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What The Bible Says - Good Samaritan's Penny Pulpit by Pastor Ed Rice

Msg #1438 Men Teaching, Praying, and Prophesying What The Bible Says Good Samaritan's Penny Pulpit by Pastor Ed Rice Abram believed God, and is called the father of faith, but in Genesis 16 he makes significant mistake. Sarai, his wife, the weaker vessel, lost faith and tries to help God out with his impossible promise. God had said "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him an help meet (appropriate) for him." God says it is not appropriate that women take a lead role in teaching, praying, or prophesying (1Tim 2:12, 8, 1Cor 15:34). He gives three reasons, 1) man was made first (1Cor 11:9, 1Tim 2:13), 2) women are more deceivable (1Cor 11:3, 1Tim 2:14) and 3) a woman's physical, physiological, and psychological makeup are designed for mothering not for leading men, homes, or nations. (1Cor 11:12, 1Tim 2:15). In this feminized culture Bible believers spend too much time apologizing for what God said and too little time practicing what God said. Sarai is not in error proposing a solution involving her Egyptian maid. She is doing what women do, pursuing a compromise, seeking conflict avoidance, and manipulating things behind the scene. The error is worded in verse 2, "And Abram hearkened to the voice of Sarai." The role and responsibility of the husband is to provide the leadership and make the righteous decisions when given other options. Abram's failure is clear, don't put the blame on the weaker vessel and appropriate helper. Men have the responsibility to take the lead where women should not go. Men should lead in teaching; praying; and prophesying. The man is to be the head and lead in paths of righteousness. Our society is likely irrecoverable, but our homes and fundamental churches should have testosterone laden, unfeminized, male leadership wearing the pants. That theme unfolds in Genesis 16, and is found lacking in America. An Essay for week #38 09/21/2014 In paperback at www.lulu.com/spotlight/GSBaptistChurch Msg in audio at www.GSBaptistChurch.com/audio/gs140921.mp3 View Thesis "Reformed Theology NOT" at www.Theology.GSBaptistChurch.com

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