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Adam and Eve are both made in the image of God, they were both given the task of ruling over the earth, and Eve was not Adam's subordinate helper but his counterpart in accomplishing their God-given mission. The fall was the "unraveling" where Adam and Eve's relationship with each other, God, and the garden falls apart. As such, patriarchy—men ruling over women—was not a part of the initial plan but a symptom of this undoing (Genesis 1-2).

### **God has always valued women.**

Eve: Genesis 1:26-31 & 2:15-25

Deborah: Judges 4-5

### **Where do we see Jesus bringing value to women?**

*And many women who had come from Galilee with Jesus to care for him were watching from a distance. Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary (the mother of James and Joseph), and the mother of James and John, the sons of Zebedee. Matthew 27:55-56 NLT*

**How does this translate to us today?**

**How can the men help?**

**Resource:** *Tell Her Story: How Women Led, Taught, and Ministered in the Early Church* by Nijay K. Gupta, (InterVarsity Press, 2023)

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