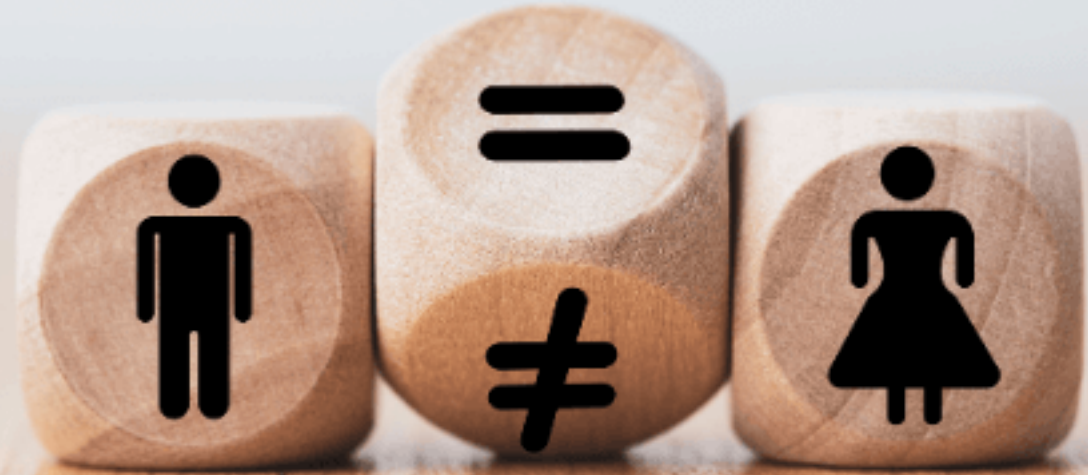




A WOMAN'S PLACE

SECOND CLASS CITIZENS?



- **WOMEN** PRODUCE **80%** OF THE WORLD'S FOOD BUT ARE THE **FIRST TO GO HUNGRY.**
- **70%** OF THOSE **LIVING IN POVERTY** ARE **WOMEN.**
- **1%** OF THE **TITLED LAND** IS OWNED BY **WOMEN.**
- **67%** OF **ILLITERATE ADULTS** ARE **WOMEN.**
- A **WOMAN** MAKES **71%** OF WHAT A MAN DOES **IN THE SAME ROLE** IN CANADA.

IT'S ALSO A **PROBLEM** IN THE **CHURCH:**

- SOME CHURCHES WON'T LET **WOMEN TEACH** OR **HOLD LEADERSHIP ROLES.**
- SOME EXPECT **WOMEN** TO **REMAIN SILENT** DURING CHURCH SERVICES.
- SOME HAVE **DRESS & CONDUCT CODES** FOR **WOMEN**, WHEN NO SUCH RULES EXIST FOR MEN.



NO LONGER VALID

THERE IS NO LONGER
**JEW OR GENTILE,
SLAVE OR FREE,
MALE AND FEMALE.**

**FOR YOU
ARE ALL ONE
IN CHRIST JESUS.**
-GALATIANS 3:28 (NLT)

To those who use
well what they are
given, even more will be
given, **and they will**
have an abundance. **But**
from those who do
nothing, even what
little they have will be
taken away.

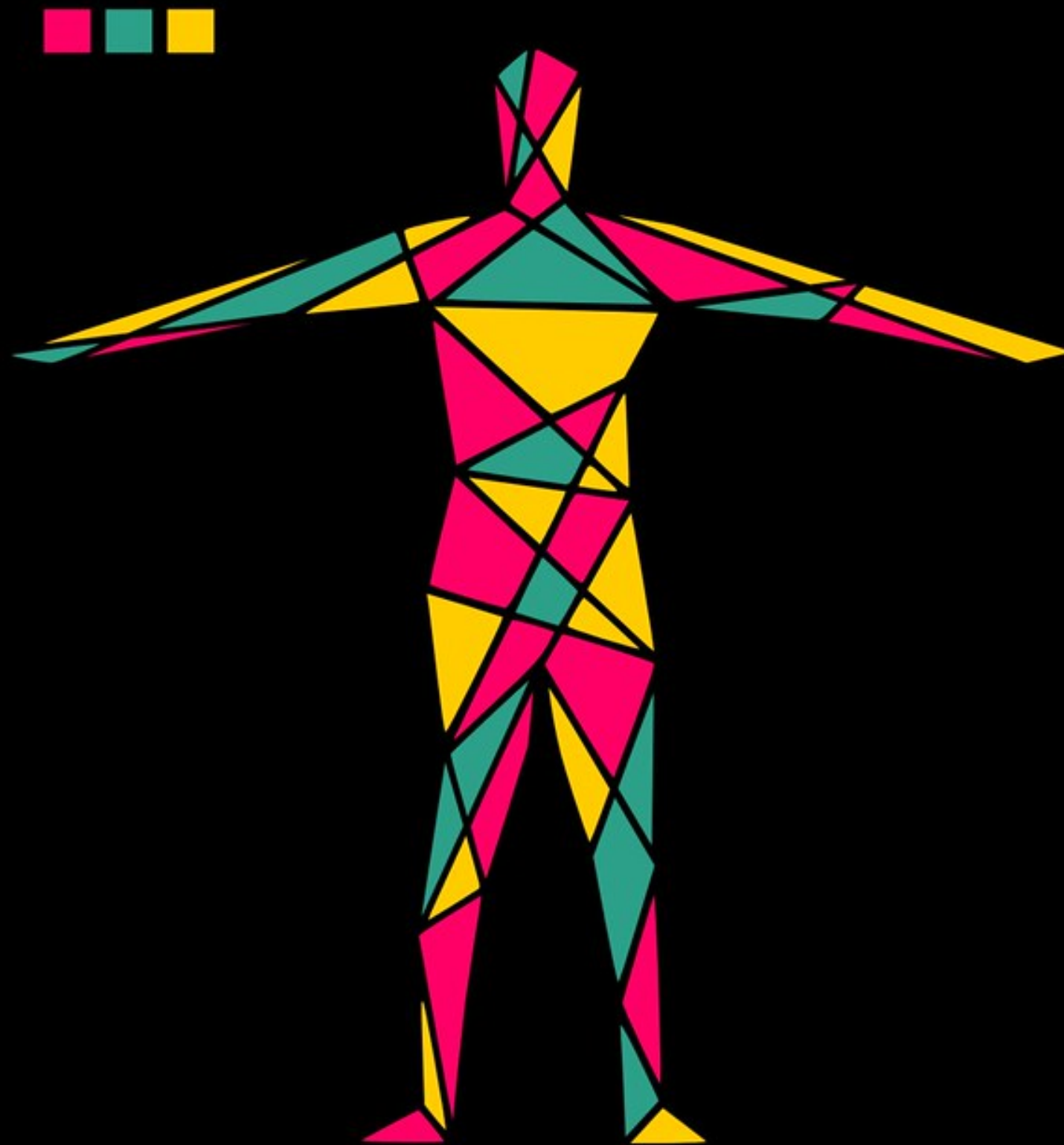
Matthew 25:29

Therefore I tell
you, the
kingdom of
God will be
taken away
from you and
given to a
people
producing its
fruits.

Matthew 21:43

**“WHILE WE LIVE IN A CULTURE WHERE SIN CREATES BARRIERS ACCORDING TO ETHNICITY, GENDER, & CLASS,
IN CHRIST THESE ARE IRRELEVANT AND ULTIMATELY IMPOTENT IN DETERMINING OUR WORTH & SERVICE.” - MIMI HADAD**

ONE BODY



ONE BODY, MANY PARTS
1 COR 12:27

- THE **IMAGE OF GOD** IS EXHIBITED IN CREATION BY BOTH **MALE & FEMALE**.
- BOTH **MAN & WOMAN** WERE HELD **RESPONSIBLE** FOR **SINNING** AGAINST GOD.
- BOTH **MEN & WOMEN** EXPERIENCE **CONSEQUENCES OF SIN**.
- BOTH **MEN & WOMEN** ARE **REDEEMED** BY JESUS' SUBSTITUTIONARY DEATH.
- BOTH **MEN & WOMEN** HAVE BEEN GIVEN THE **GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**.
- BOTH **MEN & WOMEN** WILL EXPERIENCE THE **RESTORATION OF ALL THINGS**.

If Paul intended women to not hold certain spiritual gifts, these passages would be the perfect place to state this. Not once does Paul suggest or state that the spiritual gifts are given along gender lines.

- ARE BOTH **MEN & WOMEN** PART OF THE **BODY OF CHRIST**?
- ARE BOTH **MEN & WOMEN** GIFTED BY THE **HOLY SPIRIT**?
- WILL BOTH **MEN & WOMEN** BE HELD **RESPONSIBLE FOR USING THEIR GIFTS**?

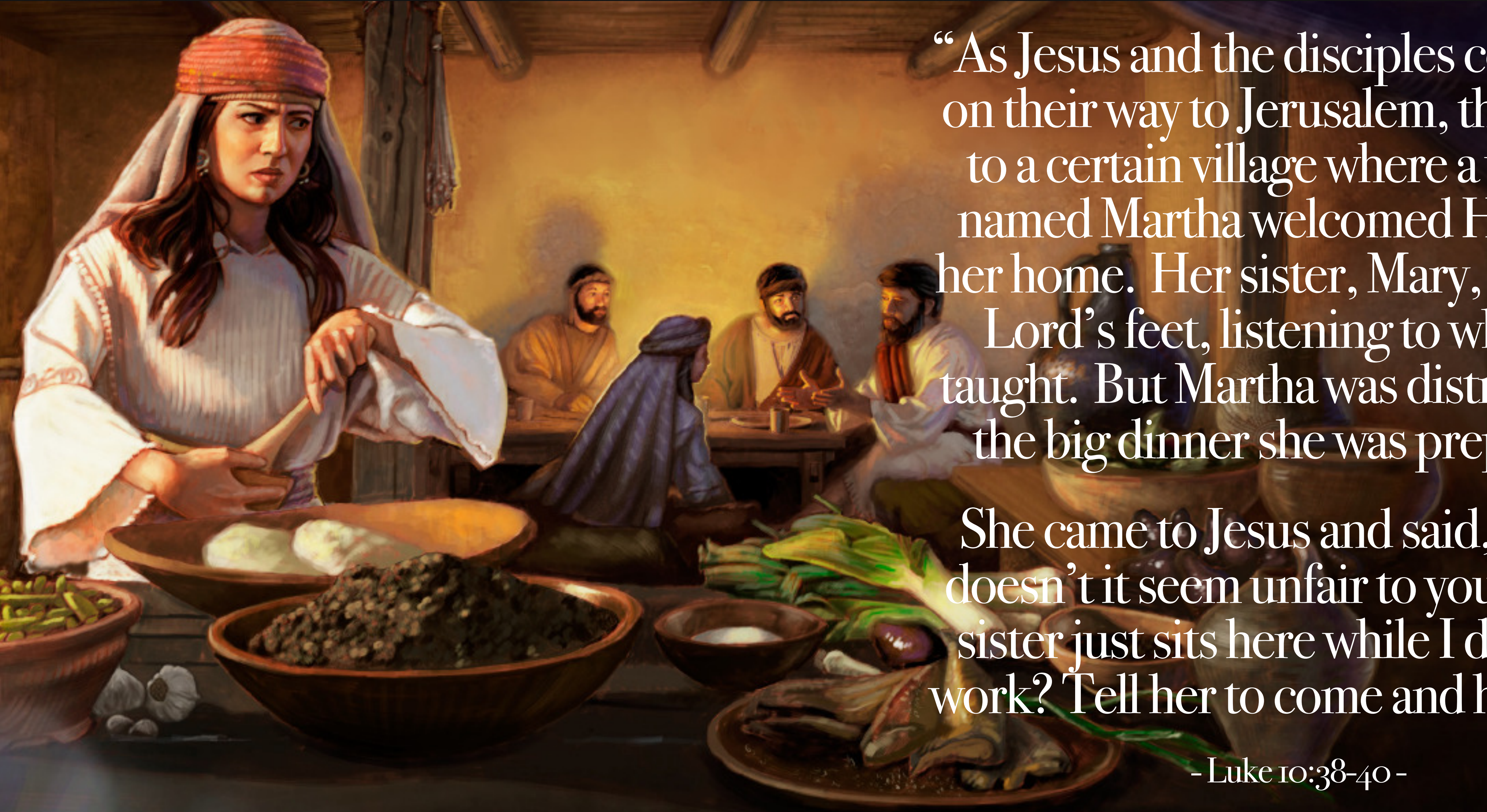
IF... THEN...



“In His grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. So if God has given you the ability to prophesy, speak out with as much faith as God has given you. If your gift is serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, teach well. If your gift is to encourage others, be encouraging. If it is giving, give generously. If God has given you leadership ability, take the responsibility seriously. And if you have a gift for showing kindness to others, do it gladly.”

Romans 12:6-8

DISTRACTED



“As Jesus and the disciples continued on their way to Jerusalem, they came to a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed Him into her home. Her sister, Mary, sat at the Lord’s feet, listening to what He taught. But Martha was distracted by the big dinner she was preparing.

She came to Jesus and said, “Lord, doesn’t it seem unfair to you that my sister just sits here while I do all the work? Tell her to come and help me.”

- Luke 10:38-40 -

INVITED CLOSER



But the Lord said to her, “My dear Martha, you are worried and upset over all these details! There is only one thing worth being concerned about (one thing is necessary). Mary has discovered it, and it will not be taken away from her.”

- Luke 10:41-42 -