

1 Corinthians 11:1-16 – Honouring your head**Response to tough passages**

- 1) Capitulate
- 2) Wrestle

A key verse to understand

1 Cor 11:3, “Now I want you to realise that the head of every man is Christ and the head of every woman is man, and the head of Christ is God”

Head meaning source / origin ... **WRONG**, Arianism

Head meaning order / authority ... **RIGHT** – context, other scripture, trinity

Order and authority like the trinity

Headship - loving, purposeful, liberating and healing.

Order and authority when we gather together

1 Cor 11:4-5 - “Every man who prays or prophesies with his head covered dishonours his head and every woman who prays or prophesies with her head uncovered dishonours her head”

Firstly – dishonouring the head

Secondly - husband / wife not man / woman

- 1) Scripture prohibits women teaching in context of mixed gathering
 - 2) Both can be involved in prophesying
- Where does this headship apply ? Church ... marriage

What sort of head covering ?

Most likely a garment or veil.

“Woman made for man”

1 Cor 11:7-9

Applying this today

- not a cultural oddity

For the Blokes – Be heads of church and family ... for the glory and honour of God

For the ladies – not stopping involvement but under the headship of man (your husband) ... who is under the headship of Christ.

Not needing head coverings but actions that reflect a submissive heart

Both blokes and ladies

- counter culture
- seeking glory and honour of God