

## Propriety in Worship - 1 Corinthians 11:2-16

*Topics:* Angels, Appearance, Authority, Fellowship, Image, Worship

### Open It

1. How have women's roles changed since you were a kid?
- \* 2. When has challenging authority caused you to hurt yourself or others?

### Explore It

3. For what did Paul praise the Corinthian church? (11:2)
- \* 4. What public worship practices did Paul rebuke? (11:2-16)
- \* 5. Who is the head of women, men, and Christ? (11:3)
6. Why were women to have a sign of authority on their head? (11:3-11)
7. Why does it dishonor a man's head to pray or prophesy with his head covered? (11:3-4, 7)
8. Why does it dishonor a woman's head to pray or prophesy with her head uncovered? (11:3, 5-10)
9. How seriously did Paul regard the woman who did not cover her head? (11:6)
10. How are women and men different? (11:7-8)
- \* 11. What relationship do men and women have to each other? (11:11-12)
12. How did Paul try to head off criticism about these instructions? (11:16)

### Get It

- \* 13. What matters most to God about worship in the church?
- \* 14. What excesses in worship does God want us to avoid?
15. How is man the image and glory of God?
16. How should women today respond to the command to cover their heads in public worship?
17. In what ways were these instructions a response to problems unique to the Corinthian church?
18. In what ways could this passage be misinterpreted or misapplied?

### Apply It

- \* 19. What can you do personally to promote a proper spirit of worship in your church?
20. What can you do next Sunday to insure a proper attitude in your worship?