

U N A N S W E R E D

UNANSWERED: Why Does The Bible Seem To Favor Men Over Women?

Objective: [1 minute]

To understand that the Bible sets forth a history of men and women, and proclaims the ultimate redemption of both so that we can work together and value each other's gifts.

Theme Verse: [1 minute]

Genesis 1:27 NKJ

"So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; MALE and FEMALE He created THEM."

Group Time: [15 minutes]

This would be an amazing opportunity for an Icebreaker to get everyone sharing and involved. Leaders should set the tone by volunteering to "go first" if necessary. Make this time fun and light in order to create a comfortable environment.

Weekly Video: [5 minutes]

Discussion: [40 minutes]

Action: [5 minutes]

Remember to invite everyone back to share with you for the last week of the Unanswered discussion. This might be a good time to consider planning something different and fun for an upcoming week like a group potluck, game night, etc.

Prayer: [10 minutes]

As you close the group session, pray together as a group for everything discussed. Remember, your group should be a safe place to share.

Key Discussion Questions:

1. In what ways have you seen the Bible or Church seem to favor men over women?
2. Read Genesis 1:26-28 – Why is it important to start at the beginning when considering God's view of women?
3. In what ways does Satan look to stop the intimacy between men and women? What are the results of it in society today?
4. What do Jesus' interactions with women show us about how he views them?
5. Paul and Peter spoke on several occasions about the role of women within marriage and in the home; what is the significance behind the "divine order" seen in those passages?
6. Moving forward, what are some ways you and I can better show equal value to one another in our lives and as a part of the Church?

Additional Resource: <http://bit.ly/2HIAcfG> - Encyclopedia of Bible Difficulties (Gleason Archer)