

## Wife Takeover

How many married men are in the room? Have you ever felt like killing yourself? Statistics show that 18,000 American husbands kill themselves every year.<sup>1</sup> Has it ever entered your mind? If 18,000 married or divorced men kill themselves, how many more attempt to kill themselves or consider it? It goes right back to the Fall and Gen 3:16-19; everything goes back to this. Is a woman's desire *for* her husband?

What does it mean exactly that a woman's desire would be *for* her husband? Certainly, it is not limited to her physical desire. Her desire can be either good or evil. If what she says and how she says it subverts or undermines the husband's authority, it would be accomplishing the purpose of the evil one — to cast off restraint and oppose authority. The more subtle the evil, the more insidious the destruction. Is the husband's rule good or evil?

Gen 3:16-19 is the way our Father provided for people of the nations to live after the Fall. That does not mean that woman was *not* to be ruled by her husband *before* the Fall. Paul said in 1 Cor 11:9 that woman was created *for* man. If she was created for man, then man will rule over her. That rule, of course, can be good or bad. To rule would rightly mean to provide protection for her. A king is supposed to provide protection for his people; they live on the mountain or the hill and see everything going on, they see all the people working down below, and they see the armies of the enemy approaching. A king will go into battle to keep the enemy from invading his kingdom and killing his people. That is what a king does, he protects and rules. Rulership is good.

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<sup>1</sup> Based on estimates from figures and ratios found in the United States Census Bureau *Statistical Abstract of the United States 2001-2005*, last revised Thursday, 06-Oct-2005 17:50:16 EDT

<http://www.census.gov/prod/www/statistical-abstract-04.html>

See also: John L. McIntosh, Ph.D., "U.S.A. Suicide: 2002 Official Final Data," *American Association of Suicidology*, September 26, 2004: pg. 1; <http://www.suicidology.org>

Of course, there are bad rulers, but in fact they are not rulers at all if they are not good. They are tyrants, and a tyrant is not a ruler.

A husband is to rule his wife. A wife's desire is to be for her husband, but it could be to take over, according to whether the motive is good or evil. It is right there in Gen 3:22 — God is good; Satan is evil. So therefore a woman's desire can be to take over (to overrule, to be the ruler) if she doesn't want to be in subjection to her husband. That is when the term *male chauvinist* is brought up.

We want to help people understand why 18,000 husbands each year may have killed themselves, and what it is that makes them feel like going beyond the boundaries of Gen 3:16-19 and 22. The second covenant is the way the nations are supposed to live after the fall of man, according to each one's conscience. A woman has a conscience and a man has a conscience. He rules by his conscience and her desire is ruled by her conscience.

Gen 4:7 — Our Father said to Cain that sin's desire is for him and he must *master* it (rule over it). "You must master that evil desire that is upon you to kill your brother." But he didn't master it and then his punishment was more than he could bear. "Wife takeover" is due to both man and wife not living according to Gen 3:22. Is the man ruling well? Is the woman's desire good? It could be that her desire is evil. It is according to how they listen to the conscience that our Father has put in them. The conscience is God's vice-regent in man, and it is the only hope the nations have of not going to the second death, but attaining to a second life.

The fulfillment of Gen 3:15 is a long way off. It is talking about the seed of the woman and the seed of the serpent. Cain became a follower of Satan; he received Satan's seed and became the first murderer. But our Father did not take Cain's life immediately, but sent him out for a purpose. Now you can see in Gen 6:5 what happens to the whole earth if you don't execute murderers — all of Cain's descendants became just like him. Satan's seed went into them and most of Seth's offspring became like Cain as well, until

there were only eight righteous people left on the earth after 1000 years. Satan's seed took over the whole earth, and the same is happening today.

The wife's takeover is due to both man and wife: man when he is not ruling properly, and woman when her desire is fertilized by Satan's seed (Jms 1:14-15), which is to circumvent, destroy, or turn around everything God wanted to do with man and woman after the Fall.

Gen 3:22 — Good and evil will be the criteria of judgment when God will judge all of mankind. This is the judgment which will determine each person's eternal destiny. It is normal (in keeping with natural law) for a woman's desire to be good and for a man's rule to be good. Anything other than that on the earth today is a perversion. God hates perverts who pervert justice (Pr 3:32, NKJ). God's will, and all that is in His heart because of the love that He has for His highest creation, is being perverted and destroyed by Satan's seed.

Rom 2:14-16 — Judgment is based on every secret thing, every secret motive that a person has. It says *every secret* in verse 16. What is behind a woman's desire to overtake her husband? 1 Cor 4:5 NAS — Every *secret* and every *motive* will be judged on the Day of Judgment; you can't hide anything (Mk 4:22). Rev 14:12-13; 20:12-13 — Every deed that a person does, everything and the motive behind it, will be remembered, including a woman's desire and the motive behind it.

The man who will allow the woman to overrule him feels like a dog afterward. He feels as if he has been lowered to something that would cause him to take his own life. He has been so dragged down by it he could just kill himself. It is like what people say, "I feel so bad, I just feel like killing myself." Every year 18,000 husbands do.

The wife's tendency will be to take over headship of the husband. That could have been what our Father meant there in Genesis about the wife's tendency, "Be careful to master the tendency for your desire to take over your husband's rule." If the wife takes over, then all hell breaks loose, causing havoc, and then everything else breaks down.

But today if the husband resists that tendency he is labeled as a male chauvinist.<sup>2</sup> By “male chauvinist” they mean a man who shows prejudice against women, someone who perhaps shows aggression towards women. But the woman is not indicted whatsoever for her aggressive takeover of the husband. She is not called a “female chauvinist.” It is always the male that is the chauvinist, because he won’t let the woman take over.

If a male chauvinist is a man who believes he should rule over his wife, then who is worse — the male chauvinist or the submissive husband? Ephesians brings Gen 3:16-19 right into the New Covenant. *Now* we are to set all things straight on the earth as the light of the world (Mt 5:14-16; Jn 3:19-21). We are going to be a light to the nations, the salt of the earth.

Eph 5:22-33 shows the proper order of things. You could say, “Oh, well, we are all believers now, we have the Holy Spirit, so we don’t need anyone to rule in our lives because we are all ruled by the Holy Spirit. So, we can just throw submission to authority right out the window.” But it is right there in the New Covenant (1 Cor 11:3; Eph 5:23; 1 Pet 3:1) that the husband is the head of the wife, and the wife is subject to him. That is in the New Covenant, so how much more does the world have to struggle to keep that order? You can see how the world has all gone crazy. We, therefore, are to be a light to the nations that the nations could see us setting things straight for them. They should see what we are doing and how we are doing it and be convicted by it.

The feminists go crazy about a woman submitting to a man because they don’t understand; they are from Satan’s seed. Submitting to redeemed man’s rule means you will be protected. Rulers protect, and so to *submit* is to be protected; the one you submit to protects you. I am sure it is not supposed to be said that the woman is the “weaker

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<sup>2</sup> Chauvinism — exaggerated or aggressive patriotism; excessive or prejudiced support or loyalty for one’s own cause, group, or sex.

vessel,” but the man is the protector and the woman is the protectorate. The *protectorate* is the one who is being protected. A king protects his little village, so he is the *protector*.

Eph 5:22-33 should set things straight just as 1 Pet 3:1-7 should set things straight. These things should set the man straight as well, as you can see in verse 7. You husbands have to watch yourselves, or your prayers will not be answered, if you are not treating your wife right. If your prayers are hindered you are just like a gentile; so therefore the wife, in that sense, has the advantage. If you don't live with her in an understanding way, you are cut off from your Father in heaven and your prayers will be hindered. We have to set that straight, too.

It is the “female chauvinist syndrome” that causes 18,000 husbands to kill themselves. Why? Maybe it is Gen 4:7. That desire in woman to overrule is like Gen 4:7 — its desire is for woman and she must master it. Cain had to master that desire. Why should he be expected to do that when man is fallen anyway, totally degraded and depraved? If Cain was depraved, then of course Seth was depraved, and Abel was depraved, and Noah was depraved; and so everyone who came after them was depraved. But they *weren't* depraved! Cain *became* depraved in the process of receiving Satan's seed. Seth didn't receive Satan's seed, but later on his descendants did.

So sin's desire is for you, but you must master it. The nations are accountable to that. They are accountable to master the evil desire that comes to them to do all the things they do, especially to become rich, which is an evil desire that plunges a person into destruction (1 Tim 6:9). You can see that desire is evil; it is not a good desire. Jms 1:14 — Satan tempts us according to our desire. So then obviously, somewhere along the line Eve had a desire to eat the fruit that was forbidden. Then Satan latched on to that. It was conceived right there; it was a seed that was conceived in her, and a baby came forth, and that baby was death (Jms 1:14-15).

It is the serpent at work in both the takeover of the wives and in the cowardice of the husbands. Cowardly husbands are of Satan's seed. What if you are too much of a

coward to go to your brother and talk to him about what he is doing? It is cowardly, and where does that come from — God or your father the evil one? There is a source of everything that comes to us, and there is no middle ground.

Are you a husband? Have you ever felt like killing yourself? Tell the truth. I am not just talking to you, I am talking to the people we are writing to. Many people, probably even in the Body, have felt like killing themselves. When do you feel like killing yourself? When your wife is not submissive and does not show respect for you? When she starts to take over and you become the submissive one? Do you become the submissive one to try to win her? Do you swap roles and become submissive instead of your wife being submissive to win you? It may seem to work, but it is destructive. It is positive on one end and negative on the other, if the husbands have to be the one to submit in order to win the wife.

1 Cor 11:9 says woman was created *for* man, but that was *before* the Fall. Weren't they created before the Fall? So what was woman created for before the Fall? It was for the same purpose as after the Fall. Man was not created for the woman's sake, but woman for the man's sake. So there it is right there: submission and headship. Was Adam not ruling over his wife? Why did she have that desire in the first place? Even when they were righteous this happened. It was the predetermined understanding of our Father in order to someday have a universe *filled* with people who have been tested — not people who have not been tested.

Well, that was pretty bad of our Father to allow the serpent to come into Eve, and have man fall and doom everyone afterward, wasn't it? Well, what else could He do? What would you do? Would you create people who were just robots? Would you want to marry a robot who was programmed to serve you? She could care less about you! "Oh, I am just a robot. I don't have a will of my own." But it is the will that matters; only those who have a will for Him will rule and have a second life.

Since man has a will, then you have to find out what he has a will for. Is it for the woman's seed or for the serpent's seed? It is right there for everyone to choose. The fruit is still there, and you can eat it if you want to.

A perverted instinct is at work when the woman starts to take over. Her desire has been perverted. Rom 1:18-20 says that the knowledge of the truth is instinctive in man. From the time man was created he has seen the earth and the sky and all that has been made. Man can clearly see God's invisible qualities, His eternal power, and His divine nature. They have no excuse. The truth about God is known to them instinctively, for God has put this knowledge into their hearts. He has put the knowledge of good and evil into their hearts.

Then man stands before Him and says, "I didn't know. Nobody told me. I just did all these evil things because no one ever told me they were evil." The question could be asked,

*"Are you a human being?"*

*"Yes, I am a human being."*

*"Well, God put it in your heart to know good and evil, and you did the evil; you knew you were doing the evil, didn't you? You knew the good to do and did not do it."*

When they stand before Him in judgment there is *no* excuse. What if our Father just said, "Well, I forgive you. Just say, 'I'm sorry.' Then you can go into the nations and have eternal life." Would that be right? No! I'm sorry, doesn't work. It doesn't work with our children, does it? I don't think our Father is going to forgive anyone unless he is truly repenting and really has sorrow for what he has done. And I don't know whether anyone is going to have sorrow if he is *still* that way, will he? He will keep on being that way if that is how he has lived his whole life.

There has to be a restoration somehow, and the only way a man in the world can be *restored* (not *redeemed* but *restored*) is through keeping the covenant of conscience — knowing good and evil, and doing the good and not the evil. It is not that he will be

perfect, but he will not be so bad that he is going to go to the second death. Gen 3:16 does not preclude restoration (prevent it or make it impossible), but it is the source of restoration.

Gen 3:22 — Our Father had to block the way to the tree of life to keep mankind from going back into the Garden and eating of it, because if they did they would have lived forever in their sin. There is no telling what would have happened to the earth if they had eaten of the tree of life in their fallen condition. They probably would have colonized the universe like that; Satan would have just taken over.

Woman is to be the submissive one, but today you could say that she “wears the pants in the family.” It used to be, when that saying first came out, that the women normally wore dresses and the men would wear the pants. Now the women wear the pants in the family, so there has been a swapping of roles. That is where the word *transvestite* comes from: men put on women’s clothes because they want that sexual pleasure that they get out of putting on woman’s clothes and parading around in them. It is a perversion.

Husbands, to rule your wife is to guide her, to protect her, to direct her so that she won’t end up directing you. It takes accountability on our part for this to happen. Being redeemed people we really have to pray about this. The women especially have to pray that they would be sensible. They must not receive another spirit, but always remain in the role of being submissive. The husband gives the wife liberty to act on his behalf if she doesn’t overstep her boundaries. The husband knows the wife’s heart; he knows whether she is overstepping her boundaries or not. It is up to the husband who is filled with the Holy Spirit and to the wife also who is filled with the Holy Spirit to make this happen.

If the wife is not being filled with the Holy Spirit the husband has to direct her and guide her and lead her, so that she won’t bring something in that is perverted. Otherwise, your wife will end up directing you, and that is what will make you feel like a



dog. It takes all your masculinity away; it emasculates you and makes you feel worthless. That is why these husbands end up killing themselves. We want to write a paper explaining this because it is happening in America today. It is not the reason for every suicide, but I would say that this principle is at work and our Father wants people to know about it. It's what is taking over the earth, this reversal of what is normal and right. People will be running around naked pretty soon because everything is reversing. Our Father said to put on clothes, so Satan's seed will say, "Take them off."

This reversal makes you feel like a dog with its head down, not knowing what to do. You feel so dragged down you could kill yourself. Worthlessness is the only reason a person would kill himself. We hear about people killing themselves all the time. Children are killing themselves everywhere because they feel like dogs. They go to public schools and get involved in all kinds of things, like teen pregnancy, and they just feel like killing themselves. About 70 percent of births to black people in this country are out of wedlock, and about 20 percent of births to white people are out of wedlock.<sup>3</sup>

In 1973, the Supreme Court of the United States decided that most laws against abortion were unconstitutional, and they overturned all state laws outlawing or restricting abortion. Well, what if all these babies who were not even wanted, whether white or black, ended up having babies? Who would want them? Who would lead them and guide them and mentor them and discipline them? They would grow up to rob and murder other people, and that is exactly what is happening. Would it have been better if they had been aborted than to be raised to go to hell? Wouldn't you rather have been aborted than to be raised to go to hell?

Once you are born, your eternal destiny soon becomes your responsibility; your eternal destiny is right there before you, and it is not up to anyone else but you what it

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<sup>3</sup> United States Department of Health and Human Services. *Report to Congress on Out-of-Wedlock Childbearing*, September, 1995, DHHS Publication # (PHS) 95-1257

will be. It would have been better if you had been aborted if you are just going to be raised to go to hell; or are you going to turn your life over to the Creator? If you don't, it would have been better if you had miscarried.

Out of almost a billion sperm cells you got there first. You went into the ovum, the egg, and conception happened. It might have been better for any of us if we had been one of the millions that died on the way *if* we hadn't become believers. But that is not what happened. You are the one that got there first, and now *you* are responsible — you are either privileged or cursed — it is your decision.

If I had never found our Master Yahshua it would have been so much better if I had never been born. Our Master said it would have been better if Judas had never been born. It would have been better for *him* if he had miscarried or been aborted, not that it would have been better for his mother. I am not advocating abortion. I am just saying that it would have been better for him in the judgment. So are you glad that you are one of the millions of sperm cells that made it? Are you happy about it, or are you sad?

What about squabbles between husbands and wives? They say, "It takes two to tango," and it takes two to argue. There are 18,000 marital squabbles, according to the statistics, that could have been subdued by submission. I wonder how many wives kill themselves? What is the percentage of wives who kill themselves against the number of husbands?<sup>4</sup> About four times more husbands are killing themselves than wives, so what does that say about male chauvinism? Why is it that a wife has to leave her husband anyway? I don't think husbands are killing themselves because they feel so bad about ruling over their wives. They kill themselves because they feel like dogs. They feel like dogs because someone has supplanted them as rulers, taking the position that is normally given to them according to natural law.

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<sup>4</sup> In the year 2002, in the United States there were 25,409 males who committed suicide versus 6,246 females. (American Association of Suicidology, 2002 USA Final Statistics, [www.suicidology.org](http://www.suicidology.org)) This 4:1 or higher proportion of male suicides to women was typical also in Europe, Canada, and Australia.

Read Isa 24:5 — what happens? The Everlasting Covenant is not even in view anymore, and only a few righteous are left on the earth. What is going to happen to most people on the earth? They are going to be burned, and then they are going to curse God (Rev 16:8-9). Many will be burned. The sun will get so hot they will just start burning and won't be able to do anything about it. But they will not repent.

We are going to have to do something about this. We are going to have to be the prime examples. Husbands should pray, "Father, let me be the husband I am supposed to be." Wives should pray, "Abba, let me be the wife I am supposed to be." And children, "Let me be the child I am supposed to be. Let me love my parents. Let me be obedient to them, pay attention to what they say to me." If this doesn't happen, it would have been better if you had never been born.

One time you were in your imma's womb and you didn't die in birth. You weren't miscarried, and now you are responsible for your life, to be obedient to your parents, to be respectful to them. Your parents are rulers, aren't they? They are going to rule over you, and that doesn't mean that they are tyrants. They are ruling so they can protect you, just as shepherds protect the flock. Don't shepherds protect the sheep? Did David do that? (1 Sam 17:34-37). Ruling means protecting.

1 Pet 5:1-7 — It is talking about our children and women here, too, "Humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God and in due time He will raise you up." But rulers, you ought to rule as our Master Yahshua would rule — just like Him. If you don't, you are not a ruler. If you don't then He didn't commission you, He didn't ordain you as a ruler, if you don't rule like Him. Pay attention!

**ha-êmeq** — Today, Yônêq told me I should read the first part of this book that our brother Yochanan Abraham is writing. I was surprised because I thought it would just talk about slavery, but the first part of the book is about his life story. It went through his time as a soldier in Vietnam and how people were killed right next to him. He described how he had to drag the dead bodies around, and if you know Yochanan, then you know how

he really can be vivid with words. He talked about the sound of the bombs and the blood, but in that story there is one sentence that stood out to me.

It said that when he was 13 years old, the worst and most traumatic thing in his whole life happened to him. It was when his mother told him she was going to divorce his father. To him, out of all those other things that happened in the war, the most traumatic thing, the thing that just tore him up the most, was his parents' divorce. Somehow he was sent over to his grandparents' house, and he heard his mother say about his father, "Oh, Joe is on the phone crying and crying, saying, 'Please talk her into not leaving me. Please talk her into it...'"

Yochanan said he just ran out of the house, because he knew his father shouldn't be crying for his mother, pleading for his mother not to do this to him. He said, "Fathers don't do that; fathers don't cry." He said it deeply affected him and he changed after that. He got really quiet and separated himself, because he was just crushed inside that his father had been emasculated like that, just dragged down and flattened out by his mother. Those were the two most important people in his life at that point, his father and mother. He had hardly any relationships with anyone else, and this mother of his rises up, and his father is just flattened and crying while his mother just goes on with her career.

Out of all the other things that happened to him, that was the most horrible thing, because he was resting in a secure nest inside the vows of marriage that his parents had made. They vowed to love one another for the rest of their lives, "till death do us part." So the children get laid in that nice little nest, and they are happy there, secure, warm and growing. Then, all of a sudden, they are dumped out of the nest, and the father is crying and the mother takes over. A thing like that just crushes human beings. It is so evil, and it really injects into a person that desire to destroy.

It really shows how devastating wife takeover is to human life. Our Father warned about it in the beginning. He placed the husband directly over the woman, and the woman was to listen and submit to him. I am sure Yochanan's mother thought she could do better than his father. It is a very evil thing that women think they can do better. If you compare the rule of Queen Mary to the rule of King James, which one was the better ruler? That desire to usurp man's rule has been in us since the Fall, and it is something that will destroy right down to the very end.

I want to be the support that I was created to be and rule over that thing in me that would rise up to take over. I do have something to rule

over, and it's not my husband. I have something in *me* to rule over, and that is enough — ruling over that thing in me that would destroy.

There are a lot of women here who could have the tendency to take over, but they subdue it and rule over it. It takes a greater character in a person to rule over it. The tendency is there, but we have to rule over it and master it. You have to sublimate it, channeling it into a higher purpose. If we do that there is just no telling what could happen. Imagine if we would sublimate all these tendencies and put them into higher channels! We are going to take off, right off the ground.

**David Zerubbabel** — When you were talking about a king watching from a high place with a mind to protect his people, like King David for instance, I thought about how today you read about rulers, presidents, and prime ministers being protected at all cost in bomb-proof bunkers. But it used to be that the king would lead into battle.

So, there is the king and his glory is in his rulership and how he protects his people, but suppose he sees his enemy coming and abdicates his rulership out of fear and cowardice. That is what struck me the most. What is a coward? He will not take on the responsibility of protecting someone else, protecting his wife and children.

We must not abdicate our role or responsibility to rule out of the fear of crossing the will of our wife, or our children, or incurring the wrath of the society around us. Otherwise, if we do abdicate our rulership, that is what leaves us with that worthless feeling. And in fact, if we abdicate our rule, then we *are* worthless, because we are right there in Rev 21:8 with all the rest of the filthy and the unjust, because we are cowards and we are unbelieving.

**Yonadab ben Haggai of Ruben** — When Yônêq was asking me the question about having been born, I saw that it would have been better for me to not have been born if I don't give my whole life to our Master Yahshua and trust the Body. I want to be wholehearted for Him.

**ha-êmeq** — Think of the word *groom*. *Groom* is the word you use for caring for an animal, as in “groom the horse.” To groom would mean to brush or clean. The bride's groom is the one who rules over her and takes care of her. Someone who takes care of animals always has to clip things, cut things, brush things, and that is what it means to take care of them. A husband is actually like one who is involved in animal husbandry. Animal husbandry is ruling over animals, whether it is training them, correcting

them, grooming them, feeding them, keeping them in line, it all involves husbandry. That is what husbandry is all about. So that is where the name *husband* comes from, and that is the very stuff they are supposed to do.

**Sarah** — It has not been that long since this society has started to get turned upside down. That saying about “wearing the pants in the family” is really not that old. It was probably a reaction to the women who were totally out of line and out of order. What is considered normal and accepted now was considered totally out of order and disgraceful behavior not long ago. It was absurd to see these out-of-control women behave the way they did, and end up wearing the pants. I am just grateful to have heard that 1 Cor 11:3 is going to be a witness of the restoration of all things, that this order would be put back in place in reality. I am thankful that we can learn these things. It is probably the kind of thing that seems so simple, but it is the very thing that will put to shame the wisdom of the world.

Recently, William J. Bennett, the former United States Secretary of Education, was condemned for a comment he made during a discussion on his talk show, “Morning in America.” A caller on the show had made a comment about abortion, and Mr. Bennett referred to a book which he said argued that the legalization of abortion is one of the reasons the crime rate has declined in recent decades. “If it were your sole purpose to reduce crime,” Mr. Bennett said, “you could abort every black baby in this country, and your crime rate would go down.<sup>5</sup> That would be an impossible, ridiculous, and morally reprehensible thing to do, but your crime rate would go down.” All sorts of people had a hard time with him because it is politically incorrect to say that, even though it is true — it’s a fact. The reason all those babies are aborted is because they don’t have parents — they are not wanted, they were accidents that happened with no forethought. Mr. Bennett was not advocating abortion, but some people are trying to make it sound as though that is what he was saying. But they should have a hard time with our Master, who said it would have been better for Judas if he had never been born.

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<sup>5</sup> Brian Faler, “Bennett Under Fire for Remark on Crime and Black Abortions,” *Special to The Washington Post*, Friday, September 30, 2005, page A05.