"Spiritual Male Headship" (Part 1) Romans 5:12 & 18-19

"The Bible does not have multiple interpretations, it has one. The Bible is harmonious and never contradictory. The Bible must be read in context, not in preference. The Bible must be read honestly, not with an agenda. To read and interpret the Bible this way is not always simplistic, but is necessary to find its one true meaning."

(James White)

"Spiritual male headship is not about dominance, control, or a lack of equality. It is about being so Christ-like that it is evident to everyone that you are the head of the household or the church. It's about laying down your life (humility) for those underneath your spiritual headship. You lead them and disciple them (love, respect, honor God and them) by word and example (Ephesians 5:22-33)." (John Piper)

- 1 Corinthians 15:21-22 & 1 Timothy 2:13-14
 - Death came through Adam's, sin not Eve's. Because Adam had headship, he was responsible for Eve. He was responsible to take care of her spiritually (Ephesians 5:25-28 & Genesis 2:16-17), and he was responsible to protect her and provide for her physically and emotionally (Ephesians 5:28-31; Genesis 2:21-24). He failed in all of this in Eve's transgression (Genesis 3:1-7 & 3:16-17).
- Complementarianism vs Egalitarianism:
 - <u>Complementarianism:</u> Men and women are equal in personhood, that is, they have no difference in worth. Men and women have separate, distinct roles in marriage, parenting, and the church.
 Masculinity and femininity were created by God, beautifully compliment one another, and have distinctions that, when embraced, will lead to the best possible spiritual wellbeing for believers.
 - <u>Egalitarianism:</u> Men and women are equal in worth and are equal in role capabilities as well; there
 are no gender restrictions on what roles men and women can fulfill in the church, home, and
 society. This view holds that Jesus and the New Testament abolished gender-specific
 roles/distinctions.
- The Biblical defense of Complementarianism: Genesis 2:7-24
 - The man being created first points to spiritual headship (1 Timothy 2:12-14; Genesis 2:7).
 - The man being called to work the ground shows a distinction in his design to provide for His wife (2 Thessalonians 3:6-15; Ephesians 5:29; Genesis 2:15 & Genesis 3:17-19).
 - The woman was made for the man that they may accomplish God's distinctive purposes for them together (1 Corinthians 11:3 & 8-9; Titus 1:8-2:2 & 6; Titus 2:3-5; Genesis 2:18 & 24).
 - There is an equality between the man and the woman because the woman was made from the man, yet they still have distinctions.
 - Galatians 3:28 & Acts 17:26
 - Jew & Greek (Romans 3:1-2 & 9:4-5)
 - Slave & Free (Colossians 3:22-4:1)
 - Male & Female (Ephesians 5:22-24 & 25-28)
 - The woman being brought to the man shows authority over the woman and a responsibility for her (Ephesians 5:32; 1 Corinthians 11:2-3; Revelation 19:6-8 & 21:2; Genesis 2:22-25).
 - The woman was named by the man; naming is a mark of authority, and identifies someone/something as a treasured possession, something of great worth, made for a specific purpose, and this all points to the glory of the Creator (Genesis 17:5; Genesis 17:15-16; Genesis 32:28; John 1:42; Genesis 1:5 & 8 & 10).

Worship: The Lion and The Lamb (Leeland)

O Lord My Rock and My Redeemer (Sovereign Grace Music)

Holy, Holy, Holy (Sovereign Grace Music)

Closing Song: It is well-Various artists

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Actual Tithe: August 2	\$4,635	
Actual Tithe: August 9	\$1,108	
Actual Tithe: August 16	\$4,070	
Actual Tithe: August 23	\$3,475	
Actual Tithe: August 30	\$1,495	