

What Are You Wearing?

1Peter 3:3-4

Much said through years about clothing.
What society accepts is constantly changing.
Even in the early years of the Church dress was a concern.
Often our approach is focused on symptoms instead of source of problem
Unless we control the source, we will never remove the symptoms.

What We Wear Makes A Statement.

Like it or not, we are judged by what we wear. - Soldier, guard, cowboy, indian, football, baseball, banker, ditch digger, farmer, lawyer
Clothes show our character & attitude. - Celebrating, mourning, outgoing, loner, cautious, promiscuous, seductive, rebellious

Consider Lord's rebuke to daughters of Zion **Isaiah 3:16-26**

Problem is thinking too much of self

Haughty & proud; Drawing attention to self

Paul's discussion regarding covering was about calling attention to self. **1Corinthians 11:2-16**

Modest apparel is not attention getting

We Need Moderation

Peter warns about our inward adornment **1Peter 3:1-9**

Paul as well **1Timothy 2:1-15**

They both call for "proper" attire

Both men call for humility and meekness

Not gaudy attention grabbing, but quiet and meek

While our "enlightened" minds may not like it, God calls for women to stay out of the spotlight. To only draw attention by their quiet humility and devotion to God's service.

Draw Attention to God

Women of godliness

Paul uses "put on" in Colossian letter **Colossians 3**

We ought to wear God-like characteristics

Our adornment should draw others to God

Matthew 5:16 *Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.*

Certainly Paul includes men in this discourse, so we all need to be careful to only wear that which boldly shows our devotion to Christ.

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When we finally let God's Word control our heart & mind we will wear godliness in such a manner that no one will see us for the light of God shining through.

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