FEMINIST VERSUS A BIBLICAL WORLD-VIEW

Feminism has been carefully programmed into the hearts and minds of most men and women in this country today. Sadly, this is not just limited to the world, but is also true in the church.

I thought it would behoove us to take a closer look at just what the mainline feminist advice is for our young women and compare these items to what scripture instructs for the same.

I came up with a list of eleven main points from the feminist camp. The first seven came directly from Gloria Steinem, who is one of the bedrocks of modern feminism. She began her proselytizing in the 1960s. The final four came from various feminist sources.

Feminist Advice for Young Women

- 1. Destigmatize abortion, you may need it. (Don't let anything like love for your child stand in the way.)
- 2. Don't let religious or philosophical arguments get in your way. (Note: This is philosophical.)
- 3. Just listen to yourselves. (For when your foolish heart is darkened in sinful wickedness, cover your ears so you won't hear correction, thus guaranteeing your fate in Hell.)
- 4. Increase your sense of high self-esteem. Source

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of empowerment. (Steinem said, "Greek culture taught self-love was the highest ideal and all other loves proceeded from this self-love.) - Note this too is philosophical and founded on absolute pride.

- 5. Recognize your "masculine" side along with your "feminine" side. (Note: This is called being androgenous or an hermaphrodite. Scary stuff!)
- 6. Get rid of your "gender mask". "Gender roles" are at the heart of many societal problems. (In England now this is even being outlawed from the public media. Such stereotyping may endanger developing minds.)
- 7. If you're not a feminist, you're looking at the world with one eye open, open both eyes. (They always claim to be enlightened, of course looking at number 3, by their own inner wisdom.)
- 8. Break away from living by the age-old feminine mold, look in the mirror and say to yourself, "I am sexy, I am attractive, I am smart, I am intelligent, I am powerful." (Compare the temptation of Eve in Eden. This is also like Satan's "I wills" - Isaiah 14:12-15.)
- 9. The world is trying to kill you by stealing your voice, kill it back. (Surely this is hate speech! Also, shouldn't this serve like an alarm bell that the Apostle Paul's warning against women speaking in the

church has a real important reason.)

- 10. You're the best thing in every room. (Pride at its sinful height. This statement is the very opposite of humility. Which at last reckoning was still considered a virtue.)
- 11. Marriage curtails women's freedoms. (Obligations tend to have that effect for both men and women.)

(Note: Feminists love to swear though I will not stoop to their level to include their foul language. Examples for the young women? Rather, consider it a warning!)

As I looked over this list, it was striking how it hit at the heart of every virtue of a godly woman's character.

Following is a number of references, though by no means all, that shed Biblical light on the assaults leveled against virtue found in the feminist camp.

With each scripture, I have made reference back to the lies of the feminist teaching in a numerical fashion. These verses address the specific lies found at each number with the Biblical truth:

SCRIPTURE RESPONSES

3 The aged women likewise, that *they be* in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things; 4 That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, 5 *To be* discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.

Titus 2:3-5

(verse 4 addresses #s 1, 3, 4, 10, 11; verse 5 addresses #s 2, 5, 6, 11)

This passage gives a clear teaching that women, (everyone for that matter) need to do better than just listening to ourselves. Titus strikes down #1 in verse 4 for if we love our children (scripture calls the unborn child, just that . . . a child), we won't kill them through abortion. The "being sober" of verse 4 also will have a direct impact on #4 and #10. "Love their husbands" will also affect #11.

Verse 5 directly brings religion into it big time, for how a woman behaves in regards to this issue reflects upon the Bible itself, thus nailing #2. This verse goes big in addressing the issues of #5 and #6 calling for the woman "to be descreet", which directly relates to her femininity and the gender roles. Finally, it does teach the aspect of a wife "obeying" her husband. Not very #11 friendly.

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3 For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, *and* hating one another.

Titus 3:3

(verse 3 addresses #9) Here Titus reflects on the basic problem both men and women were redeemed from, our sinful nature. In our fallen state – we were filled with hate. Such hate is what we see in #9.

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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. 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. 13 For Adam was first formed, then Eve. 14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression. 15 Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.

1 Timothy 2:9-15 (verses 11-15 address #9; verse 15 specifically addresses #11)

Verses 11-15 not only list the restriction on women in this world but give a quick reason as to the foundation being connected to the fall. This is important to note, because feminists attack this saying it was because of the particular culture of Paul's day, but the Holy Spirit moved Paul to correct that in his writing to Timothy. Hence, these verses address #9.

Verse 15 specifically addresses #11. The raising of a godly, influential seed for good is possible for God-fearing mothers. The institution of marriage is the means by which the "curtailed" woman is able to have a potentially world-changing effect for good.

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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.

1 Corinthians 14:34-35 (verses 34-35 addresses #s 5, 9) These verses help debunk the thoughts of #5. This shows a clear distinction to be maintained between the masculine and feminine genders. #9 is also addressed in these verses. We find here, though, it is more than just the world that calls for silence. It is the church of God, under apostolic command. Feminists however want to shout down any opposition, even calling inspired apostles of the church of Christ – chauvinists.

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1 Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ. 2 Now I praise you, brethren, that ye remember me in all things, and keep the ordinances, as I delivered them to you. 3 But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ *is* God. 4 Every man praying or prophesying, having his head covered, dishonoureth his head. 5 But every woman that prayeth or prophesieth with her head uncovered dishonoureth her head: for that is even all one as if she were shaven. 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. 7 For a man indeed ought not to cover *his* head, forasmuch as he is the image and glory of God: but the woman is the glory of the man. 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. 10 For this cause ought the woman to have power on her head because of the angels. 11 Nevertheless neither is the man without the woman, neither the woman without the man, in the Lord.

1 Corinthians 11:1-11

(verses 1-11 addresses #s 2, 5, 6) Here we go with that offensive "religious argument" seen in #2. The Apostle Paul gave a detailed explanation of the FACTS feminists just want to cover their ears and go, "blah, blah, blah, blah... I can't hear you!" about. Such brazen disregard for God's order will not fly in their defence in the day of God's judgment.

#5 is again debunked with such a passage as this and #6 is flipped as scripture would indicate that societal problems come from ignoring God's established order. I.e. not sticking to the proper gender roles brings many societal problems.

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3 Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said unto the woman. Yea. hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? 2 And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: 3 But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. 4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: 5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. 6 And when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

Genesis 3:1-6

(verses 1-6 –addresses #s 7, 8) This passage reflects the beginning of the serpent's hiss seen in #7 and #8. You see, you have to have your eyes opened, so said the serpent in verse 5. Then we see the promises of all you will be... "you will be wise, you will be smart and with these, you will be as God, powerful." Techniques never change for human nature never changes, but let these facts help steer you to recognize the devil's talk.

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15 Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. 17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

1 John 2:15-17

(verses 15-17 addresses #s 8, 10) These verses also follow upon the serpent's discourse with Eve. These show the bait Satan uses to capture the simple. Here #8 is expanded in the nature of its declaration and why such a self declaration of glory is attractive to Hell-bound women feminists. This also couples in shining light on #10 with its lust and pride.

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13 Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom. 14 But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. 15 This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. 16 For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. 17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. 18 And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

James 3:13-18

(verses 13-18 addresses #s 2, 3, 7, 8, 9)

When we apply this passage in James to the feminist teaching, it shows the source of this devil's doctrine and calling black white and white black. This addresses #2 for as seen in verse 15, if you abandon God's religion, it is "earthly, sensual and devilish". With #3 screaming, "NO, NO, NO DON'T LISTEN TO ANYONE ELSE, THAT INCLUDES GOD."

We also see the insults of #7 in name calling. That is always one of their favorite tactics. James sounds the warning of the true source of their "enlightenment".

The wisdom from above has the direct opposite characteristics of the decree of #8.

Though this passage doesn't address women speaking, it does address the heart and character which is the opposite of that seen in #9.

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10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up. James 4:10

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(verse 10 addresses #10) This little verse, just a little further from the last passage, gives the opposite counsel of #10. #10 calls for pride and God's word for humility. Exact opposites.

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1 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; 2 While they behold your chaste conversation *coupled* with fear. 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, 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.

1 Peter 3:1-6

(verses 1-6 addresses #s 2-11) I saved this passage for last. It is so complete in its coverage for women that it covers all the numbers from #2 through #11, at some point.

It covers the heart of true religion in verse 4 with, "in the sight of God of great price." thus addressing #2.

The whole description turns #3 upside down, especially in Sara calling her husband, Abraham, "lord" which means she listens to him to obey him.

We can see this passage is certainly not teaching women to work on their self-esteem and personal empowerment as #4 calls for.

#5 and #6 are demolished with this passage.

#7 is calling women who have no desire to be "holy women". For those who desire to be holy, we find this passage giving instruction of the path of true light and life.

#8 calls women back to the ageold feminine mold, to the extent it even says, "after this manner in the old time the holy women". This passage calls for women to embrace that age-old example of the past.

#9 is hit right from verse 1 with the call of being in subjection so that you might win your man through godly example. It is that humility of being in subjection that he might see something marvelous and thus turn to it. Verse 1 even refers to "without the word be won." Her voluntary silence is what might work the power of God.

#10 is laughable if it wasn't so tragically followed. It sounds ludicrous, but the feminists

seem unaware of it. From what we have read of Sara in Genesis, apparently she was so beautiful but conducted herself in humility, calling Abraham, "lord". Even when the three heavenly visitors stopped by, you might have noticed Sara stood behind them in the tent doorway so that one of the visitors asked where Sara was. She wasn't so full of herself she was parading around next to Abraham. She remained hidden when she might easily have stood with him under the shade of that tree.

The last of the list is #11. The description of this passage speaks of that "meek" and "quiet spirit" of verse 4. The Greek for "meek" here is "mild - by implication, humble" and the "quiet" is "still" and "spirit" is "pneuma in Greek, breath". This ornament of the mild, humble and still breath. This description is paralleled in verse 6 showing the opposite of being "not afraid (phobeo) with any amazement". #11 spoke of marriage curtailing women's freedoms. The promise, though, seems to be the provision to be a woman who knows peace in proper humility. Something the true feminist can never know. She may have her freedom unmarried, but will never know that still breath.

CONSIDER HOW YOU'RE **INFLUENCED**

One of my concerns is that many who are not on the rabid feminist left are not yet fully on the Biblical right. They are floating somewhere in between on many issues, and

unaware how their views have been nudged by constant feminist propaganda today. It comes at us from every side. Many times directly from church leaders. So much so, that many church leaders have been the most vehement promoters of feminism!

I found a group of Mennonite women whose group's purpose is statedly to dismantle the patriarchal control in the Mennonite church.

People talk of "hate speech" and I can tell you some of the most violent "hate speech" I have seen comes from the feminists against men. Such disgusting talk has helped drive many men into the camp of what they call "MGTOW" (Men Going Their Own Wav).

Consider the following headline on developing situations in Sweden, Swedish Music Festival Bans Men Following Sexual Assaults at *Recent Concerts - Event organizers* said new rules will remain 'until all men learn how to behave themselves'.

Add to this the fact that Sweden boasts itself to be the world's "first feminist government". Seeing the conditions developing in Sweden is just a sample of the hateful breach that feminism brings between men and women.

It is my hope that the list of feminist values will help you to quickly recognize this poisonous teaching and see such for what it is. The heart of Satan manifest for destroying mankind and womankind. Hopefully you will examine the path you have been walking in, or just tolerating, in your fellowship and realize this is nothing to just idly put up with. Finally, I pray you would consider to be a warrior like the Apostle Paul who pulled no punches in saving such was in the category of that which he would, "suffer not".



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