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Paul stayed on in Corinth for some time. Then he left the brothers and sisters and sailed for Syria, accompanied by Priscilla and Aquila. Before he sailed, he had his hair cut off at Cenchreae because of a vow he had taken. They arrived at Ephesus, where Paul left Priscilla and Aquila. He himself went into the synagogue and reasoned with the Jews.

2. Acts 18:18-28 (NIV)

"When they asked him to spend more time with them, he declined." But as he left, he promised, "I will come back if it is God's will." Then he set sail from Ephesus. "When he landed at Caesarea, he went up to Jerusalem and greeted the church and then went down to Antioch. "After spending some time in Antioch, Paul set out from there and traveled from place to place throughout the region of Galatia and Phrygia, strengthening all the disciples.

3. Acts 18:18-28 (NIV)

Meanwhile a Jew named Apollos, a native of Alexandria, came to Ephesus. He was a learned man, with a thorough knowledge of the Scriptures. He had been instructed in the way of the Lord, and he spoke with great fervor and taught about Jesus accurately, though he knew only the baptism of John. "He began to speak boldly in the synagogue. When Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they invited him to their home and explained to him the way of God more adequately.

4. Acts 18:18-28 (NIV)

When Apollos wanted to go to Achaia, the brothers and sisters encouraged him and wrote to the disciples there to welcome him. When he arrived, he was a great help to those who by grace had believed. For he vigorously refuted his Jowish opponents in public debate, proving from the Scriptures that Jesus was the Messiah.

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## Four Camps/Perspectives

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# **Male Chauvinism**

Males dominate society and women are subjected to discrimination, considered less important, and have less access to money, position, and power.

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### **Gender Neutrality**

Gender differences are nothing more than societal expectations and manipulations that hamper the unity of the human race.

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"Haven't you read," he replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female," and said, For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become and

Matthew 19:4-5 (NIV)

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So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. Genesis 1-27 (8

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#### **God's Order of Submission and Responsibility**

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Church members to Elders/Overseers (I Pet. 5:1-3)
Wives to Husbands (Eph. 5:22)
Children to Parents (Col. 3:20)
Church to Jesus (Eph. 5:24)
Jesus to the Father (I Cor. 11:3)

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Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior.

Ephesians 5:22-23 (NIV)

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#### Male Leadership

God primarily speaks through the husband in the home, and the wife is to follow the direction, wishes, and decisions the husband makes.

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## **Marriage Partnership**

Husbands have the responsibility for the direction of their families, and part of that responsibility is to create a partnership environment where the gifts, abilities, and leadership of their wives are not restricted but rather flourish.

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Acts 18:26 (NIV)

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The churches in the province of Asia send you greetings. Aquila and Priscilla greet you warmly in the Lord, and so does the church that meets at their house.

1 Corinthians 16:19 (NIV.)

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Greet Priscilla and Aquila, my co-workers in Christ Jesus.
They risked their lives for me. Not only I but all the
churches of the Gentiles are grateful to them. Greet also
the church that meets at their house...
Romans 16:3-5 (NIV.)

21. Romans 16:3-5 (NIV)

# Ways to partner in Marriage and Ministry

Leveraging Differences in Personality
Using Home as a base for ministry
Praying together
Trading preferences for seasons
Involvement in spouse's passion, work, ministry

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