**Women Leadership Roles in the Church**

**Part - 1**

**Introduction:** Women leadership role in the body of Jesus Christ (church/kingdom of God) has been a difficult and sometime a confusing issue. Many believers are still struggling with this matter because of their culture, traditions, and belief. Today as leaders of Jesus Christ we can no longer ignore or overlook women leadership.

In addition many have misunderstood and misinterpreted the word of God and use Bible scriptures to support their point of view. God never made his word difficult to understand, but simple to all that study ***(2 Timothy 2:15)***. We all must pray, meditate, and fast when seeking God for an understanding of his word.

We can no longer accept the views of men and women alone, everything being said must be proven by God’s word. If it is not written in God’s word, it is not the truth ***(John 8:32)***, and you shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free. Furthermore faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God, ***(Romans 10:17)***.

We the leaders of the church/kingdom of God must restore the belief in God’s stated word. It is our God given responsibly because he has chosen us to ambassadors ***(1 Corinthians 5:20)*** and his oracle ***(1 Peter 4:11)***.

To understand this main topic “Women Leadership Roles”, we will discuss three main points: power and authority; being submissive; and leadership roles.

**Point - 1: Power and Authority**

To understand woman’s’ power and authority, we first must determine its origin according to the word of God. The question we ask our church leaders - “Where did woman get her power and authority?” simply stated the origin of woman’s power and authority according to scriptures.

**The facts** from the word of God in ***Genesis 1:26-28***. Power and authority for both man and woman came from God.

**God gave** - both man and woman dominion over the entry earth

**Dominion means** – to give power and rights to govern; to have power and sovereign authority over, etc.

**Supporting scriptures:**

***Colossians 1:16-17***, **16**For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: **17**And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

***Luke 10:19***, Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

***Romans 13:1***, Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.

***Acts 1:8*, 8**But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

***2 Timothy 1:7*** - For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

***Isaiah 40:29***, “He giveth power to the faint; and to *them that have* no might he increaseth strength.”

***1 Corinthians 2:5***, That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

# *John 1:12*, But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

**Conclusion:** In conclusion power and authority originated from God. By having faith in God’s holy word everyone can obtain power and authority. It does not make a difference whether you are male or female, the Lord give this power to everyone that believes in him. We should know that there are many other scriptures, but these are enough to provide the facts about man and woman power and authority.