'ROLE OF WOMEN'

The woman should be a help for the man.

GENESIS CHAPTER 2

18 ¶ And the LORD God said, *It is* not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him.

The woman was created for the man.

I CORINTHIANS CHAPTER 11

- 8 For the man is not of the woman; but the woman of the man.
- 9 Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man.

The head of the woman is the man.

I CORINTHIANS CHAPTER 11

3 ... and the head of the woman is the man; ...

The head of the wife is the husband.

EPHESIANS CHAPTER 5

23 For the husband is the head of the wife, ...

The head of the man is Christ.

I CORINTHIANS CHAPTER 11

3 But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; ...

The head of the church is Christ.

EPHESIANS CHAPTER 1

22 And hath put all *things* under his feet, and gave him [Christ] *to be* the head over all *things* to the church,

23 Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

EPHESIANS CHAPTER 5

23 ... even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.

COLOSSIANS CHAPTER 1

17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

18 And he [Christ] is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all *things* he might have the preeminence.

The head of Christ is God the Father.

I CORINTHIANS CHAPTER 11

3 ... and the head of Christ is God.

I CHRONICLES CHAPTER 29

- 10 ¶ Wherefore David blessed the LORD before all the congregation: and David said, Blessed *be* thou, LORD God of Israel our father, for ever and ever.
- 11 Thine, O LORD, *is* the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all *that is* in the heaven and in the earth *is thine;* thine *is* the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all.
- 12 Both riches and honour *come* of thee, and thou reignest over all; and in thine hand *is* power and might; and in thine hand *it is* to make great, and to give strength unto all.

Next,

God the Son and God the Father are equal.

JOHN CHAPTER 10

30 I and my Father are one.

But God the Son placed himself in subjection to God the Father.

JOHN CHAPTER 5

- 17 ¶ But Jesus answered them, My Father worketh hitherto, and I work.
- 18 Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill him, because he not only had broken the sabbath, but said also that God was his Father, making himself equal with God.
- 19 Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, Verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise.
- 30 I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.

MATTHEW CHAPTER 26

39 And he went a little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou *wilt*.

MARK CHAPTER 14

36 And he said, Abba, Father, all things *are* possible unto thee; take away this cup from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt.

LUKE CHAPTER 22

42 Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done.

I CORINTHIANS CHAPTER 15

28 And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all.

Likewise, man and woman are equal.

I CORINTHIANS CHAPTER 11

- 11 Nevertheless neither is the man without the woman, neither the woman without the man, in the Lord.
- 12 For as the woman *is* of the man, even so *is* the man also by the woman; but all things of God.

I PETER CHAPTER 3

7 ... and as being heirs together of the grace of life; ...

And the woman is placed in subjection to the man that the providence of God may work.

EPHESIANS CHAPTER 5

- 22 Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.
- 23 For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.
- 24 Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so *let* the wives *be* to their own husbands in every thing.
- 33 Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife *see* that she reverence *her* husband.

COLOSSIANS CHAPTER 3

18 Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord.

TITUS CHAPTER 2

5 [teach the women] *To be* discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.

I PETER CHAPTER 3

LIKEWISE, ye wives, *be* in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives;

5 For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands:

6 Even as Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement.

ISAIAH CHAPTER 3 [a warning]

 $12 \P$ *As for* my people, children *are* their oppressors, and women rule over them. O my people, they which lead thee cause *thee* to err, and destroy the way of thy paths.

A woman cannot teach from the pulpit in church.

I CORINTHIANS CHAPTER 14

34 Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but *they are commanded* to be under obedience, as also saith the law.

35 And if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speak in the church.

I TIMOTHY CHAPTER 2

11 Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.

12 But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.

A woman cannot be a bishop.

I TIMOTHY CHAPTER 3

THIS *is* a true saying, If **a man** desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work.

2 A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, ...

A woman cannot be a deacon.

I TIMOTHY CHAPTER 3

12 Let the deacons be **the husbands** of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well.

'HAIR OF WOMEN'

REVELATION CHAPTER 9

7 And the shapes of the locusts *were* like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads *were* as it were crowns like gold, and their faces *were* as the faces of men.

8 And they had hair as the **hair of women**, and their teeth were as *the teeth* of lions.



John is looking at a scene in his book of THE REVELATION and he describes what he is looking at as having "the hair of women". So, what does the hair of women look like?

A woman's hair must be long.

I CORINTHIANS CHAPTER 11

6 For if the woman be not covered, let her also be shorn: but if it be a shame for a woman to be shorn or shaven, let her be covered.

14 Doth not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him?

15 But if a woman have **long hair**, it is a glory to her: for *her* hair is given her for a covering.

A woman's hair should be long enough to wipe the feet of another person.

LUKE CHAPTER 7

37 And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that *Jesus* sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment,

38 And stood at his feet behind *him* weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe *them* with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed *them* with the ointment.

44 And he turned to the woman, and said unto Simon, Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest me no water for my feet: but she hath washed my feet with tears, and wiped *them* with the hairs of her head.

A woman's hair should be long enough for plaiting.

I PETER CHAPTER 3

3 Whose adorning let it not be that outward *adorning* of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;

4 But *let it be* the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, *even the ornament* of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.

5 For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, ...

II SAMUEL CHAPTER 14

25 ¶ But in all Israel there was none to be so much praised as Absalom for his beauty: from the sole of his foot even to the crown of his head there was no blemish in him.

26 And when he polled his head, (for it was at every year's end that he polled *it:* because *the hair* was heavy on him, therefore he polled it:) he weighed the hair of his head at two hundred shekels after the king's weight.

How long can a man's hair grow in a year, such as with Absalom, before he had to cut it? A woman's hair should be longer than that!

To "poll" is between "shave" and "long" when it comes to hair.

EZEKIEL CHAPTER 44

20 Neither shall they [the priests] shave their heads, nor suffer their locks to grow long; they shall only poll their heads.

Therefore a man should poll his head at least once a year. And a woman should go more than a year for her hair length to be considered long.

'APPAREL OF WOMEN'

A woman's apparel must be modest.

I TIMOTHY CHAPTER 2

9 In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array;

10 But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.



Apparel must cover nakedness from loins to buttocks.

ISAIAH CHAPTER 20

- 2 ... Go and loose the sackcloth from off thy loins [between ribs and hips], and put off thy shoe from thy foot. And he did so, walking naked and barefoot.
- 4 ... naked and barefoot, even with their buttocks uncovered, ...

Furthermore, apparel must cover nakedness from loins to thighs.

EXODUS CHAPTER 28

42 And thou shalt make them linen breeches to cover their nakedness; from the loins even unto the thighs they shall reach:

Furthermore, having a bare leg is considered being naked.

ISAIAH CHAPTER 47

- 2 Take the millstones, and grind meal: uncover thy locks, **make bare the leg, uncover the thigh,** pass over the rivers.
- 3 **Thy nakedness shall be uncovered**, yea, thy shame shall be seen: I will take vengeance, and I will not meet *thee as* a man.

Legs are defined as starting from the feet up.

LEVITICUS CHAPTER 11

21 Yet these may ye eat of every flying creeping thing that goeth upon *all* four, which have **legs above their feet**, to leap withal upon the earth;

REVELATION CHAPTER 1

13 And in the midst of the seven candlesticks *one* like unto the Son of man, **clothed with a garment down** to the foot, ...

A woman's skirt should always be long.

As a Biblical punishment and shaming, a woman's skirt was lifted up high enough to cover her face and reveal her nakedness. Therefore implying a woman's skirt was always long enough (to her heels) to be able to be lifted up to her face.

JEREMIAH CHAPTER 13

- 21 What wilt thou say when he shall punish thee? ...
- 22 ¶ And if thou say in thine heart, Wherefore come these things upon me? For the greatness of thine iniquity are thy skirts discovered, *and* thy heels made bare.
- 26 Therefore will I discover thy skirts upon thy face, that thy shame may appear.

NAHUM CHAPTER 3

5 Behold, I *am* against thee, saith the LORD of hosts; and I will discover thy skirts upon thy face, and I will shew the nations thy nakedness, and the kingdoms thy shame.

- 'Can women wear pants?'
- ¶ In the first instance, no. The Biblical punishment of lifting skirts up to the face simply assumes all women wear skirts. Pants can cover the leg but pants cannot be lifted up.

DEUTERONOMY CHAPTER 22

- 5 ¶ The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so *are* abominaton unto the LORD thy God.
- ¶ In the second instance, no. In order for the Biblical commandment to women not to wear a man's clothing to be a valid commandment, there must be some item of clothing in THE HOLY BIBLE that is seperated for use only by men. That item of clothing is breeches (pants). It is mentioned five times and each time in relation to being worn by men.

EXODUS CHAPTER 28

- 42 And thou shalt make them linen **breeches** to cover their nakedness; from the loins even unto the thighs they shall reach:
- 43 And they shall be **upon Aaron**, **and upon his sons**, when they come in unto the tabernacle of the congregation, or when they come near unto the altar to minister in the holy *place*; that they bear not iniquity, and die: *it shall be* a statute for ever unto him and his seed after him.

EXODUS CHAPTER 39

- 27 ¶ And they made coats of fine linen of woven work for Aaron, and for his sons,
- 28 And a mitre *of* fine linen, and goodly bonnets *of* fine linen, and linen **breeches** *of* fine twined linen, LEVITICUS CHAPTER 6
- 9 Command Aaron and his sons, saying, This *is* the law of the burnt offering: It *is* the burnt offering, because of the burning upon the altar all night unto the morning, and the fire of the altar shall be burning in it.
- 10 And the priest shall put on his linen garment, and **his** linen **breeches** shall he put upon his flesh, and take up the ashes which the fire hath consumed with the burnt offering on the altar, and he shall put them beside the altar.

LEVITICUS CHAPTER 16

4 He shall put on the holy linen coat, and **he shall have** the linen **breeches** upon his flesh, and shall be girded with a linen girdle, and with the linen mitre shall he be attired: these *are* holy garments; therefore shall he wash his flesh in water, and *so* put them on.

EZEKIEL CHAPTER 44

- 15 ¶ But the priests the Levites, the **sons** of Zadok, that kept the charge of my sanctuary when the children of Israel went astray from me, they shall come near to me to minister unto me, and they shall stand before me to offer unto me the fat and the blood, saith the Lord GOD:
- 18 They shall have linen bonnets upon their heads, and shall have linen **breeches** upon their loins; they shall not gird *themselves* with any thing that causeth sweat.
- ¶ In the third instance, no. Pants can very quickly become defined as slim-fit jeans which can very quickly become defined as skin-tight leggings which practically do nothing to cover the female form. Whereas a skirt or dress of the correct modest length is free-flowing material compassing and covering the female form. The use of pants cannot satisfy all the scriptural requirements of woman's apparel.

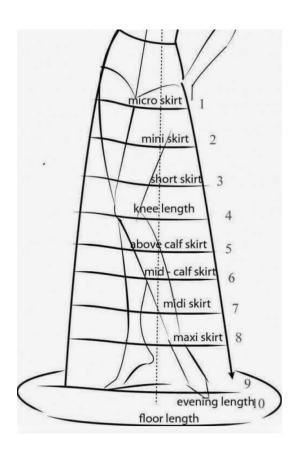
AS A FINAL NOTE, all of the above scripture references to apparel relate to the bottom half of her body. Is there any reference to covering the top half of a woman's body? Well, we can go back to the hair of women and add that a woman's hair should be long enough to cover her breast area which is consistent with the other scriptures. Hair grown long to cover her breasts means no longer being naked and bare. EZEKIEL CHAPTER 16

7 ... *thy* breasts are fashioned, and thine hair is grown, whereas thou *wast* naked and bare. ISAIAH CHAPTER 47

2 Take the millstones, and grind meal: **uncover thy locks**, make bare the leg, uncover the thigh, pass over the rivers.

3 **Thy nakedness shall be uncovered**, yea, thy shame shall be seen: ...





' WHY teach this?'

BECAUSE if all a woman has to go on is that a woman's hair should be long without a quantitative measurement, then in order to please the Lord and to be sure her hair is considered long enough for her glory and for her covering, a woman will want to never cut or poll her hair. With this teaching, now she knows what is the minimum length and what the limit can be.

If you are looking for a woman in a church who is seeking to obey the Lord and willing to be in subjection then her hair length will be an obvious external indicator.