

**Supplemental Notes****➤ References regarding Jesus' interactions with women**

- John 4:4-42 Samaritan woman at the well
- Matthew 9:20-22 Woman who touched Jesus' garment
- Luke 8:1-3 Women who traveled with and supported Jesus
- Luke 10:38-42 Mary of Bethany learning at the feet of Jesus
- John 20:1-18 Mary Magdalene with the risen Jesus

**➤ References regarding the twelve Jewish male disciples**

- Luke 22:29-30 Twelve disciples judging the twelve tribes of Israel
- Matthew 19:28 Twelve disciples judging the twelve tribes of Israel

**Bible Verses and Significant Quotes****What did Jesus teach and demonstrate regarding the role of women?**

"He (Jesus) said to Mary Magdalene... 'You go tell them'." Griffith

"Jesus spoke to the Samaritan woman at the well, holding the longest conversation with anyone in the New Testament"  
Haddad

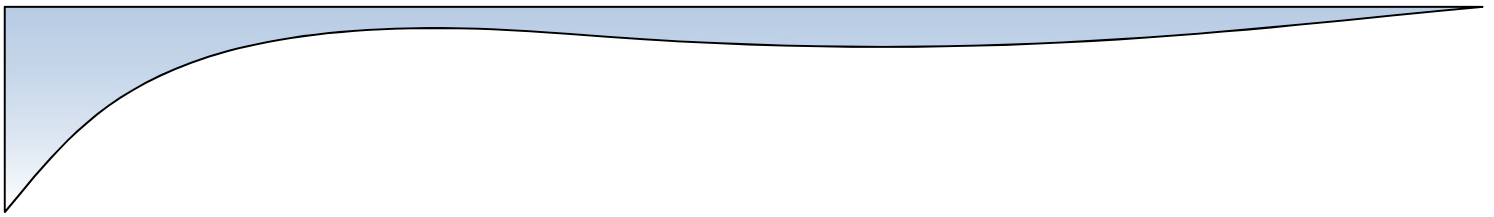
"I read things like women were with him and they funded his ministry...That is how radical he was to influence and train and transform the culture, according to the principles of the kingdom of God." Zaki

**Does the fact that there were twelve Jewish male disciples mean only men should lead?**

"Those twelve disciples were representing the twelve tribes of Israel...bridging the Old Testament to the New Testament." Zaki

**Does being "one in Christ" refer only to salvation?**

*There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. Galatians 3:28*



“It takes a while for these people groups to come together and figure out how to let go of their perceptions and become one.” Roese

“He’s (Paul) not concerned about Peter getting saved. He’s concerned about Peter living out the very essence of his faith which is salvation by grace and new community in Christ.” Pierce

“Jesus never put us in any position where one person would be over another, be it a male or a female. We are all one in Christ.” Mingo

“There is no male/female division. Does that have practical implication for life? You bet it does.” Payne

“I see Paul, who grew up in a Jewish culture, who knew very well how to pray ‘I thank you that I was born a man and not a woman’ and yet in Galatians 3 he says, done. We are done with these barriers. If you are in Christ we are finished with these barriers.” Zaki

### **Can a woman have equal worth when given only subordinate roles?**

“That comes down to saying, men and women have equal status before God, however women are barred because of their gender from certain positions of leadership. Now that means that their lower place on the hierarchy is determined not by gifting or lack of gifting, it is determined by something they cannot change, which is their gender. Certainly hierarchy is significant in culture and God is not against hierarchy...But the gender hierarchy idea is that women are always subservient to men in some way or another, simply because they are women.” Groothuis

“By role we mean one thing and that is men have authority over women the whole of life. That is not a role. That is a position of power and dominance.” Haddad

### **How do we follow God’s calling?**

“One thing I am aware of is that there are seminarians who will not take my class, my Bible classes because I’m a woman...I pray that at some point they would see that it’s not about gender. It’s about the Lord and it’s about the Word of God and it’s about Jesus.” Dallaire