

WOMEN BE SILENT IN THE SYNAGOGUE

1Cor. 14:34-35 ***Let the women keep silent in the churches; for they are not permitted to speak, but let them subject themselves, just as the Law also says. 35 And if they desire to learn anything, let them ask their own husbands at home; for it is improper for a woman to speak in church.***“ What most don't understand about this verse is that in days of old, and even in many synagogues today, the men and women were separated. There was a partition between them in the synagogue. So if a woman had a question about what was being taught she was supposed to keep quiet during the fellowship and ask her husband to explain it when they got out of the synagogue. If she tried to ask him a question during fellowship across the partition, obviously it would disrupt the meeting. This verse is not saying women are to be still at all times.

This verse is tied together with Num. 30:1-15 which tells us about the husbands authority over his family. This verse is relating to a woman speaking against the authority of her husband, which is an embarrassment to the husband. This is simply contrary to the commandments of Yah. An overwhelming need that all fathers and husbands has is the need for respect. That need for respect from his family members is a core issue in the foundation of a families existence. If a man is not respected by his family members it affects the the depths of his soul. Depending how great the disrespect is, how public it is made, etc. it can be devastating to a mans soul. It can literally tare him apart, seer him for the rest of his life. That disrespect is considered equivalent to any form of disrespect that you can come up with against a wife or the children. It is his judgment as to what he thinks is best for his family. If he misuses his authority it doesn't change the fact that he does have this authority. If he misuses that authority he becomes accountable to Yah. We must trust in Yah and the authority He has given. To rebel against that authority is to rebel against Yah Himself. We need in our society, husbands and fathers who will stand up and take on the responsibilities for our families. The responsibility of the world begins right at home, at the supper table. If all is well at home, all will be well when we go out into the world and deal with the injustice all around us.

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