

1 Corinthians 11 and head coverings?

Wearing a veil is not a precept of the Eternal, but a custom of the nations. In the Bible, women wear a veil in certain situations, but they are bareheaded most of the time among his people and their community. In his letter to the Corinthians, the outstanding Jewish apostle Paul of Tarsus does not write specifically about the custom of wearing a *veil*, but rather wishes to set the record straight by first mentioning that **men** should **not cover their heads in the congregation**.

1Corinthians 11:3-4 But I wish you to know that the Christ is the head of every man, but woman's head is the man, and the Christ's head God. Every **man** praying or prophesying, **having anything on his head**, puts his head to shame.

In his letter he does not want to create a lapidary formula about a *veil* on the head of women, the subject is more complex than that. I insist that Paul had previously fought against **disorder, sexual immorality and the destruction of the genders**, that he is under the law of the Messiah (not Moses) and the essential commandments of the Eternal are engraved on his heart by the sacred breath. Let's read what he wrote earlier to this congregation and some precepts:

1Corinthians 6:9-10 Do ye not know that unrighteous *persons* shall not inherit *the* kingdom of God? Do not err: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor who abuse themselves with men, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor abusive persons, nor *the* rapacious, shall inherit *the* kingdom of God.

Leviticus 18:22-23 And thou shalt not lie with mankind as one lieth with a woman: it is an abomination. And thou shalt lie with no beast to become unclean therewith; and a woman shall not stand before a beast to lie down with it: it is confusion.

Deuteronomy 22:5 There shall not be a man's apparel on a woman, neither shall a man put on a woman's clothing; for whoever doeth so is an abomination to Eternal thy God.

A woman who wears her husband's jacket because it's cold, or wears trousers in the garden is obviously not breaking the precept of Elohim. A man with a hood because it is raining or who wear long hair tied back (perhaps resembling dreadlocks) and uses a rubber band to tie it up, is also not breaking God's instructions. The important thing is not to **confuse** the genders, as certain peoples do in their culture (idolatry, traditional festivals, wokism ideologies, etc).

2King 17:12 and they served idols, as to which Eternal had said to them, Ye shall not do this thing.

Science has shown that women's hair grows twice as long as men's, and this is **no coincidence**. We are not saying that men can't have long hair, just that women's hair is naturally longer than men. The hair has different meanings in our minds (seduction, hairstyle for events, etc), but the two genders must look like different in the congregation, both physically and symbolically. For example, a man cannot cover his head with any kind of toga and a woman cannot have short hair.

1Corinthians 11:14-15 Does not even nature itself teach you, that man, if he have long hair, it is a dishonour to him? But woman, if she have long hair, *it is* glory to her; for the long hair is given to her in lieu of a covering.

Outside of the congregation, a woman should not wear a veil every day and everywhere for various reasons (married women, the gaze of other men, the vow of chastity, etc) which do **not take precedence over** Paul's encouragement to keep a long natural hair which is given to her as a covering. The woman should therefore let her hair grow and not periodically suffocate this glory on her head, as the Islamic tradition and the nuns. Modesty is not an everyday veil on her head.

1Timothy 2:9 In like manner also that the women in decent deportment and dress adorn themselves

with modesty and discretion, not with plaited *hair* and gold, or pearls, or costly clothing,

And the Nazirite vow, which tells us that the man let his hair grow for the realisation of a vow doesn't contradict Paul. He knew this law very well and most men cut their hair when the vow was fulfilled. And if someone like Samson were to pray in a congregation, he would not have gender confusion with his hair. He would look like a man, showing his face and his curly hair, probably tied back, without kippah. He would not have a woman's hairstyle to pray, hair **covering his head**.
Number 6:5 All the days of the vow of his separation there shall no razor come upon his head; until the days be fulfilled, that he hath consecrated himself to the Eternal, he shall be holy; he shall let the locks of the hair of his head grow.

The male adam (human) has not found a male adam, but a female adam. She is the only being who can truly combine and unite with him in every way: love, organ compatibility, pleasure, procreation, mother's milk, education. The Feeling for a mother or a friend is not an excuse to violate the law of the creation, there are many ways to love your neighbor. God's temple is holy and this is the male man, face of Christ, who tore the temporary glory of the veil over the body of Moses to enter in the Holy of Holies. The woman receives the natural glory of the First (male) on her head, because his head has been shared with her, so that she becomes his guardian and his complement.

Genesis 2:20 And Man gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the heavens, and to every beast of the field; but as for Adam, he found no helpmate, his like.

Ephesians 5:28 So ought men also to love their own wives as their own bodies: he that loves his own wife loves himself.

Conclusion:

- No precept of the Eternal imposes the veil on women; it is a human custom. Paul doesn't focus on a *veil*, but on *something* that covers the male or the female head in the congregation.
- Paul reminds us the order in the creation to combat illogical customs, disorder and immorality. His spiritual teaching is connected to the spirit of the living Message or instruction (tora) of Elohim.
- The natural precepts of God are against the confusion of genders, not against useful tools, clothing and trousers. This teaching is timeless; we find the same problems in our society today.
- Science explains that a woman's hair grows longer, more time, than a man. Her hair is her natural covering. Man and woman must look like different, even if they follow a custom.
- The woman cannot suffocate her natural hair in her daily life for religious ideologies.
- The Nazirite Law is not an argument against Paul; these men also don't look like a woman with their hair and most of them end up cutting them when the vow is fulfilled.
- Men and women are complementary, no one can replace this union. The emitter YX and the receptor XX complete all the functions of adam (human). Women, don't hide or cut this part of the man's head, remember the power and the authority of the male adam given to your appearance.

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