## Vashti - Icon In Gender Politics - Esther 1

- 1 Samuel 25 Summarized of Nabal, & Abigail & Acts 5 Ananias & Sapphira.
- Matthew 10:37 He that loveth father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me.
- Romans 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.
- Esther 1:1-22 V1 Now it came to pass in the days of Ahasuerus, (this is Ahasuerus which reigned, from India even unto Ethiopia, over an hundred and seven and twenty provinces:)
- Strongs #0325 Achashverowsh *akh-ash-vay-rosh'* or (shortened) 'Achashrosh *akh-ash-rosh'* (Es 10:1) AV-Ahasuerus 31; Ahasuerus = "I will be silent and poor" 1) title of the king of Persia, probably Darius Hystaspes
- Esther 1:2,3 That in those days, when the king Ahasuerus sat on the throne of his kingdom, which was in Shushan the palace, 3 In the third year of his reign, he made a feast unto all his princes and his servants; the power of Persia and Media, the nobles & princes of the provinces, being before him:
- Daniel 3 Summarized of Shadrach, Meshach, & Abednego not bowing. V25 He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.
- Isaiah 43:2 When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.
- Matthew 27:25 Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children.
- Esther 1:4-9 When he shewed the riches of his glorious kingdom & the honour of his excellent majesty many days, even an hundred and fourscore days. 5 And when these days were expired, the king made a feast unto all the people that were present in Shushan the palace, both unto great & small, seven days, in the court of the garden of the king's palace; 6 Where were white, green, & blue, hangings, fastened with cords of fine linen & purple to silver rings and pillars of marble: the beds (couches) were of gold and silver, upon a pavement of red, & blue, and white, & black, marble. 7 And they gave them drink in vessels of gold, (the vessels being diverse one from another,) and royal wine in abundance, according to the state of the king. 8 And the drinking was according to the law; none did compel: for so the king had appointed to all the officers of his house, that they should do according to every man's pleasure. 9 Also Vashti the queen made a feast for the women in the royal house which belonged to king Ahasuerus.
- Galatians 3:28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

- John 8 Summarized V11 She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more.
- Esther 1:10 On the seventh day, when the heart of the king was merry with wine, he commanded Mehuman, Biztha, Harbona, Bigtha, and Abagtha, Zethar, and Carcas, the seven chamberlains that served in the presence of Ahasuerus the king, 11 To bring Vashti the queen before the king with the crown royal, to shew the people and the princes her beauty: for she was fair to look on.
- Mark 6 Referred to Herod & Herodias' daughter dancing.
- Strongs #02060 Vashtiy *vash-tee'* AV-Vashti 10; Vashti = "beautiful" 1) the queen, wife of Ahasuerus, whom he divorced for disobeying his orders.
- Esther 1:12 But the queen Vashti refused to come at the king's commandment by his chamberlains: therefore was the king very wroth, and his anger burned in him.
- Ephesians 5:28 So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself.
- Esther 1:13 Then the king said to the wise men, which knew the times, (for so was the king's manner toward all that knew law and judgment:
- John 3:7 Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.
- Matthew 23 Referred to Jesus addressing with the religious leaders.
- Esther 1:14 And the next unto him was Carshena, Shethar, Admatha, Tarshish, Meres, Marsena, and Memucan, the seven princes of Persia and Media, which saw the king's face, and which sat the first in the kingdom;)
- Daniel 6:2 And over these three presidents; of whom Daniel was first: that the princes might give accounts unto them, & the king should have no damage.
- Esther 1:15-18 What shall we do unto the queen Vashti according to law, because she hath not performed the commandment of the king Ahasuerus by the chamberlains? 16 And Memucan answered before the king and the princes, Vashti the queen hath not done wrong to the king only, but also to all the princes, and to all the people that are in all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus. 17 For this deed of the queen shall come abroad unto all women, so that they shall despise their husbands in their eyes, when it shall be reported, The king Ahasuerus commanded Vashti the queen to be brought in before him, but she came not. 18 Likewise shall the ladies of Persia & Media say this day unto all the king's princes, which have heard of the deed of the queen. Thus shall there arise too much contempt & wrath.
- 2 Samuel 6:16 And as the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal Saul's daughter looked through a window, and saw king David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart.
- Ephesians 4:26 Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:

  Matthew 6:14,15 For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: 15 But if ye forgive

not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

- Esther 1:19 If it please the king, let there go a royal commandment from him, and let it be written among the laws of the Persians and the Medes, that it be not altered, That Vashti come no more before king Ahasuerus; and let the king give her royal estate unto another that is better than she.
- Daniel 6:12 Then they came near, and spake before the king concerning the king's decree; Hast thou not signed a decree, that every man that shall ask a petition of any God or man within thirty days, save of thee, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions? The king answered and said, The thing is true, according to the law of the Medes & Persians, which altereth not.
- Esther 1:20 And when the king's decree which he shall make shall be published throughout all his empire, (for it is great,) all the wives shall give to their husbands honour, both to great and small.
- God did not make Eve (woman) from a hair to rule over Adam (man). God did not make Eve from a toe-nail for Adam to rule over her. God made Eve from a rib near Adam's heart to love her & work together with her.
- Esther 1:21 And the saying pleased the king and the princes; and the king did according to the word of Memucan:
- Deuteronomy 17:17-19 Neither shall he multiply wives to himself, that his heart turn not away: neither shall he greatly multiply to himself silver and gold. 18 And it shall be, when he sitteth upon the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write him a copy of this law in a book out of that which is before the priests the Levites: 19 And it shall be with him, and he shall read therein all the days of his life: that he may learn to fear the LORD his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them:
- 1 Timothy 3 Referred to God's qualifications for Pastors. V2 A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach;
- Esther 1:22 For he sent letters into all the king's provinces, into every province according to the writing thereof, and to every people after their language, that every man should bear rule in his own house, and that it should be published according to the language of every people.
- Mark 6:21-28 V21,22 And when a convenient day was come, that Herod on his birthday made a supper to his lords, high captains, and chief *estates* of Galilee; 22 And when the daughter of the said Herodias came in, and danced, and pleased Herod and them that sat with him, the king said unto the damsel, Ask of me whatsoever thou wilt, and I will give *it* thee.
- Mark 6:17 For Herod himself had sent forth and laid hold upon John, and bound him in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife: for he had married her.
- Mark 6:23-28 And he sware unto her, Whatsoever thou shalt ask of me, I will give *it* thee, unto the half of my kingdom. 24 And she went forth, & said to

her mother, What shall I ask? And she said, The head of John the Baptist. 25 And she came in straightway with haste unto the king, and asked, saying, I will that thou give me by and by in a charger the head of John the Baptist. 26 And the king was exceeding sorry; yet for his oath's sake, & for their sakes which sat with him, he would not reject her. 27 & immediately the king sent an executioner, & commanded his head to be brought: and he went & beheaded him in the prison, 28 And brought his head in a charger, & gave it to the damsel: & the damsel gave it to her mother.

- Genesis 24:67 And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah, and she became his <u>wife</u>; and he <u>loved</u> her: and Isaac was comforted after his mother's *death*.
- Exodus 21:5 And if the servant shall plainly say, I <u>love</u> my master, my <u>wife</u>, & my children; I will not go out free: 6 Then his master shall bring him unto the judges; he shall also bring him to the door, or unto the door post; & his master shall bore his ear through with an aul; & he shall serve him for ever.
- Judges 14:16,17 And Samson's <u>wife</u> wept before him, and said, Thou dost but hate me, and <u>lovest</u> me not: thou hast put forth a riddle unto the children of my people, and hast not told *it* me. And he said unto her, Behold, I have not told *it* my father nor my mother, and shall I tell *it* thee? 17 And she wept before him the seven days, while their feast lasted: and it came to pass on the seventh day, that he told her, because she lay sore upon him: and she told the riddle to the children of her people.

Judges 16 Referred to Delilah & Samson.

- 2 Chronicles 11:21 And Rehoboam <u>loved</u> Maachah the daughter of Absalom above all his <u>wives</u> and his concubines: (for he took eighteen <u>wives</u>, and threescore concubines; and begat 28 sons, and threescore daughters.)
- 1 Kings 11 Referred to Solomon's wives.
- Ecclesiastes 9:9 Live joyfully with the <u>wife whom thou lovest all the days of</u>
  <u>the life</u> of thy vanity, which he hath given thee under the sun, all the days
  of thy vanity: for that *is* thy portion in *this* life, and in thy labour which thou
  takest under the sun.
- Ephesians 5:25,28 <u>Husbands, love your wives</u>, even as Christ also <u>loved</u> the church, and gave himself for it; 28 So ought <u>men to love their wives</u> as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself.
- Ephesians 5:33 Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so <u>love his wife</u> <u>even as himself</u>; and the <u>wife see that she reverence her husband</u>.
- Colossians 3:19 Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them.
- Ephesians 5:21-33 Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God. 22 Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, <u>as unto the Lord</u>. 23 For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and He is the saviour of the body. 24 Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so *let* the wives *be* to their own husbands in every

thing. 25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave Himself for it; 26 That He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the Word, 27 That He might present it to Himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be Holy and without blemish. 28 So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. 29 For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church: 30 For we are members of His body, of His flesh, and of His bones. 31 For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. 32 This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church. 33 Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband.

Proverbs 31:10-31 Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. 11 The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil. 12 She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life. 13 She seeketh wool, and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands. 14 She is like the merchants' ships; she bringeth her food from afar. 15 She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her household, and a portion to her maidens. 16 She considereth a field, and buyeth it: with the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard. 17 She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengtheneth her arms. 18 She perceiveth that her merchandise is good: her candle goeth not out by night. 19 She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff. 20 She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy. 21 She is not afraid of the snow for her household: for all her household are clothed with scarlet. 22 She maketh herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing is silk and purple. 23 Her husband is known in the gates, when he sitteth among the elders of the land. 24 She maketh fine linen, and selleth it; and delivereth girdles unto the merchant. 25 Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come. 26 She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness. 27 She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness. 28 Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her. 29 Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all. 30 Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised. 31 Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.

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