

Point of Contrast #9

ROLES

Your pattern of interaction

Girl-Gone-Wild

Inclined to dominate

“She seizes him . . . He follows her.”
Proverbs 7:25

Girl-Gone-Wise

Inclined to follow

Like Sarah, she submits to her husband,
and to God’s beautiful design
1 Peter 3:4–6*

In the “Girls Gone Wise” book, read the ninth point of contrast between the Wild Thing and the Wise Thing (pages 119-134), and then answer the following questions:

1. Why do you think it matters who “wears the pants”?
2. Summarize the significance of the position of firstborn.
3. Do you feel that it’s “unfair” that the male, and not the female, was firstborn? Do you feel that it’s “unfair” that the Lord assigned to him the authority and responsibility for the oversight and well-being of the human family? Do you think it “unfair” that God assigned Adam to be the representative of us all? Explain why or why not.

4. God “wired” men to provide for and protect their families. Describe an example or circumstance you’ve witnessed that illustrates that men have a “bent” to do this.

5. One of the complaints of the feminists in the 60’s was that culture supported the stereotype of men being out in the workforce, and women being at home and raising children. They argued that this traditional division of labor favored men and discriminated against women. They argued that there exists no difference between male and female, and therefore encouraged women to leave the home, put their children in daycare, and strive for equal representation in the workforce.

What is the flaw in their line of reasoning?

6. Does the idea of God creating woman “for” man and as a “helper fit for the man” make you bristle? Explain how you feel about God doing this.

7. Based on the creation story, summarize the difference between male and female.

8. Does your heart resonate and agree with God that His creation of male and female is “very good”? Do you delight in His design for manhood and womanhood? Explain why you feel the way you do.

9. What is needed in order for you to more whole-heartedly affirm the goodness of God’s created design for male and female? Complete the following sentence:

“I think I need...