

CBE FULL REVIEW EVALUATION FORM

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REVIEWER	DATE ASSIGNED	DATE DUE
TITLE	AUTHOR(S) / EDITOR(S)	

Thank you for agreeing to read the above title for CBE's book service. Please read the book in its entirety, keeping the "Evaluation Criteria" and the following evaluation questions in mind as you read. Then, fill in the form below.

EVALUATION STANDARDS *(circle one)*

- YES | NO Does the content of this resource agree with the doctrinal statements of CBE? (Please review the enclosed Mission, Values, Purpose, and Statement of Faith; CBE has recently determined to articulate the shared authority and service of men and women. And, that gender and justice is a component of our ministry.)
- YES | NO Does this resource contribute something new and helpful to our readers or do we already have the same or similar resources? Does it offer practical help and encouragement?
- YES | NO Is the author qualified to write/speak on their topic? Are the style and presentation insightful?
- YES | NO Is the format satisfactory? (e.g. size, binding, paper, margins, type, sound quality, etc.)
- YES | NO Does the publisher have a reputation for quality materials?
- YES | NO Is the scholarship sound (e.g. is the information accurate and current)?
- YES | NO Does the author fairly describe opposing viewpoints and show an appropriate amount of respect for people who disagree?
- YES | NO Does the author encourage critical thought in advancing their argument, instead of just telling the reader *what* to think?
- YES | NO Does it contain any cultural, political, or religious viewpoints which might be objectionable? Could it become an embarrassment to CBE at the hands of our critics?
- YES | NO Does the resource abide by the standards put forward in the enclosed "Evaluation Criteria"?
If so, circle the category below that best describes this resource. *(You may choose more than one.)*

Abuse | Bibles & Reference | Biblical & Theological Studies | Biblical Equality 101 | Classics, Exclusives, & Rare | Curriculum & Devotionals | Int'l & Foreign Language Resources | Justice: Ethnicity, Class, & Gender | Relationships, Marriage, & Family | Women & Men in Ministry | Women in Church History | Women of the Bible

Please indicate if the resource is BEGINNING, INTERMEDIATE, or ADVANCED (Please circle one)

READER'S ASSESSMENT *(check one)* Please provide page numbers of excerpts (if any) that are relevant to CBE's ministry, though the book as a whole may not be. Thank you!

I recommend we ACCEPT this title for CBE's ministry because: _____

Please provide a short review (4-6 paragraphs). We may use this review, in part or in whole, for Web and other promotions. Thank you!

I recommend that one other person read this title before a final decision is made because I have the following reservations: _____

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Christians for Biblical Equality

Christians for Biblical Equality is an organization of Christian men and women who believe that the Bible, properly interpreted, teaches the fundamental equality of believers of all racial and ethnic groups, and all economic classes, and all age groups, based on the teachings of scripture as reflected in Galatians 3:28.

CBE recognizes that injustice is an abuse of power, taking from others what God has given them: their dignity, their freedom, their resources, and even their very lives. CBE also recognizes that prohibiting individuals from exercising their God-given gifts to further his kingdom constitutes injustice in a form that impoverishes the body of Christ and its ministry in the world at large. CBE accepts the call to be part of God's mission in opposing injustice as required in Scriptures such as Micah 6:8.

MISSION STATEMENT · CBE affirms and promotes the biblical truth that all believers—without regard to gender, ethnicity or class—must exercise their God-given gifts with equal authority and equal responsibility in church, home and world.

CORE VALUES · We believe the Bible teaches...

- Believers are called to mutual submission, love and service.
- God distributes spiritual gifts without regard to gender, ethnicity or class.
- Believers must develop and exercise their God-given gifts in church, home and world.
- Believers have equal authority and equal responsibility to exercise their gifts without regard to gender, ethnicity or class and without the limits of culturally-defined roles.
- Restricting believers from exercising their gifts — on the basis of their gender, ethnicity or class — resists the work of the Spirit of God and is unjust.
- Believers must promote righteousness and oppose injustice in all its forms.

ENVISIONED FUTURE · CBE envisions a future where all believers will be encouraged to use their gifts for God's glory and missional purposes, with the full support of their Christian communities.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

- *We believe* the Bible is the inspired word of God, is reliable, and is the final authority for faith and practice.
- *We believe* in the unity and trinity of God, eternally existing as three equal persons.
- *We believe* in the full deity and full humanity of Jesus Christ.
- *We believe* in the sinfulness of all persons. One result of sin is shattered relationships with God, others, and self.
- *We believe* that eternal salvation and restored relationships are possible through faith in Jesus Christ who died for us, rose from the dead, and is coming again. This salvation is offered to all people.
- *We believe* in the work of the Holy Spirit in salvation, and in the power and presence of the Holy Spirit in the life of believers.
- *We believe* in the equality and essential dignity of men and women of all ethnicities, ages, and classes. We recognize that all persons are made in the image of God and are to reflect that image in the community of believers, in the home, and in society.
- *We believe* that men and women are to diligently develop and use their God-given gifts for the good of the home, church, and society.
- *We believe* in the family, celibate singleness, and faithful heterosexual marriage as God's design.
- *We believe* that, as mandated by the Bible, men and women are to oppose injustice.