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## EPISODE 11: HOW TO LEAD NIGHT 2

In this episode, we talk about leading well on the second night of Kalos Track, where we begin to mine the glories of God's creative intent for women. We cover what success looks like, what to expect, and how to love your women in the details of the night.

Here are crib notes for leading the night:

### NIGHT 2: WOMAN

#### OVERVIEW

In this session we will look at some of the foundational truths that Scripture teaches us about "femininity," or what our Triune God's wise and good intentions were in creating women as He did. We'll also consider the effects of sin on these good intentions.

#### THIS SESSION WILL BE A SUCCESS IF:

- We begin to form a Biblical understanding of the unique and beautiful callings of the Triune God on women.
- Our hearts begin to revel in these truths about the glory of femininity as distinct from/complementary to masculinity.

#### WORD

Read and reflect on Genesis 1-3, focusing in on 1:26-31, 2:15-24 and 3:1-19.

- Make note of everything that strikes you about creation pre-sin including: what was good/what was not good, God's creation order, how naming works and what it implies, the equality/distinction of male and female, head/helper language, oneness/complementarity, marriage and sexuality, etc.

- Make note of everything that strikes you about the fall into sin including: nature of the temptation/sin, who the Lord holds accountable first and last, the nature of the curses on Eve, etc.
- What do we learn about the Triune God's intentions for women/femininity from these foundational texts?

Additional texts to be aware of:

- Galatians 3:23, where the Spirit affirms that the promise of the gospel is freely offered to all sinners, male or female, without distinction.
- I Timothy 2:8-15, where the Spirit affirms the import of the male-female distinction, creation order, etc. in the New Covenant/gospel era.

## READING

Read *The Essence of Femininity: A Personal Perspective* by Elisabeth Elliot.

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/tqkqk4d9d3zdy7y/Elisabeth%20Elliot%20Article.pdf?dl=0>

This short article is the "magnus opus" of Kalos Track. Elisabeth was a ferociously holy woman, the kind of woman that Titus 2 and Proverbs 31 and all of Scripture praises. In this article she writes humbly yet forcefully on what it looks like for a woman to humbly and happily embrace the Lord's intentions for her femininity. Notice her resolve and joy in rejecting feminism's notion that "success" for a woman is becoming as much like a man as possible. Elisabeth says "no!" to that, and instead revels in being a woman - *feminine* - to the glory of God.

Read *Male-Female Equality and Male Headship: Genesis 1-3* by Ray Ortlund.

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/9xt5nhpf3tdhkj5/Ray%20Ortlund%20Chapter.pdf?dl=0>

Ray is the brilliant but down-to-earth pastor of Immanuel Church. In this accessible chapter, he provides beneficial exegetical insights into the text that we are talking through. This is a piece from a book on Biblical Manhood and Womanhood, so be aware that Ray is specifically engaging with feminist falsehoods that are a subset of the egalitarianism heresy that dominates our day.

Read *Distinctions Are Good*, a short blog post that celebrates the distinctions that exist in the persons of God and are threaded throughout His creation. We long to get our hearts to a place where, whether we are a man or a woman, we delight in the Lord's specific sexual assignment to us.

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/crrwoax04prpxr/Distinctions%20Are%20Good.pdf?dl=0>

## LISTEN (OPTIONAL)

Here is a link to our sermon on femininity from Genesis 1 and 2. It hits on some of the big themes we will be discussing in this session.

<https://www.buzzsprout.com/3823/271339-eve-holy-femininity>

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