



Course outline

Foundations

- Week 1: Man and Woman in Creation: Equality, Fertility, and Complementarity
- Week 2: Man and Woman in Creation: A Biblical Theology of Beautiful Difference
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Applications

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- Week 9: The Church (Part 1): Life and Leadership in God's Family
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Apologetics

- Week 12: Answering Common Questions
- Week 13: The Goodness and Beauty of God's Design

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Suggested reading

- Stephen B. Clark, *Man and Woman in Christ*
- Susan Pinker, *The Sexual Paradox: Men, Woman, and the Real Gender Gap*
- Roy Baumeister, *Is There Anything Good About Men?*

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Work

I. Man and Woman in the Creation Mandate

- 1. The creation mandate calls every man and woman to a life of fruitful labor. (Gen. 1:26–28)*
- 2. Within this shared creation mandate, husband and wife have distinct primary callings, orientations, and lifeworlds. (Gen. 2:15, 18–25; 3:16–19)*
- 3. As a general rule: Husbands, prioritize provision without neglecting nurture; wives, prioritize nurture without neglecting provision. (1 Tim. 3:4–5; Eph. 6:1; Prov. 31:10–31)*
- 4. Mothers: view mothering as your primary calling. (Tit. 2:3–5)*

II. Man and Woman in the Modern Workplace

1. *Recognize the value of various spheres of work and resist the reduction of work to what pays.* (Eph. 2:10; Tit. 2:14)

2. *Prioritize goods of the home and the church over goods of the market.*

3. *We should give thanks for, and be good stewards of, ways that the modern workplace provides avenues for women to bless us all.*

Edith Stein: “Woman naturally seeks to embrace that which is living, personal, and whole. To cherish, guard, protect, nourish and advance growth is her natural, maternal yearning. Lifeless matter, the fact, can hold primary interest for her only insofar as it serves the living and the personal, not ordinarily for its own sake. . . . The living and personal to which her care extends is a concrete whole and is protected and encouraged as a totality; this does not mean that one part is sacrificed to another, not the mind to the body or one spiritual faculty at the expense of the others. She aspires to this totality in herself and in others.”¹

4. *For both men and women: resist the idolatry of career.* (Col. 3:5; 1 Cor. 7:29–31)

5. *Recognize that many careers directly compete against forming a family.*

6. *Interest and ability are useful cues but not ironclad rules for choosing a job.*

7. *Recognize that the modern workplace has been designed to eliminate sexual difference.*

¹ Edith Stein, *Essays on Woman*, 45.