

Session 8 Study Questions

Role of Men in the Church

Man as Teacher – Moses

“Hear now, O Israel, the decrees and laws I am about to teach you...Do not add to what I command you and do not subtract from it, but keep the commands of the Lord your God that I give you.” Deuteronomy 1:1, 2

“If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God.” I Peter 4:4

1. Teaching is generally not valued in our society, according to most commentators. Do you agree with this? If so, give some examples of teaching not being valued. How do you reconcile this lack of value with the high expectations we place upon our schools today?
2. Do we believe that teaching is women’s work? If so, give some examples. In what areas do we expect men rather than women to teach?
3. What are our expectations for male teachers in the church? Do they vary for teachers of children compared to teachers of adults? What do we value in a male teacher? Is serious study of the Bible as necessary a qualification for our male teachers today as in the past?
4. What type and degree of training do we expect from our ministers in terms of teaching? To what extent does this vary across congregations?

5. Moses was the lawgiver yet he also was someone most interested in teaching. Can you identify some passages of scripture which highlight the emphasis Moses placed on teaching?

6. In what ways was Moses educated as a teacher?

7. Should every man who is a Christian aspire to be a teacher? If so, list some of the ways a man can teach other than standing before a class.

8. If men are to take teaching in the church seriously, suggest some evidences that men are serious about teaching.

9. How can the church demonstrate to its members that teaching is valued by men?

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