

Men and Women

Divorce

KEY WORDS:

- **Gender equality** - same rights regardless of whether they are male or female.
- **Gender prejudice** - unfairly judging someone based on their gender.
- **Divorce** - Legal ending of a marriage.
- **Annulment** - Cancelling a marriage, saying it never existed. (R.C.)
- **Remarriage** - people have been married before.

- R.C. does **not** allow divorce. Marriage is a **sacrament** for life. Vows said at marriage ceremony cannot be broken. Do allow for **annulments**.



Most non Catholics will allow divorce in some **circumstances** ie violence or adultery. Based on belief God is **forgiving** + wants the best for us. **Remarriage** is up to the vicar.

CHRISTIAN ATTITUDES TO THE ROLE OF MEN + WOMEN IN THE FAMILY

Women are **helpers** to men. Belief based on Adam + Eve story / **Genesis**. Many women take on the **traditional** role of **home keepers**.

Many believe these **traditional** roles are **old fashioned**. They believe men + women are created **equally** by God. They should have **equal opportunities** at work + home.

Bible 'Wives be **submissive** to your husband'

Bible 'There is neither male nor female for you are all one in **Jesus Christ**'

In the **C of E** women have been allowed to be **priests** since **1993** and **Bishops** since **2014**. **Quakers** have allowed women to **speak at meetings** since the **1600s**.



WOMEN VICARS & BISHOPS +

R.C. and Evangelical Protestants do not allow **female leaders**.

The belief **Jesus + the disciples** were **male**. Therefore **leaders** should be **male**.

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