

Homework

When you grow up in a culture, it's easy to assume that the way things are is the way they always were.

Everyone who lives in a society is influenced by it. In the United States, we often no longer use the Bible blueprint concerning the relationship between men and women.

Below are some ideas that either come from the very beginning in the Bible or from today's culture. We are not trying to judge whether the idea is right or wrong. We are trying to understand which ideas come from today's culture and which are influenced by God's original plan.

Circle where you think the idea came from:

1. Bible Culture When a man and woman are married, the woman takes on the man's name: Jane Doe and Joe Plimpton become Mr. and Mrs. Joe Plimpton.
2. Bible Culture The wife goes to work and the man stays home and raises the kids.
3. Bible Culture John wants to ask Kate to marry her, so he asks her dad if he can have her hand in marriage.
4. Bible Culture Since they couldn't agree on a place to go on vacation, the husband goes to one place, the wife to another.
5. Bible Culture When the father says "no," the kids know that if they go to Mom and ask her that they will get in trouble.
6. Bible Culture At the school dance, it's "girl ask boy" this week.
7. Bible Culture Susan asks Jim to marry her.
8. Bible Culture Rosie organizes a "girl's night out" at a bar with her other married friends, even though her husband objects.
9. Bible Culture The father takes the car away from his son for cheating at school, even though Mom thinks this is too harsh.
10. Bible Culture Bob and Martha couldn't agree on which church the family should attend, so Bob makes the decision for the family to go to the local non-denominational church.
11. Bible Culture Bethany decides she had better get her own checking account so that she will have her "own money" that her husband doesn't know about.
12. Bible Culture A man asks a woman to dance and leads her across the dance floor.



God created man and woman equal before Him. But He also defined the social relationship that was to exist between them.