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**SILENCE, SUBMISSION,
AND UNDENIABLE TALENT**

SUBMISSION

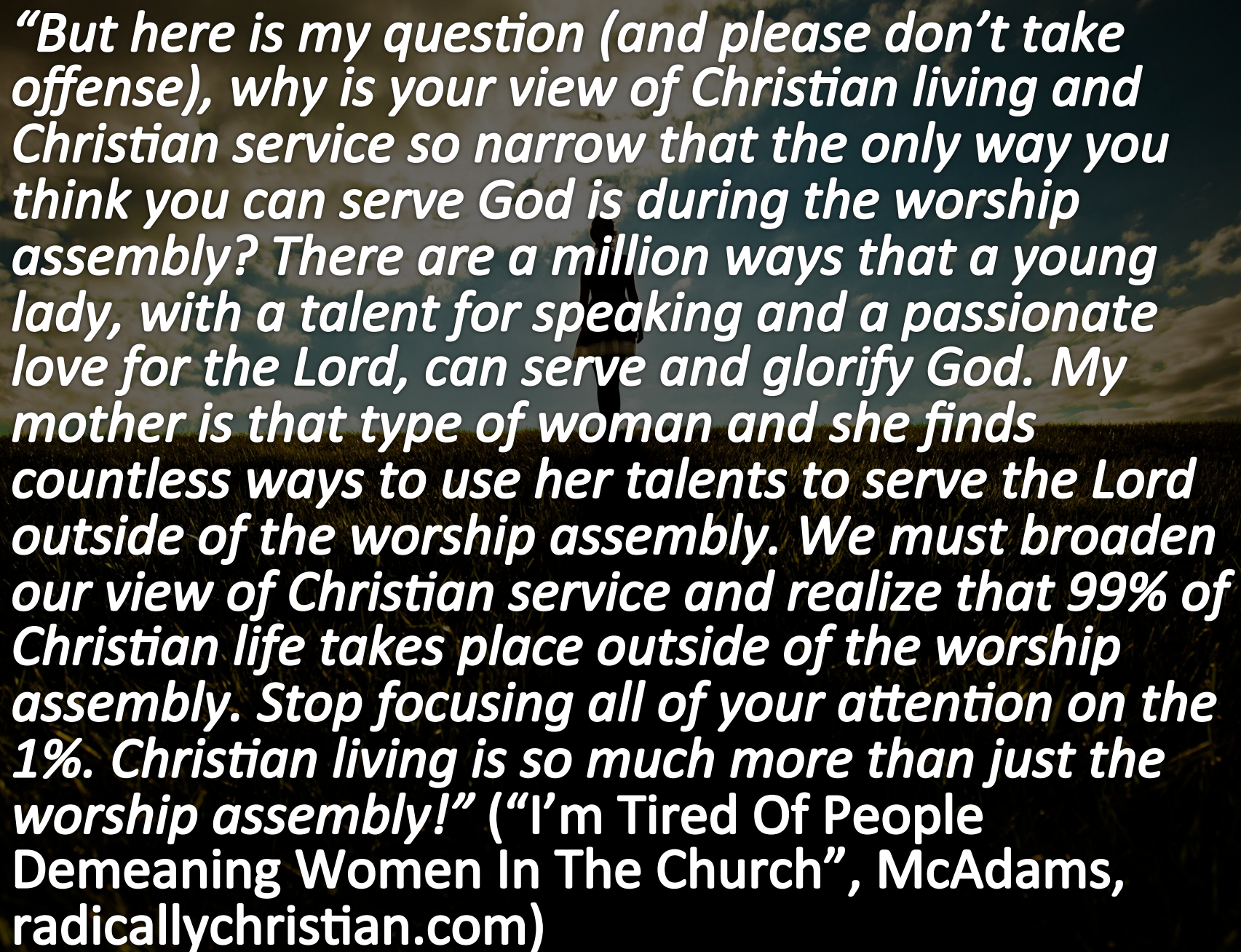
- *Submission* is a loaded word, with a great deal of emotion attached to it. It's difficult even discussing the subject without thirty minutes of awkward, apologetic prefacing.
- 1 Timothy 2:11-12, 1 Corinthians 14:34
- So how should we interpret these passages, especially considering the progress of women in Western culture in the last century?

REMEMBER...


- These verses are not all-inclusive. They have some specificity to them. They are teaching the complimentary nature of men and women (1 Corinthians 11:11), without any indication of differing spiritual value (Galatians 3:28).
- Submission is not a bad thing. In fact, it is one of the very noblest qualities. Jesus Himself gives us a model of submission that should make anybody rethink their opinion on the word (Phil. 2:5-7, Rom. 15:8-9, John 13:12ff).

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A NARROW DEFINITION OF SERVICE IN THE KINGDOM



“But here is my question (and please don’t take offense), why is your view of Christian living and Christian service so narrow that the only way you think you can serve God is during the worship assembly? There are a million ways that a young lady, with a talent for speaking and a passionate love for the Lord, can serve and glorify God. My mother is that type of woman and she finds countless ways to use her talents to serve the Lord outside of the worship assembly. We must broaden our view of Christian service and realize that 99% of Christian life takes place outside of the worship assembly. Stop focusing all of your attention on the 1%. Christian living is so much more than just the worship assembly!” (“I’m Tired Of People Demeaning Women In The Church”, McAdams, radicallychristian.com)

A woman in a dark dress stands with her back to the camera on a grassy field, looking up at a vast, dramatic sky filled with large, white, and golden clouds. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a strong backlight effect on the clouds and the woman's silhouette. The overall mood is one of hope, contemplation, and empowerment.

**WOMEN ARE AS EQUALLY
VALUABLE AS THEY ARE EQUALLY
NECESSARY TO THE KINGDOM**

CHRIST LIVES IN ME

A person is standing in a field of tall grass, looking up at a dramatic sky with large, white clouds. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden light. The person is silhouetted against the bright sky.

- We all have talents, but we must use them in a way that God has defined (Romans 12:1-8). If you love God, then living within the confines of His will is a pleasure (John 14:15, Psalm 40:8, Psalm 119:161-168).
- Being a servant means shaping my will to His, even if it results in some earthly inconvenience or the surrendering of my preferences and desires (Galatians 2:20).

