### LIVE IT OUT

Answer these questions on your own or preferably with others to reflect upon and apply what you've heard.

- 1. Which part of today's message stood out to you and why?
- 2. Explain the "X => Y => Z" model for interpretation and application. Illustrate it from the Scriptures on taking revenge.
- 3. Which of your assumptions has today's message challenged? How will this be helpful to you going forward?

### **OUR MISSION & VISION**

We **inspire** & **equip** people to follow Jesus **wholeheartedly**, because we believe that following Jesus makes **life better**, makes you better at life,

and brings glory to God.



### **CORNERSTONE TOP THREE**

Learn what's happening right now with the three most important things for you to know this week at Cornerstone.

- The Baby Bottle Campaign begins today. Take home a
  baby bottle today. Bring it back full of your loose change on
  Father's Day. Every last penny will go to support our local
  Care Women's Center. <u>CornerstoneNH.org/Care</u>
- Our next baptism celebration is Sunday, June 9. Baptism
  is the first step for everyone who decides to become a
  follower of Jesus! Get baptized at Cornerstone on the
  second Sunday morning in June! <u>CornerstoneNH.org/baptism</u>
- 3. Pentecost Sunday is May 19. Pentecost celebrates the advent of the Holy Spirit after the Resurrection on Jesus' first followers. Do you know and experience the Holy Spirit's presence today? Or are you a bit confused or unsure about what the Holy Spirit is supposed to do or mean to us? Demystify the Holy Spirit and infuse your spiritual journey with real power beginning with Pentecost this year! <a href="Maintenanger: CornerstoneNH.org">CornerstoneNH.org</a>

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# YOUR GROWTH GUIDE FOR

CORNERSTONE ON SITE & CORNERSTONE ONLINE
MOTHER'S DAY SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2024

Does the Bible denigrate women?"

### **ELEVATE**

### **TODAY'S MESSAGE**

MOMENTS PART ONE • GENESIS 1:18-24 • TODAY: WOMEN

THE BOTTOM LINE

THE BIBLE	
	, AND
	WOMEN



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In the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

- Genesis 1:27 NLT

THE BIBLE HONORS, ELEVATES, AND PROTECTS WOMEN

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Then the Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper corresponding to him." – Genesis 2:18 CSB



Think of two sides of an integrated whole. Each one is critical to the structural integrity of the building. They are two sides of the same coin.

We wait for the Lord; he is our help and shield.

- Psalm 33:20 CSB

And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have put on Christ, like putting on new clothes. There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male and female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus. – Galatians 3:27-28 NLT

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#### THE FALL

"Anyone who injures another person must be dealt with according to the injury inflicted— a fracture for a fracture, an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth. — Leviticus 24:19-20a NLT

Here's what I propose: 'Don't hit back at all.'

– Matthew 5:39a MSG

Friends, do not avenge yourselves; instead, leave room for God's wrath, because it is written, **Vengeance belongs to me;**I will repay, says the Lord. – Romans 12:19 CSB

Think of the X => Y => Z model and ask, "Which way is the Bible moving culture? X is the original culture. Y is the Bible's triage prescription applied to the original culture. Z is the ultimate ethic towards which the Bible is driving. (See William J. Webb's book "exploring the hermeneutics of cultural analysis.")



Apply this model to Deuteronomy 22:28-29 and Exodus 22:16-17. The context suggests consensual sex. The bride price affirms the woman's full worth. Rather than a unescapable forced marriage, there is assurance that the woman can avoid a life of destitution or prostitution. (See How (Not) to Read the Bible: Making Sense of the Anti-Women, Anti-Science, Pro-Violence, Pro-Slavery and Other Crazy-Sounding Parts of Scripture by Dan Kimball.)

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Women should learn quietly and submissively. I do not let women teach men or have authority over them. Let them listen quietly. – 1 Timothy 2:11-12 NLT

Elements of life and language in Ephesus (where Timothy was serving): "Quiet" is peaceable. False teachers and doctrine were pervasive. One such doctrine emphasized "a virgin female originator of all life that gave women spiritual superiority to men." "Exercise authority over" could be better translated "act superior to." The language and context suggests a "specific and limited set of circumstances," not a universal law. – From the article "Women should not teach men what? 1 Timothy 2 in context" <a href="https://www.reenactingtheway.com/blog/women-should-not-teach-men-what-1-timothy-2-in-context">https://www.reenactingtheway.com/blog/women-should-not-teach-men-what-1-timothy-2-in-context</a>

I don't let women take over and tell the men what to do. They should study to be quiet and obedient along with everyone else. – 1 Timothy 2:11-12 MSG

**NEXT STEP: SAY YES** 

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# ABOUT WOMEN IN LIGHT OF THE SCRIPTURES

**Saying "YES" to Jesus?** Let us know by checking in on our app, double-circling "say yes" on your Check-In card, or text YES to 603-225-2550. Let us celebrate your decision with you & resource you for your new life in Christ.

The theme of this series was suggested by The Power of Moments: Why Certain Experiences Have Extraordinary Impact by Chip Heath & Dan Heath.