

“WOMEN PREACHERS”?

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Jesus NEVER called upon a woman to be an apostle or preacher! The apostles, who spoke as they were inspired by the Holy Spirit (II Peter 1:20-21), NEVER appointed a woman to preach.

The New Testament nowhere gives instructions (authority) for a woman to preach! Not only can NO AUTHORITY be found for "women preachers," the Bible even forbids it! Read it for yourself! *"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...for it is a shame for women to speak in the church"* (I Corinthians 14:34-35).

Timothy was told to *"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"* (I Timothy 2:11-12). "Usurp authority" means: "one who acts on their own authority, to govern one, or to exercise dominion over one." Thus, when a woman teaches or preaches where men are present, she is certainly one who has dominion over them. Will the Bible allow it? NOT AT ALL! There's no Scripture for it!

In His holy inspired word, God has *"...given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness"* (II Peter 1:3). And, since we do not read about women preachers anywhere in the Scriptures, then God has not given them to us. They are an addition to God's Word and therefore not authorized (Revelation 22:18-19). Paul said, *"But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed"* (Galatians 1:8). Their presence is "another gospel" and stands accursed!

If God has given authority for a woman to preach, then men are accursed if they teach against it. On the other hand, if God has not authorized "women preachers," then men are accursed to promote them! If we are going to believe and follow the instructions of the Holy Spirit, then we must say as the Bible says, *"let them be accursed"* (Galatians 1:8).

Women preachers and those who teach and allow that women can preach and teach over men have absolutely no Scriptural ground upon which to stand. What will they say come judgment day? They act on their own authority.