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Pleasant View church of Christ  
2500 Highway 49 East  
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Sunday School: 9:30  
A.M. Worship: 10:30  
P.M. Worship: 6:00  
Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 pm  
Phone: 924-9714

Ephesians 5:1-2

“Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children; and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma.”

“If Christ spent an anguished night in prayer, if He burst out from the cross, ‘My God, My God, why have you forsaken Me?’ then surely we are also permitted to doubt. But we must move on. To choose doubt as a philosophy of life is akin to using immobility as a means of transportation.”

Yann Martel

“The only limit to our realization of tomorrow will be our doubts of today. Let us move forward with strong and active faith.”

Franklin D. Roosevelt

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## Unbiblical Feminism, Pt. 2

Christian women in churches of Christ, according to this website’s creators, are victims. They’ve been persecuted. And the way to give those victims justice is by allowing them to serve in every role in the church. But that’s foolishness. Giving someone something that God didn’t want them to have is not sympathetic or generous; it’s sinful. It is a direct violation of God’s will.

Finally, many claim that women in the New Testament served the Lord in many ways, so they should do the same today. To that I say yes and no. Yes, the Bible is filled with godly women who fulfilled their God-given responsibilities in the church. Every church is blessed by faithful

women: they usually comprise a majority of a congregation’s membership. But that doesn’t change God’s stated will for certain roles within the church. It doesn’t open the door for women to serve in ways that would directly violate Scripture.

Women are not victims within churches of Christ. They are not being oppressed simply because their role is different than a man’s. Think of it this way: Is the center on the football team a victim because the coach says he can’t be the quarterback? Is the secretary in the company a victim because he/she is not the CEO? Of course not. God, in His infinite, unfathomable wisdom, has declared how he wants the

church to function. It is up to us to follow that will, not consider certain Christians victims of an outdated Bible.

This is not an issue of judgment, or an area where we can just “agree to disagree.” There are many brethren who are actively trying to change the fundamental doctrines of the Lord’s church. They seem bent on conforming to the practices of the larger denominational community.

But do not fear, no matter which way the wind is blowing, God’s word never changes. May we always submit to it.

James Hayes

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# Pleasant View Proclaimer

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## Unbiblical Feminism, Pt. 1

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You are probably unaware of a website called gal328.org, and I hesitate to bring it to your attention. It is administered by members of the churches of Christ who seek to include women in every aspect of church work, from preaching to the eldership to public prayers. In the “History of gal328” section of the site, Chris Hutson writes, “Pretty much everyone who grew up in the Church of Christ knew the case against women in ministry. But where could anyone find the case for women in ministry? We did not want to dilute our message by giving yet another forum to the voices against women. Having framed the issue as

a matter of “gender justice,” we did not want to use our space to help make a case against justice.”

There are many false assumptions that are made by those who run this site; therefore, their conclusions are bogus. First, Galatians 3:28, the central theme of their movement, states:

“There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.” The context of this verse makes its meaning clear: Everyone who obeys the gospel, regardless of social standing or gender differences, is saved by the blood of Christ—we are all one in Him. This verse,

however, does not define the particular *responsibilities* we have in the church. We all have the same value in Christ, but we do not serve in the same roles. Paul describes preachers, elders, and deacons as men (I Tim. 2:11-15; 3:1-13), and he even explained why it was to be so.

Second, leaders of the gender neutrality movement couch the issue in judicial terms—“gender *justice*.” It is much easier to rally a group of sympathizers to a cause if you say you are advocating on behalf of people who have been mistreated. You can’t have justice unless you have a victim.

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### Items of Note:

- Morgan Craig, the 3-year-old nephew of Faye Head, had surgery on Friday.
- Congratulations to Matthew and Heather Mangold on the birth of their daughter, Ellie Elizabeth. She was born Tuesday, weighing 7 lbs. 7 oz.
- Continue to pray for JW Head, Mildred Walker, Jay and Carolyn Newell, Addie Farmer, Dr. Kent Brantley, J.R. Mitchell, and Rick Reed.

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## Men’s Meeting Tonight At 5:00; Singing At 6:00 Bible Bowl Practice At 5:00

### THOSE WHO WILL SERVE THE CONGREGATION

Sunday School  
Read: E. Walker  
Pray: L. Newell

Morning Worship  
Wait on the Table: Brown  
Serve: Demonbreum, J. Walker, Reed  
Pray: Terry Walker