

THIS SERIES CONTAINS CONTENT THAT MAY NOT
BE SUITABLE FOR IMMATURE BELIEVERS.



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Week 2: Maturing in our Manhood (Father's Day)

Introduction:

I'm Trusting God to Empower Me as...

1. ..._____ of my home
 - Love like the Savior (Eph. 5:25; Rom. 6:14)
 - Lead like a Servant (Matt. 20:28)
 - Live like a Soldier (1 Cor. 16:13)

2. ..._____ for my family
 - Set the emotional tone
 - Meet financial needs (1 Timothy 5:8)
 - Lead the household spiritually

3. ..._____ of my Heavenly Father
 - Steward the family's resources
 - Model the family's priorities
 - Direct the family's future

The Big Idea:

Through faith in Christ, men have what it takes to walk in Biblical manhood. Biblical manhood is not toxic, no matter what a morally bankrupt culture tells you. "Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong." (1 Cor. 16:13)

QUESTIONS FOR LIFE GROUPS AND PERSONAL REFLECTION...

Personal Life:

1. Our culture often uses terms like “toxic masculinity.” What do you think are the differences between strong, biblical masculinity and cultural fears or stereotypes about masculinity? Discuss...

Ponderings:

2. In the weekend message, we focused on three basic characteristics of Biblical manhood in the roles of 1) Protectors, 2) Providers and 3) Princes in our homes. What examples of other roles can you think of that pertain to godly masculinity or manhood? Discuss...
3. Historically, how has masculinity been abused or misused, and what are the differences between Biblical masculinity and worldly stereotypes? Discuss...
4. 1 Corinthians 16:13 says to the men of the church: “Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong.”

This verse is not suggesting that all men must fit a certain stereotype, Rather, these are character descriptions, not surface-level traits. Discuss the meaning of each of these characteristics as a group, and why they are important for men generally and fathers specifically...

- Be watchful
- Stand firm in the faith
- Act like men
- Be strong

Promptings:

5. Do you know a man or a father who needs encouragement today? Perhaps someone who feels like a failure and needs reminding of who he is and what he's capable of as a man walking with Christ? Consider reaching out to them this week in some simple but meaningful way (phone call, text, card, email, surprise visit, take them to coffee, etc.)