

HEAD COVERING

1CORINTHIANS 11:2-16

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THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE COVERING

- WORN EVEN AT CHRISTIAN WEDDINGS!
- THE COVERING IS A PHYSICAL SIGN OF A SPIRITUAL REALITY
- IT PROCLAIMS TWO FUNDAMENTAL TRUTHS
 - AS BEING UNDER DIVINE AUTHORITY
 - IT HONOURS GOD'S ORDER
- THE SYMBOL DOES NOT PROVIDE ASSURANCE OF ANY SORT
- THE OUTWARD SIGN SHOULD ONLY BE WORN IF IT REFLECT THE INWARD HEART



WHO SHOULD WEAR IT?

- THOSE THAT HAVE RECEIVED 'THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS' (2COR 8:9)
 - THOSE THAT ARE SAVED.
- THE CONTEXT IS 1 COR 11:5 'BUT EVERY WOMAN THAT PRAYS...'
 - SPIRITUAL WOMEN



AT WHAT AGE SHOULD I WEAR IT?

- WHEN SHE UNDERSTANDS THE MEANING OF THE SIGN.
- WHEN SHE IS CONVICTED OF ITS TRUTH
- 'WHAT HINDERS ME...' (ACTS 8:36) SEEKS TO HONOUR GOD



WHEN SHOULD I WEAR IT?

- SOME SAY ALL THE TIME?
- SOME SAY BEFORE YOU ENTER THE MEETING?
- ONLY DURING SOME MEETINGS?



THE TYPE OF COVERING USED

- SHOULD NOT BE A FASHION ACCESSORY
- QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF;
 - SUFFICIENT LENGTH?
 - DOES IT COVER MY HAIR?
 - IS IT QUESTIONABLE?

WHY DID THE PRIEST WHERE A COVERING?

"AND THESE ARE THE GARMENTS WHICH THEY SHALL MAKE: A BREASTPLATE, AN EPHOD,[A] A ROBE, A SKILLFULLY WOVEN TUNIC, A TURBAN, AND A SASH. SO THEY SHALL MAKE HOLY GARMENTS FOR AARON YOUR BROTHER AND HIS SONS, THAT HE MAY MINISTER TO ME AS PRIEST" (EXODUS 28:4).

- 1. JEWS ARE FORBIDDEN TO WALK FOUR CUBITS WITHOUT A KIPPAH
- 2. THE O/T SAINT HAD AN IMPERFECT HEAD I.E. THE HIGH PRIEST
- 3. THE N/T SAINT HAS A PERFECT HEAD I.E. THE LORD JESUS



OBJECTION 1 – PROSTITUTION

- THE APOSTLE DOES APPEAL TO A LOCAL PROBLEM
- HE DOES NOT APPEAL TO A PROBLEM OUTSIDE OF THE ASSEMBLY I.E.
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OBJECTION 2 - PAUL'S CHAUVINISM

- IF THE APOSTLE THOUGHT LESS OF WOMEN THEN WHY WOULD HE WRITE GALATIANS 3:28

 OR EPHESIANS 5:25
- "I IMPLORE EUODIA AND I IMPLORE SYNTYCHE TO BE OF THE SAME MIND IN THE LORD. 3
 AND[A] I URGE YOU ALSO, TRUE COMPANION, HELP THESE WOMEN WHO LABORED WITH ME
 IN THE GOSPEL, WITH CLEMENT ALSO, AND THE REST OF MY FELLOW WORKERS, WHOSE
 NAMES ARE IN THE BOOK OF LIFE" (PHIL 4:2-3).
- "I COMMEND TO YOU PHOEBE OUR SISTER, WHO IS A SERVANT OF THE CHURCH IN CENCHREA, 2 THAT YOU MAY RECEIVE HER IN THE LORD IN A MANNER WORTHY OF THE SAINTS, AND ASSIST HER IN WHATEVER BUSINESS SHE HAS NEED OF YOU; FOR INDEED SHE HAS BEEN A HELPER OF MANY AND OF MYSELF ALSO" (ROMANS 16:1-2).

OBJECTION 3 – HAIR IS A COVERING

- IF WE INTERPRET THE HAIR AS A SUFFICIENT COVERING THEN IN VERSE 4 THE MAN MUST SHAVE HIS HEAD
- VERSES 2-16 WOULD BE POINTLESS SINCE WHY WOULD THE APOSTLE SPEND SO MUCH TIME TALKING ABOUT A WOMAN'S HAIR SINCE WOMEN DON'T NORMALLY SHAVE THEIR HAIR.