Chapter Five: Battle of the Sexes
Discussion Questions

Think about the following questions. Discuss them with your friends, family, and/or small group:

1. What was amiss in Adam and Eve's behavior during Eve's interaction with the Serpent?

2. What is the sex-specific consequence of sin for women? What is the sex-specific consequence of sin for men? How did Genesis 3:16 introduce the battle of the sexes?

3. How does sin impact a woman's inclination to live according to her created design? How does it impact a man's inclination to live according to his?

4. Reread the summary of sin's judgment on women (pp. 125, 126). Describe ways in which you have personally experienced the painful reality of this judgment.

5. Are men responsible for the problem of women's pain and discontent? What is the danger in viewing men as “the enemy”?

6. Why do you think the women's movement encouraged women to do womanhood their own way? Why is the obliteration or self-definition of gender roles not the solution to the pain of womanhood?

7. Has witnessing the pain of womanhood ever incited you to blame, rail against, or devalue manhood? How can we fight against injustices toward women without demonizing men?