

Biblical Masculinity



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So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

– Genesis 1:27-28

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SUBDUE [NW1828]: To conquer by force or the exertion of superior power, and bring into permanent subjection; to reduce under dominion. [...] Subduing implies conquest or vanquishing, but it implies also more permanence of subjection to the conquering power, than either of these words.

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DOMINION [NW1828]: Sovereign or supreme authority; the power of governing and controlling.

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“Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong.”

– 1 Corinthians 16:13

Ditches of Deviant Dominion



Deviant Dominion: Pride

**Whoever exalts himself will be humbled,
– Matthew 23:12a**

**But he gives more grace. Therefore it says,
“God opposes the proud but gives grace to
the humble.”**

– James 4:6

Deviant Dominion: Apathy

**Through sloth the roof sinks in, and through
indolence the house leaks.**

– Ecclesiastes 10:18

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For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

– Ephesians 2:10

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And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us

- Acts 17:26-27

Men Under Authority

Only let each person lead the life that the Lord has assigned to him, and to which God has called him. This is my rule in all the churches.

– 1 Corinthians 7:17

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So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

– 1 Corinthians 10:31

Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and do not be harsh with them. Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged. Bondservants, obey in everything those who are your earthly masters, not by way of eye-service, as people-pleasers, but with sincerity of heart, fearing the Lord. [...]

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[...] Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ. For the wrongdoer will be paid back for the wrong he has done, and there is no partiality.

– Colossians 3:18-25

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