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<p>What does Ephesians 5:22–33 teach about the roles of men and women?</p>	<p>It suggests that wives should submit to their husbands as the Church submits to Christ, and husbands should love their wives as Christ loves the Church.</p>
<p>What is the main focus of Mulieris Dignitatem 18–19?</p>	<p>It highlights the dignity and vocation of women, emphasising the unique role of motherhood and the complementary roles of men and women.</p>
<p>What does Christian teaching traditionally say about the role of men in the family?</p>	<p>Men are traditionally viewed as the head of the household, responsible for leadership and provision within the family.</p>
<p>How have contemporary secular views challenged traditional Christian gender roles?</p>	<p>Secular views promote gender equality and reject traditional hierarchies, questioning roles such as male dominance and female submission.</p>

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How might Christians adapt to changing attitudes towards family structures?

Some Christians accept diverse family models, such as single-parent and same-sex families, whilst others uphold traditional nuclear family values.

What is the significance of motherhood in Christian teaching?

Motherhood is often viewed as a sacred vocation, symbolising nurturing and sacrificial love, reflecting Mary's role as the mother of Jesus.

Do all Christians agree on traditional gender roles?

No, some denominations like the Church of England allow for more flexibility, whilst others, like Roman Catholicism, maintain traditional views.

What is the secular view on gender equality?

Secular perspectives often advocate that gender roles are socially constructed and promote equality in all areas of life, including family and work.

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What arguments suggest motherhood is restricting?

Some feminists argue that societal expectations of motherhood limit women's opportunities and reinforce traditional gender roles.

How do Christians interpret the idea of family?

Some Christians see family as divinely ordained (e.g., nuclear family), while others adapt to cultural changes and accept varied family forms.

What theological reason is given for male leadership in the family?

It is often based on the belief that Adam was created before Eve and that Christ is the head of the Church, paralleling the husband's role.

What is complementarianism?

The view that men and women have different but complementary roles in the family and Church, often based on biblical principles.

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What is egalitarianism in the context of gender roles?

The belief that men and women are equal in all aspects, including leadership roles in family and Church settings.

How might secular views of gender equality undermine Christian gender roles?

Secular expectations for equality may challenge traditional teachings, such as male leadership and the sacred role of motherhood.

What are some Christian responses to contemporary views of gender?

Responses vary, from adapting to modern values (e.g., ordaining women) to maintaining traditional roles and resisting societal changes.

What does the phrase “family is culturally determined” mean?

It suggests that the concept and structure of family vary based on cultural norms rather than being universally fixed or divinely ordained.

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How does the idea of parenthood challenge traditional gender roles?

Parenthood increasingly focuses on shared responsibilities, challenging traditional roles of fathers as providers and mothers as caregivers.

Should official Christian teaching resist secular views of gender?

This is debated. Some argue it should uphold biblical principles, while others believe it should evolve to remain relevant in society.