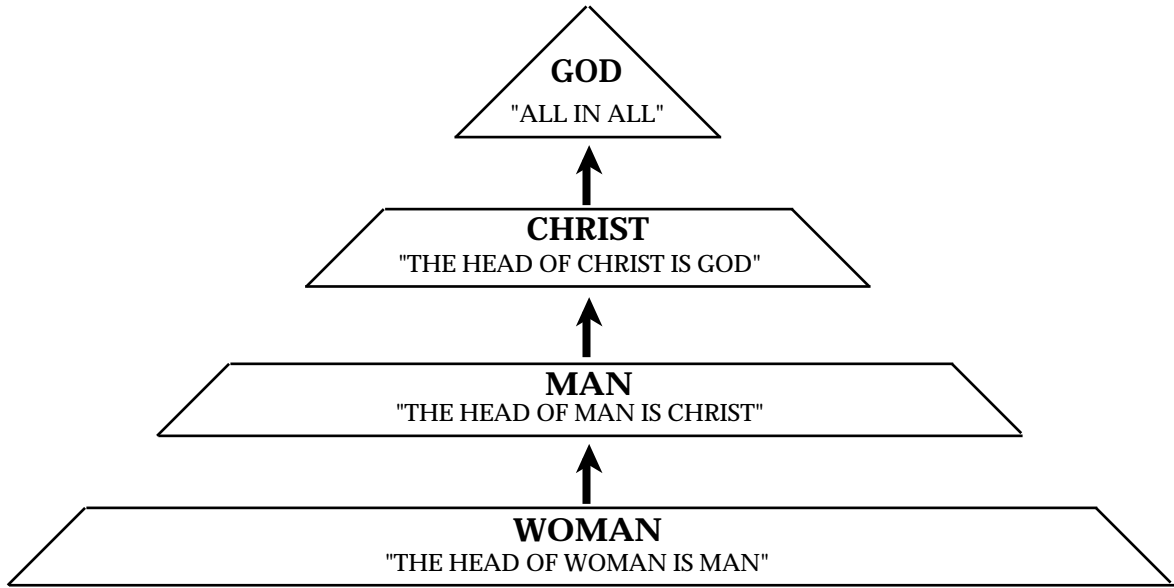


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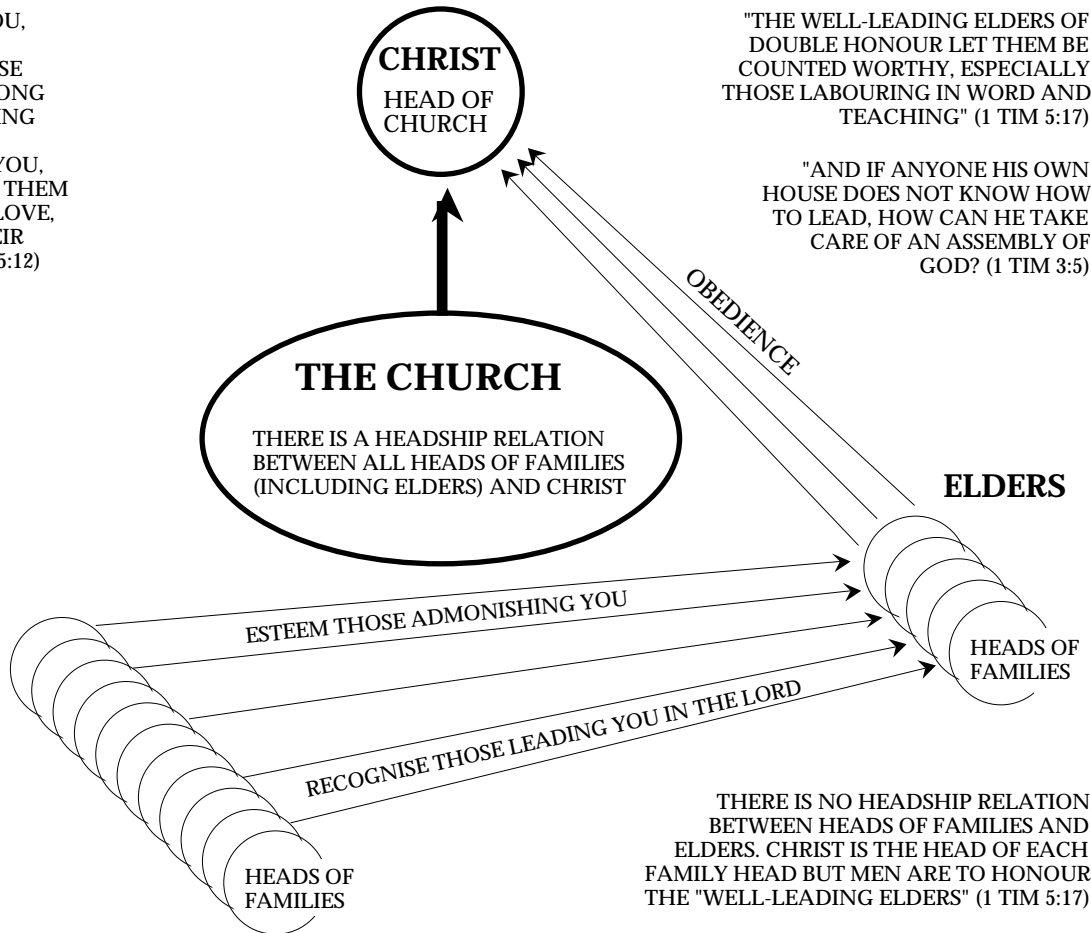
AUTHORITY STRUCTURE IN THE CHURCH

CHRIST IS HEAD OVER EVERY MAN

"AND WE ASK YOU, BROTHERS, TO RECOGNISE THOSE LABOURING AMONG YOU, AND LEADING YOU, AND ADMONISHING YOU, AND TO ESTEEM THEM VERY MUCH IN LOVE, BECAUSE OF THEIR WORK" (1 THESS 5:12)

"THE WELL-LEADING ELDERS OF DOUBLE HONOUR LET THEM BE COUNTED WORTHY, ESPECIALLY THOSE LABOURING IN WORD AND TEACHING" (1 TIM 5:17)

"AND IF ANYONE HIS OWN HOUSE DOES NOT KNOW HOW TO LEAD, HOW CAN HE TAKE CARE OF AN ASSEMBLY OF GOD? (1 TIM 3:5)



THERE IS NO HEADSHIP RELATION BETWEEN HEADS OF FAMILIES AND ELDERS. CHRIST IS THE HEAD OF EACH FAMILY HEAD BUT MEN ARE TO HONOUR THE "WELL-LEADING ELDERS" (1 TIM 5:17)

FOR ONLY GOD IS YOUR RABBI AND ALL OF YOU ARE ON THE SAME LEVEL, AS BROTHERS (MT 23:8 LIVING BIBLE)

ADMONISHING THE DISORDERLY IS THE DUTY OF ALL THE MALE MEMBERS AND NOT JUST THE ELDERS (1 THESS 5:14; 1 COR 5:4-5)