

The Bible:

May Women Speak In Church?

The case study we used on Sunday was 1 Corinthians 14:26-40, specifically v.33b-35 which say that women should not speak in church. If you want to pursue that issue, maybe work through the sermon again. The recording and the written text are available [here](#). There is also an AI-written article [here](#).

You could take a lot more time than we were able to on Sunday.

- Check that what was said is accurate.
- What else do you notice in the context that should shape our understanding of those verses?

Context Is King

If you would rather pursue the importance of context to understanding a passage, you could take any passage and look at the wider context. Make notes as you do so that you get an overview of what you learn.

Choose a passage yourself or use one of the following:

- John 3:16
 - Do not restrict yourself to these questions but...
 - How does the conversation with Nicodemus help us understand what Jesus was meaning?
 - What other passages use the phrase "Born again"?
 - Are there other passages that do not use that phrase but do talk about a new birth?
 - If you wanted to know what the Bible says about being born again, as opposed to what John 3:16 says, what would you conclude.
- Romans 8:28
 - Again, ask lots more questions of your own, but...
 - In context, what is this verse saying?
 - What does v.29 reveal about God's plans?
- Jeremiah 29:11