

# CAN WOMEN BE PASTORS, PREACHERS OR TEACHERS?

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Prophet — “someone who \_\_\_\_\_ for God; someone who brings God’s \_\_\_\_\_”

1. \_\_\_\_\_ was a prophetess. (Exodus 15:20)
2. \_\_\_\_\_ was a prophetess and a judge. (Judges 4-5)
3. \_\_\_\_\_ was a prophetess. (2 Kings 22:11-20; 2 Chronicles 34:14-33)

## Women were used in leadership, or to speak for God, in the New Testament

1. \_\_\_\_\_ was a prophetess. (Luke 2:36)
2. The woman \_\_\_\_\_ told her whole village about Jesus. (John 4:28, 39)
3. The women at the tomb were the first “\_\_\_\_\_” of the resurrection. (John 4:39)
4. \_\_\_\_\_ women were prophetesses. (Acts 2:17)
5. \_\_\_\_\_ was a teacher. (Acts 18:26)
6. \_\_\_\_\_ daughters were prophetesses. (Acts 21:9)
7. \_\_\_\_\_ was very possibly an \_\_\_\_\_. (Romans 16:7)
8. Women prayed and prophesied in \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Corinthians 11:5)
9. Euodia & Syntyche were “\_\_\_\_\_” with Paul. (Philippians 4:2-3)

10. \_\_\_\_\_ was a “servant” or “deaconess” or “minister” at the church in Cenchrea. (Romans 16:1-3)
11. Many women “\_\_\_\_\_” for the gospel along with Paul. (Romans 16:1-16)

## In many ways, men and women are equal in Christ.

1. God is not a \_\_\_\_\_ of persons. (Romans 2:11; Acts 10:34; Ephesians 6:9)
2. Galatians 3:28
3. Jesus had \_\_\_\_\_ disciples as well as \_\_\_\_\_ disciples. (Luke 8:1-3; 10:38-42)
4. God fills \_\_\_\_\_ men and women with the Holy Spirit. (Acts 2:1-21)
5. \_\_\_\_\_ of the gifts of the Spirit are limited according to \_\_\_\_\_. (Romans 12:6-8; 1 Corinthians 12:7-11, 27-28; Ephesians 4:7-12; 1 Peter 4:10-11)

## Examples of a specific cultural application of a stated principle:

Romans 16:16; 1 Corinthians 11:4-6; 1 Timothy 2:8-10; 1 Corinthians 14:33-34; Passages on \_\_\_\_\_

## Difficult passages to explain:

1. 1 Corinthians 14:33-35 — In light of the other problems mentioned in this letter, Paul’s admonition here is probably in reference to excessive \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ taking place in the services.
2. 1 Timothy 2:11-15 — There is a strong indication that Paul is offering advice to Timothy on how to confront the heretical \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ occurring among a number of women within the church at Ephesus.

## Conclusion

2 Peter 3:15-16