



## A Guide to Resources for Women in Ministry

This pathfinder for Women in Ministry is based on resources that can be found in the Michigan Theological Seminary Library as well as on selected web sites. This guide is intended to assist the researcher in initial research on women in ministry. The MTS Library has a wealth of other resources in this field of study. Please visit the library during open hours or contact the library staff at (734) 207-9581 x-323 for further assistance.

### *Setting Forth the Debate*

- BR 1640 B69 Boyd, Gregory A. and Paul R. Eddy. *Across the Spectrum* (2002). Chapter 16 gives a concise summary of the egalitarian and the complementarian positions.
- BT 704 W55 1986 Mickelsen, Alvera, ed. *Women, Authority & the Bible*. (1986). A series of essays compiled from the Evangelical Colloquium on Women and the Bible, held in 1984.
- BV 676 .W548 1989 Clouse, Bonnidell and Robert G. Clouse, ed. *Women in Ministry: Four Views*. (1989). Four views with responses by Robert D. Culver, Susan Foh, Walter Liefeld & Alvera Mickelsen.
- BR 50 .P45 Kantzer, Kenneth S. and Stanley N. Gundry, ed. *Perspectives on Evangelical Theology*. (1979). Papers from the 30th Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society. Part Four sets forth opposing views of the ordination of women.

### *Complementarian Viewpoint*

- <http://www.cbmw.org> Council for Biblical Manhood and Womanhood Publishes online *Journal for Biblical Manhood and Womanhood*
- BT 704 R415 1991 Piper, John and Wayne Grudem, ed. *Recovering Biblical Manhood & Womanhood: A Response to Evangelical Feminism*. (1991). Exposition and application of complementarianism and the refutation of evangelical feminism.
- BT 704 .G78 Grudem, Wayne. *Evangelical Feminism & Biblical Truth* (2004). Extensive work refuting specific egalitarian arguments.
- BS 2745.6 .W65 W65 Köstenberger, Andreas J. and Thomas R. Schreiner, ed. *Women in the Church: An Analysis and Application of 1 Timothy 2:9-15*. (2005). A scholarly analysis of the Greek text of 1 Timothy 2:9-15 with refutations of egalitarian translation choices.
- Journal Foh, Susan T. "What is the Woman's Desire?" *Westminster Theological Journal*. 37:3 (1975). An analysis of the word translated as 'desire' in Genesis 3:16 and its implications for male-female relationships.
- Journal Packer, J. I. "Let's Stop Making Women Presbyters." *Christianity Today*. (11 Feb 1991): 18-21.



### ***Egalitarian Viewpoint***

<http://www.cbeinternational.org> Christians for Biblical Equality

- BT 704 B28 1985 Publishes *Priscilla Papers*, a quarterly print journal  
Bilezikian, Gilbert. *Beyond Sex Roles: A Guide for the Study of Female Roles in the Bible*. (1985).  
A popular level presentation of the egalitarian viewpoint, with extensive footnotes on a scholarly level.
- BS 680 .S53 D57 Pierce, Ronald W. and Rebecca Merrill Groothuis, ed. *Discovering Biblical Equality: Complementarity without Hierarchy*. (2005).  
An extensive presentation of the egalitarian viewpoint, including history, theology and applications.
- BT 708 .S67 Stackhouse, John G., Jr. *Finally Feminist: A Pragmatic Christian Understanding of Gender*. (2005).  
An unusual hermeneutic leads to an egalitarian understanding of the text with pragmatic applications.
- BV 676 B37 Belleville, Linda L. *Women Leaders and the Church*. (2000).  
“In which ministries can women be involved?” “What roles can women play in society?” and “Can women hold positions of authority?”
- Journal Giles, Kevin. “The Eternal Subordination of the Son of God and the Permanent Subordination of Women.” *Catalyst* 32:3 (2006).  
An argument against subordination in the trinity as a model for women’s subordination to men.

### ***Hermeneutics***

- BS 476 W38 Webb, William J. *Slaves, Women & Homosexuals: Exploring the Hermeneutics of Cultural Analysis*. (2001).  
Redemptive-movement hermeneutic for Biblical interpretation.
- BS 670 .S93 1983 Swartley, Williard M. *Slavery, Sabbath, War & Women: Case Issues in Biblical Interpretation*. (1983).  
An analysis of differing interpretations of each issue and the hermeneutics that lie behind them.
- Journal Maddox, Randy L. “The Word of God and Patriarchalism: A Typology of the Current Christian Debate.” *Perspectives in Religious Studies* 14:3 (1987).  
An examination of the exegetical methods used in the debates on women in ministry.

### ***History of Women in Ministry***

- BR 1642 .U5 H27 Hardesty, Nancy A. *Women Called to Witness*. (1984).  
Evangelical Feminism in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century
- Journal Bridges, Linda McKinnish. “Women in Church Leadership.” *Review & Expositor*. 95:3 (1998)  
A brief review of women in church leadership in the past 150 years.