

# The Hat Rack

## ***Pt. 1 - Spiritual Covering***

*1 Corinthians 11:3-6*, 3 The head of every man is Christ, the head of woman is man, and the head of Christ is God. 4 A man dishonors his head if he covers his head while praying or prophesying. 5 But a woman dishonors her head if she prays or prophesies without a covering on her head, for this is the same as shaving her head. 6 Yes, if she refuses to wear a head covering, she should cut off all her hair! But since it is shameful for a woman to have her hair cut or her head shaved, she should wear a covering.

- **The head covering principal requires that we recognize covering and practice submission.**

*Ephesians 5:21*, Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

*Hebrews 13:17*, Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no advantage to you.

*1 Peter 5:1-6*, 1 To the elders among you, I appeal as a fellow elder, a witness of Christ's sufferings and one who also will share in the glory to be revealed: 2 Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, serving as overseers - not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not greedy for money, but eager to serve; 3 not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock. 4 And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away. 5 Young men, in the same way be submissive to those who are older. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." 6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.

- **In providing spiritual covering, we need to make spiritual things a priority.**

## **4 Things Covering Provides**

### **1. Care**

*1 Peter 5:2*, Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care...

## **2. Leadership**

*1 Peter 5:2*, serving as overseers...

*Proverbs 4:10-13*, 10 Listen, my son, accept what I say, and the years of your life will be many. 11 I guide you in the way of wisdom and lead you along straight paths. 12 When you walk, your steps will not be hampered; when you run, you will not stumble. 13 Hold on to instruction, do not let it go; guard it well, for it is your life.

## **3. Service**

*1 Peter 5:2*, ...(Be) eager to serve...

*1 Peter 4:10*, Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

## **4. An example.**

*1 Peter 5:3*, ...being examples to the flock.

*Hebrews 13:7*, Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith.