

## “What’s A Woman to Do?”

Text – 1 Timothy 2:8-15

Series – God’s Blueprint for His Church

- A. Prayer and worship is the subject of 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy 2.
- B. Paul addressed the role and conduct of women in the church in 1 Timothy 2:9-15.

### I. The Adorning and Decorum of Women (2:9-10)

- A. Modest Dress (2:9)
  - 1. Paul teaches dress matters.
  - 2. Women are to dress in a manner becoming of the LORD and worship. (2:9a)
  - 3. Women are to avoid excesses in adornment that put appearances before character (2:9c)
- B. Modeling Godly Character (2:10)

### II. The Attitude and Demeanor of Women (2:11-12)

- A. Women are to bear a quiet, gentle, submissive spirit in the church. (2:11)

1 Corinthians 14:35 – “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.”
- B. Restrictions regarding the woman’s role in public worship (2:12)
  - 1. A woman is not to teach in the congregation. (2:12a)
  - 2. A woman is not “to usurp authority over the man”. (2:12b)
  - 3. A woman is “to be in silence” in the congregation. (2:12b)
- C. Vindication of restrictions on women (2:13-14)
  - 1. The order of Creation (2:13)
  - 2. The story of the Fall (2:14)

### Conclusion - The influence of womanhood restored (2:16)

- A. Salvation restores a woman’s godly influence when she assumes her natural role as wife and mother. (2:16)

Ephesians 2:8-9 – “For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God: <sup>9</sup> Not of works, lest any man should boast.”
- B. A woman’s dignity and honor as a woman, wife, and mother are restored when she:
  - 1. Abides and lives out her “faith” in Christ (2:16)
  - 2. Abides in “charity” (2:16)
  - 3. Abides in “holiness with sobriety” (2:16)