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2 Kings chapter 22 tells the story of the prophetess Huldah during the reign of King Josiah of Judea in Jerusalem.

Josiah had commissioned repairs to be made to the temple. During the work, the priest Hilkiah and the scribe Shapham discovered the book of the Mosaic Law. They brought the book to King Josiah and read it to him. It so grieved the king that he tore off his clothes in repentance because of their nation's violation of the scripture they had read.

The king then commanded Hilkiah the priest, Shaphan the scribe, the king's own personal servant, along with Ahikam, Achbor, and Michaiah to enquire of Jehovah about all of this and what wrath would befall them for the nation's gross disobedience. Josiah needed to hear a word from the LORD, and these five leaders were commissioned to bring the word of the LORD back to him. The priest and the scribe were the religious leaders, and the other three were leaders of the people.

How did they obtain the word from God? They knew who to go to, since they did not have that "God connection." They went to a woman, and she gave the word of God over these men. She was a known prophetess named Hulda. She gave them the instructions, the word of prophecy, and the five men received it and delivered it to Josiah.

Yes, she had a word of instruction that she gave to the chiefest of men in the kingdom. God will use whomever he chooses, male, or female. There are other cases where God used a woman over a man. (Sorry, Apostle Paul.)

It is not a man's place to tell God how to operate. God is sovereign. He will choose whom He will. It is our place to submit to God and to glorify him.