#### LEAD! MEN

"Now the Lord saw, and it was <u>displeasing</u> in His sight that there was <u>no justice</u>. And He saw that there was **NO MAN**, and was astonished that there was <u>no one</u> to <u>intercede</u>;" (Isaiah 59:15, 16)

The righteous is a guide to his neighbor but the way of the wicked leads astray." (Proverbs 12:26) "when the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice" (Proverbs 29:2 KJV) "when the wicked increase, transgression increases" (Proverbs 29:16 NAS)

> "the only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing." Edmund Burke

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### MAN'S POSITION as "HEAD"

"kephale" (noun)- chief, prominent, master, lord (authority) "Christ is the head of every man...the man is the head of a woman" 1 Corinthians 11:4-7

In this passage the woman was directed to cover her head as an act of subjection & submission to man concealing as it were purposely any proclivity to take charge.

Man, on the other hand was forbid to cover his head in that... to **not** take the <u>position</u> ordained for him was seen as an act of rebellion against God & an <u>affront</u> against God's <u>order</u> & <u>calling</u>. NOTE: God's <u>anger</u> (Exodus 4:10-17, note vs. 14) toward Moses for <u>shying</u> away from his <u>calling</u>. Likewise, his wife demonstrated both <u>anger</u> & <u>contempt</u> for both her <u>husband</u> & his <u>faith</u> because she was <u>forced</u> to do what Moses was <u>called</u> to do. (Exodus 4:24-26)

It is important to further note that man's refusal to lead creates <u>confusion</u> & <u>frustration</u> in the life of women since they were never created to define & direct intent or purpose. (1 Corinthians 11:9) "for indeed man was not created for the woman's sake, but woman for the man's sake."

(Note: Isaiah 3:1-5, 11-12; 9:13-16)

#### MAN'S WORK to "MANAGE"

"Proestemi" (verb)- to superintend (one def. for superintend to be in the driver's seat), rule protect, care for

"Managing well (kalos)" 1 Timothy 3:4 – honorably, nobly, commendably, honestly, uprightly, making well (as in healing) I.e. Mark 16:18 "recover"

Overseeing, Directing, Supervising & Watching over to make sure that his family is doing right & behaving honorably. That is, that he not only directs the family to live in a moral, ethical & appropriate manner; he also defines & clarifies the roles of men & women, counsels & guides in the ideals established in Scripture (i.e.- things God wants & declares important).

What the goal is – Love (1 Timothy 1:5)

Where purpose is realized – Church-body devotion & edification, significance-(Ephesians 3:9-11, 20,21)

<u>How to walk</u> – By Faith- (2 Corinthians 4:18, 5:7)

## MAN'S ROLE as "SAVIOR"

"Savior (soter)" - to save, preserve, deliver, sustain. Role- An expected behavior character & nature portrayed Ephesians 5:23

The ancients would not only bestow this title on their deities but on their princes, kings and men of influence & power.

That <u>God Alone</u> is declared "<u>Savior</u>" is indisputable. "I even I am the Lord; and there is <u>no savior besides Me</u>." (Isaiah 43:11) However, while Ephesians 5:23, does not confer the <u>title</u> of Savior upon the man; it demonstrates through Christ what man's role is to be.

Therefore, as he displays this nature & behaves in this way, Scripture says he creates an atmosphere & a fortress which secures, sanctifies and satisfies. It is this then which inspires devotion & desire; washing away her longings for other worldly things causing her to neither need or want for anything. (Ephesians 5:25, 26)

# SAVE... How? Ephesians 5

Saving from Destructive Influences

Leading to Sanctification

Verses 1-14

"Do not let...." vs. 3

"There must be no..." vs. 4

"Let no one deceive..." vs. 6

"... Do not be..." vs. 7

... "Do not participate...." vs.11

Saving from A Wasted Life Leading to Sagacity

Verses 15-21

"Be careful how..." vs. 15

"Make the most of..." vs. 16

"Do not be foolish, but...." vs. 17

"Do not get drunk...but...speak...give... subject ...in fear..." vss. 18-21

## SAVE... How? Ephesians 6

Saving from God's

Leading to

Disfavor & Loss

Subservience

Of Well-Being

Verses 1-4

"for this is right...." vs. 1

"that it may be well with you..." vs. 3

Saving from Insincere

Leading to

Faith & a Dis-

Sincerity

Appointing Future

Verses 5-9

"with fear & trembling, in the sincerity of your heart, as to Christ" vs. 5

"not.... as men pleasers...doing the will of God from the heart.... he will receive back from the Lord...." vss. 6-8