

# York St Small Groups

## Sermon Based Studies

Sunday April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Speaker: Colette Harrison

# What About Women?

## Genesis 1: 26-31



Please note that these studies are designed to be explored after hearing the Sunday Sermon and also to be accompanied by a time of prayer/sharing and supper.

To listen to this message again please head to the York St Website or download from iTunes.

Webpage: [www.yorkst.com.au](http://www.yorkst.com.au)

## **GETTING STARTED**

### **Question #1**

Apart from the biological differences, talk about some behavioural differences you've noticed between men and women that can be attributed to gender. Why do you think this kind of discussion can sometimes be tricky?

### **Question #2**

Take a few minutes to talk about the sermons over the past two weeks. What part of the teaching had the most impact on you? Why?

## **INTO THE BIBLE**

**Read Genesis 1:26-31**

### **Question #3**

What does verse 26 tell us about the nature of God?

### **Question #4**

“In our image, in our likeness”. What does it mean to be made in the image and likeness of God?

*(Notice that this was not said of any other creatures).*

How does the relationship between each other mirror God's?

### **Question #5**

What do men and women share in common according to Genesis 1: 26-27 and what is distinctive? Reflect on what that means for your identity, whether you are male or female.

**Read Genesis 3:1-19**

### **Question #6**

Genesis 3 describes how the relationship between God and humanity broke down. How did that rejection of God also lead to the breakdown of relationships between each other?

## **DIGGING DEEPER**

### **Question #7**

We're all influenced by the society and culture in which we live. Where have your ideas about gender, God and the church come from? Reflect honestly about your culture, your upbringing and the biblical teaching and experiences that have shaped you?

### **Question #8**

Jesus demonstrated how things were meant to be. The divine pattern for humanity is restored...only in him. He defied regulations that governed relations between men and women at the time. His elevation of women from being marginalised and undervalued, demonstrated that a new quality of relationships was being restored.

How did Jesus model God's view of women? And their relationships with men?

What do you think that means for us, in our culture?

How can we better reflect Jesus in our relationships today?