bearers
- Genesis 1:28-30-
- Genesis 2:20-25

Fall

Genesis 3:16

Eve stepped out from under God’s intended order

Desire = stretching out after – reach out and take over

Implication: Eve turned away from God to reach for something beyond His created design- She turned from life and reached for knowledge

Redemption

The Church is where God is Glorified

Ephesians 5:21-24

Marriage as a typological pattern

Headship and submission- reciprocal

Image bearers as members of Christ’s body – the people of God – the Bride of Christ

Colossians 1:9-20 – “...*For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible, and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him...*” (verse 16, NKJV)

What distortions have we believed? What are we reaching out for, past God’s divine design to grasp?

“I have to have a husband to be happy.”

“If my circumstances were different I’d be happy.”

“If only....”

Greatest distortion propagated in God’s name – “God wants me to be happy.”

Instead, sacred femininity declares: “Lord – if it pleases you, it pleases me”