Equal Partners in Marriage: Are Women and Men Really Equal in Our Society?

• Do girls experience the same type of discipline and have the same opportunities as boys as they grow up today? Name any differences you can, noting whether these are signs of inequality.

• Do women and men share the same vocational opportunities? Name any differences you can (as above).

• Are women and men who are equally competent treated equally as authority figures (in academics, politics, science, religion, and so on)? Describe similarities and differences.

• Are women and men treated as equals by financial institutions, businesses, and the media? (Are women and men paid equally for their work?)

• Do married women and men have equal or fully complementary roles in most households with regard to decisions about finance, the care of children, care of the household, responsibility for financial well-being, and so on?

• If significant differences exist today in the way women and men are treated in society, what impact could this have on a marriage that is a union of equals? How should this issue be addressed?