

Can't Define a Woman?

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There is a reason why many people, including the recent nominee for the Supreme Court of the United States of America, Ketanji Brown Jackson, cannot or will not define what a woman is. The inability, or aversion, to do this is explained in God's word, the Bible, which ironically is used in courtrooms around the USA and other countries.

Metaphorically, God the Father compares a woman to "the church" that He is preparing for marriage to His son, Jesus Christ. In order to picture this spiritual relationship, physical women are intended to assist/support their husbands, just as "the church" is expected to assist/support its future husband, Jesus Christ.

*For I (the Apostle Paul) am jealous for you (members of God's true church) with godly jealousy. For **I have betrothed you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ** (2Cor. 11:2; NKJV used throughout unless otherwise noted)*

And this metaphoric language is not unique to the New Testament because "the Lord," mentioned throughout the Old Testament, is pictured as a husband to the confederate nations of Israel and Judah.

*Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel (eleven families descended from Jacob) and with the house of Judah (the twelfth family descended from Jacob; aka: the Jewish people) ³²not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, **though I was a husband to***

them, says the Lord (Jer. 31:31-32; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).

So just as "the Lord of the Old Testament" was a husband to the descendants of Jacob's twelve sons during the First Covenant period, Jesus Christ is a husband to a spiritual nation during the New Testament period that will continue until the time of the second resurrection (see article entitled: *Christ's Proof of His Preexistence*). This second and last resurrection of the dead will not occur until Christ has ruled this planet for a thousand years (cf. Rev. 20:1-10).

You (New Testament bride of Christ) also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood (chaste virgin; cf. 2Cor. 11:2), to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through (the shed blood of) Jesus Christ (1Pet. 2:5; Ed. notes in parentheses).

Therefore, redefining the meaning of "a woman" is an attempt to separate "physical women" from the responsibilities of their "spiritual sisters," who will comprise Christ's future bride. This bride was created by God the Father to assist Christ throughout eternity. The crux of the matter, when it comes to explaining what the word "woman" means, is that God describes a woman as someone who obeys her "physical husband," just as the collective Church of God is to obey their "spiritual husband," Jesus Christ. However, those who subscribe to the "Woke agenda" cannot handle this truth because it paints a picture of a "spiritual bride" being subject to a "spiritual husband," who teaches obedience to his Father's law and commandments.

Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the

church; and he is the Savior of the body.
²⁴Therefore, **just as the church is subject to Christ** (the husband), **so let wives be to their own husbands in everything,**
²⁵**Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave himself for her.** ²⁶that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word (of God), ²⁷that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that it should be holy and without blemish (sinless) (Eph. 5:22-27; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).

*So the serpent (Satan; cf. Rev. 12:9) spewed water out of his mouth like a flood (cf. Ps. 124:1-5; Isa. 59:19b) after the woman (God's true church), that he might cause her to be carried away by the flood (cf. Eph. 4:14).¹⁶ But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed up the flood which the dragon had spewed out of his mouth.¹⁷ And **the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ** (Rev. 12:15-17; cf. Ps. 119:125-128; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).*

To summarize His expectation of true womanhood, Almighty God describes the responsibilities and characteristics of an ideal woman within her respective family and, by extension, her community and country in Proverbs 31:10-31. Of course, this will be ridiculed by many in the western world because in their current "state of enlightenment" they have been deceived regarding the God-ordained responsibilities of men and women.

Nevertheless, this woman represents Christ's bride, which is the faithful church that recognizes only Jesus Christ as its delegated

leader. She willingly and happily serves her husband and family, while her husband (figuratively, Jesus Christ) attends to "matters of state" for the benefit of the nation.

*Who can find a virtuous wife? For her worth is far above rubies.¹¹ **The heart of her husband safely trusts her;** so he will have no lack of gain.¹² **She does him good and not evil all the days of her life.**¹³ She seeks wool and flax, and willingly works with her hands (skillful).¹⁴ She is like the merchant ships, she brings her food from afar (resourceful).¹⁵ She also rises while it is yet night, and provides food for her household, and a portion for her maidservants (diligent and compassionate).¹⁶ She considers a field and buys it; from her profits she plants a vineyard (entrepreneurial).¹⁷ She girds herself with strength, and strengthens her arms (not afraid of hard work).¹⁸ She perceives that her merchandise is good, and her lamp does not go out by night.¹⁹ She stretches out her hands to the distaff, and her hand holds the spindle.²⁰ She extends her hand to the poor, yes, she reaches out her hands to the needy (willing to sacrifice for the greater good of others).²¹ She is not afraid of snow for her household, for all her household is clothed with scarlet (plans ahead for any situation).²² She makes tapestry for herself; her clothing is fine line and purple (seeks quality in whatever she does).²³ Her husband is known in the gates, when he sits among the elders of the land.²⁴ She makes linen garments and sells them, and supplies sashes for the merchants (industrious).²⁵ Strength and honor are her clothing; she shall rejoice in time to come (looking forward to God's kingdom).²⁶ She opens her mouth with wisdom, and on her tongue is the law of kindness (communicates wisely).²⁷ She watches over the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness (does not postpone what needs to be done).²⁸ **Her children rise up and call***

her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her (others recognize and appreciate her work). ²⁹"Many daughters have done well, but you excel them all." ³⁰*Charm is deceitful and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears (shows deep respect for) the Lord, she shall be praised* (because she is not duplicitous or superficial). ³¹*Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her own works praise her in the gates* (she will enter the gates of God's kingdom at the first resurrection) (Prov. 31:10-31; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).

These are the qualities that should be encouraged and developed in young girls throughout the process of becoming women. And young boys should have proper male role models as part of their education, so they grow up to respect women and are equipped to provide the right leadership in their future families. Sadly, modern school systems, and societies in general, are virtually bankrupt when it comes to teaching young people about God's value system. Therefore, a future "reset" is essential and it will come following the removal of the corrupt value systems that permeate "this present evil age" (cf. Gal. 1:4).

Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet (at the time of the first resurrection) before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord (at the second resurrection to judgment; cf. Rev. 20:5-6). ⁶And he will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers (for proper instruction in righteous behavior), lest I come and strike the earth with a curse (Mal. 4:5-6; Ed. notes in parentheses).

As always, mankind has been granted freedom to choose or reject God's word, which includes all the instructions necessary for happy and balanced families; with men leading and women supporting them for the ultimate benefit of the

family unit, and society as a whole. To date, the majority of mankind has refused to follow God's way of living, and the results are abundantly clear. Therefore, God will eventually intervene to save us from the mess we have created by refusing to obey His every word (cf. Mt. 4:4).

In the meantime, our "Woke world" struggles to define what a woman is because it does not understand the connection between an obedient physical woman, and Christ's obedient spiritual woman, which is His collective church. One day they will, even if it is not in this lifetime.

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