

Rejection Of Divine Authority (Part 1)

Matthew 21:23-27

1

Rejection Of Divine Authority

Every generation faces the adversary.

- 1 Peter 5:8
- ▶ Exodus 30 People ask Aaron to make for them "gods which shall go before us."
- ▶ Judges 2:10 People worship idols.
- ▶ 1 Samuel 8 People ask for a king.
- ▶ Woman's role in the church. 1 Timothy 2:11-12; 1 Corinthians 14:34-35
- ▶ Marriage, Divorce & Remarriage. Matthew 19:9

2

Rejection Of Divine Authority

Joshua 24:15 "And if it seem evil unto you to serve Jehovah, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve Jehovah."

- ▶ cf. Jeremiah 6:16

Rejection Of Divine Authority

Rejection: Romans 1:18ff
Submission: Romans 6:16ff

Your Choice!

Rejection Of Divine Authority - In The Home

Man's role ...

- ▶ Leave and cleave. Genesis 2:24; Ephesians 5:25ff
- ▶ Dwell with her. 1 Peter 3:7
- ▶ Provide spiritually. Ephesians 6:4

5

Rejection Of Divine Authority - In The Home

Woman's role ...

- ▶ Subjection. Ephesians 5:22-24, 33.
- ▶ Reverence (*fobeoo*). "To reverence, venerate, to treat with deference or reverential obedience" (Thayer)
- ▶ To love her husband, to love her children. Titus 2:4-5

6

Rejection Of Divine Authority – In The Home

Woman's role ...

Proverbs 31:26–29 “She openeth her mouth with wisdom; And the law of kindness is on her tongue. She looketh well to the ways of her household, And eateth not the bread of idleness. Her children rise up, and call her blessed; Her husband (also), and he praiseth her, (saying): Many daughters have done worthily, But thou excellest them all.”

7

Rejection Of Divine Authority – In The Home

Evidence of change.

1. A recent Pew Forum survey said 39 percent of Americans believe marriage is obsolete.
2. The U.S. Census reports that 41 percent of births in America are to parents who are unmarried.
3. Today nearly 60 percent of American adults believe sex between an unmarried man and woman is morally acceptable.
4. Only 40 percent think it's wrong to have sex outside of marriage.
5. 58 percent favor same-sex marriage.

8

Rejection Of Divine Authority – In The Home

Effect upon children.

- Little chance of survival. cf. Deuteronomy 6:6–9; Judges 2:10
- No example. Ephesians 6:4
- Unresolved sin develops the “I’m through” attitude. cf. Ephesians 4:31–32
- Moral values decline. 1 Corinthians 6:9ff; 5:6

9