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"BUT HE THAT SHALL ENDURE UNTO THE END, THE SAME SHALL
BE SAVED" (MTH. 24:13)

Suffering that Woman, Jezebel

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It never ceases to amaze me at the number of women "pastors" I see in the so called Church today. I put the word "pastor" in quotes following the word "women" intentionally because in reality a woman is a "pastor" in title only. I suppose she is a pastor in the hearts of the deceived but just because people think something to be a certain way does not make it so. If what you believe or "feel" is not in line with the Word of God then you are wrong. It's just really that simple. Concerning the issue at hand, God certainly has never and will never place a woman in the position of pastor in the Body of Christ. Let me state this again: there is no such thing as a God-called woman pastor. How do I know this? The Holy Scriptures clearly bear this out and anybody who has a heart for truth will see this elementary teaching as contained in the Word of God. Since God has not, does not, and will never call a woman to be a pastor in the Body of Christ, the fact that women "pastors" exist then only means that those women who have risen up to take this position have NOT heard from God but rather their own spirits at best and Satan himself at worst. These Jezebels, and that's what a woman "pastor" is 100% of the time, a Jezebel, have taken a position God has NOT put them in and they teach and seduce God's people into all sorts of error and sin. When asked to use the Bible to defend

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such a position it is only EVER accomplished with the greatest of wrangling of scripture, conjecture, morbid twisting, sleight of hand, and math tricks. In this issue of *Unto the End* we will look at this subject in depth and, by God's grace thoroughly demonstrate that there are no true women pastors. I pray that God gives you eyes to see and a heart to understand. Amen and Amen. Let us now turn to the Scriptures:

"Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection. But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence. For Adam was first formed, then Eve. And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression." 1Ti. 2:11-14.

Folks, it just doesn't get any clearer than this! And despite the clarity, the directness, the authority of the writer, the plain English, we still see Jezebel women pastors in the Church?! Lord have mercy! Let's look at this passage in more detail. The woman is clearly commanded to learn in silence and to be in subjection. Pastors preach and teach therefore being silent is NOT a quality of a pastor. Further, the word subjection is used. Subjection means being under the authority of, under the rule of, subordinate to etc. Can a woman who is a pastor do this? No! When a woman is a pastor over the Body of Christ then this means men will be in

subjection to her. But this says the WOMAN is to be in subjection. Let's continue. Paul then goes on to say that he does NOT allow a woman to teach the man or to be in authority over the man. Just in case you didn't catch his drift with the opening line he states it even clearer here! Since woman CANNOT teach men or be in authority over men in the Body of Christ it is IMPOSSIBLE for a woman to take the position of pastor. Pastors are in a position of authority and they preach and teach the body of Christ. Pretty hard to do that AND keep silence in subjection isn't it? Now, I now that some Jezebel is reading this right now and bristling mad and is declaring that Paul was a chauvinist or that "times have changed" etc. For the record those are the two biggest arguments against this passage. Let's take them one by one. As for Paul being chauvinist, that's extremely weak. He was an apostle, a teacher, a preacher. What he declared, he heard directly from God. If you don't believe that and want to be able to say that "certain" things he said were NOT from God then why even bother reading ANY of his letters. If you conceded that certain things that are contained in the Bible are not from God but are the thoughts of men then you could read the Bible and decide not to do ANY certain part of it using this as your excuse. No, the Word of God is perfect and will stand forever (Mth. 24:35). Using the "Paul is a chauvinist" argument is being intellectually dishonest and calling God a liar at the same time. If that is your stance, please do God a favor and go do something else with your time you liar. Concerning the second point- that this WAS true at one time, but does not apply today. First of all, I again could use the prior argument for ANYTHING in the Bible. Adultery? Meh, that was for then. It's ok today! Worshipping idols? Ha, that's not for today!!! Get the point? Further, notice that in verses 13-14 Paul says why GOD TOLD HIM TO TELL THE CHURCH that woman cannot teach or be in authority over men; that Eve was deceived. This alone shows this principle transcends time. This is so simple. I thank God for the simplicity of the gospel of truth. Amen.

“Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law.” 1Cor. 14:34.

Paul once again says the same thing, only this time it was to the brothers and sisters in Corinth. Notice the wording he uses: women keep silence IN the churches. This was in the midst of passages about preaching and teaching among the body so the silence and not speaking, in context, is concerning preaching and teaching in the Church. Notice he also says COMMANDED to be in obedience and makes reference that the law also says the same. And even looking at the Old Testament, there were no woman priests among God's people Israel in that day. Amen. Clearly Paul is consistent with his message to both the Corinthians and also to Timothy. And of course, since the Bible is for Christians, it is for us today as well.

There are passages that mention when woman rise up and take control and authority over God's people and in every instance the results are not good. Let's look at a few examples:

“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.” Isa. 3:12.

Notice here that, transcending time once again, in the time of Isaiah God told Isaiah to declare that those that are leading Israel (the women and children) were causing God's people to error and as a result destroying their way. Why? Because they had taken a position GOD DID NOT PUT THEM

IN. The same is still true today:

“Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.” Rev. 2:20.

This is Jesus' letter to the church in Thyatira. Notice a woman had taken a position of authority in the Body of Christ and was TEACHING God's servants to sin. Notice she CALLED HERSELF a prophetess, not that God had called her a prophetess. Just like when a woman CALLS herself a pastor, something God DID NOT do. So, is God chauvinist too? Maybe it was John, the one who wrote these things down? No, it has nothing to do with chauvinism. It has everything to do with the fact God has set things up according to HIS pleasure and will. Our job to conform to His will. There are many things we would like to do in the flesh or in the natural that God says not to do. This is but one of them. I realize there are woman out there that mean well, that THINK God told them to be a pastor. But since this CLEARLY contradicts what we have read so far today, the answer is simple: God did NOT call you to be a pastor if you are a woman. Otherwise we have contradiction and God is a liar. But let God be true and every man a liar. It is impossible for God to lie. Amen! I've heard some say, "Well the woman pastor preaches salvation through Christ therefore it can't be that bad." Yes, that may be true. To that I answer simply: Right message, wrong vessel. Amen. Anytime a person puts himself or herself in a position in the Body of Christ God did NOT put him/her in there will be error and confusion. Woman can be evangelists, prophetesses, prayer warriors, can have the gifts of healing, giving, tongues etc. The one thing a woman cannot do, that God will NEVER call her to do is to teach men and to take position of authority over men in the Church. Now, older women are told to teach the YOUNGER women in the Body certain things as found in Titus 2:3-5 for sure. But women are NOT to teach or take authority (pastors/teacher) over the Body of Christ. It's just how God set it up. You can either be mad and do your own will or you can say, "Ok Lord, that's what you want, then that's what I will do". Not many people today do the latter. But we will be judged according to our works (Rev. 2:23) and judgment must begin in the House of God (the Church) and if the righteous scarcely be saved where shall the ungodly and sinner appear (1Pe. 4:17-18)? The whole duty of man is to fear God and keep His word (Ecc12:13). And again, Jesus said, not MY will but THY will be done (Mth.6:10). This must also be our testimony as we have been called to be living sacrifices (Ro. 12:1-2) and acceptable via these sacrifices to God. After all, as a born again believer washed in His blood, you don't belong to yourself anymore, you have been purchased (1Cor. 6:20, 7:23) and He who purchased you expects you to now do it His way. Concerning the issue at hand, His way here is that women do NOT take position of authority over men in the Body NOR teach men in the Body. Amen and Amen.

Now, I've seen some really horrible "examples" in scripture that supposedly show or say that there were woman pastors in the Holy Bible. I want to list some of these now with comments.

Phebe: Some say Phebe was a deaconess: Well, first of all the word deaconess is NOT found in the Bible, anywhere. Sorry. All references to deacons were men. Why? The answer is because men are to be in authority positions in the Body of Christ. Further, a deacon does not necessarily mean pastor. Deacons (and Bishops) are positions in the church appointed by men (1Ti.3) not a calling of God, not a gift. Pastor/Teachers are gifts given by God so they are not even the same thing as

Deacon/Bishop. But again, the word deaconess is not found in the Bible. All it says is that Phebe was a servant (ok) and succourer of many. Succourer means helper. Women are helper for men as found in Genesis. Phebe was a faithful servant of Jesus Christ and a helper of men and women in the Body. Nothing more nothing less, case closed (1Ti. 3:8-13, Rom. 16:1).

Priscilla: Some say she was a pastor with her husband Aquila. This one is a laugh. First of all scripture doesn't say anywhere that she was a pastor in any way shape or form! In fact it doesn't say that Aquila was either for that matter. To say otherwise is conjecture and twisting of scripture. All it does say is that this husband and wife were helpers of Paul and that they had a church in their house. This means believers came to their house for fellowship and worship. This does not in itself mean that either of them including the MAN was a pastor. It means their house was big enough to hold all the believers, was in a convenient location for the believers, etc. (Ac. 18:1-2, 18:18, 18:26, Ro. 16:3, 1Cor. 16:19, 2Ti. 4:19).

Euodias/Syntyche: and others mentioned in Phil. 4:1-3: Women who were yoke-fellow and labored with Paul. Some say this means they were pastors. Ha, that's good! I'm not sure they were even women; it doesn't say one way or the other but let's say they were. All it says is that Paul told them to be of the same mind. Apparently they weren't and Paul heard of it and told them to be. Ok, so? He does mention that some of the sisters were "fellow laborers"...ok yes they are. So? They labored for the gospel. It doesn't say they were pastors and teachers. (Phi. 4:1-3).

Andronicus/Junia: Some say they were apostles: All it DOES say is that they were of note among the apostles. In other words the Apostles knew of them (for their labor in the Lord I imagine or faith or etc.). It does NOT say they WERE apostles. Anyone who reads that it says they were "of note among the apostles" and thinks this means they were apostles needs to take a remedial reading comprehension class and might I also suggest English as Second language. Both can be obtained at a local community college or perhaps an after school program in your area high school. Amen (Ro. 16:7).

As you can see, if you read the passages I listed for each, NOWHERE EVER does it say any of these women were pastors or teachers or apostles in the Body of Christ. It takes BAD wrangling of scripture to say otherwise and if you do, you also have a contradiction with what Paul wrote concerning women in the Body of Christ. Amen.

And finally....

Deborah a Judge in Israel: Ah Deborah, the one the Jezebels all hang their collective hats on! The ace in the hole, the haymaker, the knock-out punch!! Well, not so fast you liars. I will say, that in the case of Deborah, at least with her it actually does say she was a judge! No twisting and lying needed here! If you take time to read about Deborah, yes she was a judge but she clearly was under the authority of Barak. Further, the Bible makes mention that she was a "mother of Israel" (Jud.5:7). Is the mother the head of the house or is it the father? Clearly the man, just like in the Body of Christ, is the head of the home. Paul (I know, what a chauvinist!) clearly says in Ephesians that the woman is to be in subjection to the man in marriage in ALL Things (Eph. 5:22). Oh, and by

the way, how can a married woman pastor, who is supposed to be in subjection to her husband in **ALL Things** then turn around and be in authority over the husband in the Church? Praise the Lord! She couldn't do it, it would be impossible. I thank God for the truth and the simplicity and consistency of the truth! Amen.

In conclusion we have seen that God does not call a woman to be a pastor or teacher in the Body of Christ ever. Rather, He commands woman to be in silence and subjection in the Church of Jesus Christ. We have also seen that when women have risen up to positions of authority over God's people in the past, it was never a good thing. Why? Because they put THEMSELVES in a position God DID NOT put them in. This will be a recipe for disaster every time. We have also seen the so called passages that show woman pastors, teachers, and apostles and have seen in each instance it NEVER EVER SAYS THIS and only through horrible wrestling of scripture can one come up with this bunk. Dear Christian, God does have callings and gifts for every believer, man and woman. It is important that each of us is operating where God called us. He is NOT going to call us to be something that would contradict His Word. Therefore there are no God-called woman pastors/teachers in the Body of Christ. If you are sitting in a congregation that has a woman pastor you are under delusion and the spirit of Jezebel. Get out now! Let's see what happens to those that don't:

“Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols. And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not. Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds.” Rev. 2:20-22.

All woman pastors are jezebels following that are listening to their own spirit rather than the Spirit of God. God has not, does not, and will not call a woman to be a pastor or teacher in the Body of Christ. Thus saith the Lord. Amen and Amen.

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