



9.22.24 • Craig Rees + Kim Fowler & Adam Davidson + Alicia Bruxvoort • Are Men and Women Equal in Work and Worth?

Key Verses

Judges 4, 5
Ephesians 5:21
Galatians 3:28
Matthew 23:4
Proverbs 31:23
Ruth 4:1

Big Idea

God's call knows no ceiling—
break barriers, not spirits.

Discussion Questions

- 1). What cultural barriers have you experienced women face in leadership roles today, whether in the church, workplace, or other areas of life? How does Deborah's example challenge these barriers?
- 2). Deborah shouldn't have been leading by the standards of her culture, yet she did. What do you think her presence in leadership teaches us about God's criteria for leaders versus human expectations?
- 3). Deborah led in a space not traditionally open to women. What are some examples you've seen where women have stepped into leadership roles despite not having natural or traditional spaces for them to lead? How did they navigate those situations?
- 4). Ephesians 5:21 and Galatians 3:28 emphasize mutual submission and equality in Christ. How do we as a church live out these Scriptures, and where do we need to improve?
- 5). In Matthew 23:4, Jesus speaks against burdensome rules that hinder others. Are there any rules or expectations—whether in the church, workplace, or home—that may be placing unnecessary burdens on people today? How can we create environments that foster freedom and growth instead of restriction?
- 6). How have boundaries like the Billy Graham Rule positively impacted your personal relationships or interactions with others of the opposite gender? In what ways can these boundaries help maintain integrity while also fostering trust, healthy friendships, and inclusive leadership in all areas of life?

7). How do we navigate situations where one person may need a rule or boundary for their growth and protection, while another person doesn't require the same rule to thrive? How can we create space for both without limiting or burdening others unnecessarily?

8). Deborah was both a leader and a wife. How can families navigate evolving roles at home to create more equality? What does shared leadership look like for families in our community?

Notes

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