

## 1 Timothy 2:8-15

### Gender Specific Propriety

*To this end ...*

#### I. Christian Men

A. Pure

B. Prayerful

C. Peacemakers

#### II. Christian Women

A. Attractive

B. Active

C. Apt to Learn

*... salvation.*

### **Children, Listen ...**

1. Which does God like better?

a. Men and boys

b. Women and girls

c. That's a silly question! He loves both in Christ.

2. What are some things both male and female Christians do?

3. Are men, woman and children all an important part of the ministry of the church?

4. What kind of men should be leaders (pastors, elders, deacons) in God's church be?

## CPC PCA A PC Church

Covenant must strive to be a PC church. Now before all ya'll get up in arms, this does not refer to the common parlance "Politically Correct." Our passage, Paul, and God's Word would hardly be accused of that! The focus of Scripture is to teach us what glorifies God, his intention for mankind, and related to His people in particular, how He is to be honored in His Church. Our passage addresses those things placing special emphasis on some aspects of the attitudes, decorum, and practices of members of the body of Christ. This PC is the "Proper Conduct," of men and women respectively in the worship and work of the church. Paul may well be addressing failures specific to the congregations at Ephesus, but in doing so, he also touches on universal principles of conduct for the church. So often passage like this are seen as negative and even offensive, but a fuller understanding of what is behind it reveals the good and positive design God has for the precious people of His church. May God grant us the grace, wisdom and resolve to do all things decently and in order here in our church, exercising proper conduct according to His gracious design.