

The cultural problem of equality.

WALKING ALONG THE CUTTING EDGE...

Mathew 20:24 – 28

Worldly leadership styles don't fly with Jesus

Why were the ten indignant?

Not so with you: whoever wants to be first must be your slave

The issue at hand

**Male leaders in Entertainment and Politics
have been outed for sexual harassment
and assault**

Punishment is largely the court of opinion

No rules, no rights, no statute of limitations

Men and women are different

US Prison population:

93.2% Male

6.8% Female

Domestic violence:

85% Female victims

15% Male victims

(1 Peter 3:7)

more statistics

Fortune 500:

52% professional level jobs are female

14.6% executive officers are female

8.1% top earners are female

4.6% CEOs are female

1 in 3 school age children are bullied
(taking this issue beyond gender)

Should we “protect” women?

1 Timothy 5:2

treat older women as mothers

treat younger women as sisters,

with absolute purity

**Titus 2:1 – 10 Older women should teach
the younger, not Titus.**

1 Corinthians 12:12 – 26

v. 22 those parts that seem to be
weaker are indispensable

v. 23 the parts we think are less
honorable we treat with special honor

v. 23 the parts that are unpresentable
are treated with special modesty

A little wisdom (Proverbs)

14:15

The simple believe anything, but the prudent give thought to their steps.

22:3; 27:12

The prudent see danger and take refuge, but the simple keep going and pay the penalty.

Practical application

**The world is not a very “equal” place—
never has been, don’t expect it to change**

**There will always be some more equal than
the others**

**The church is called to be different: we
must actually be different**

Much more to say later.