



BIBLICALLY AUTHENTIC MEN

I. Foundation: We must first and foremost be men who are pursuing God by being men of His Word.

A. EVERYTHING IS BUILT ON THIS. YOU HAVE ZERO CHANCE OF LIVING OUT YOUR MANHOOD WITHOUT BEING A MAN WHO IS IN HIS WORD.

B. Joshua 1

1. Ask God what step you need to take.
2. Beg God for a love for his Word/ his voice.
3. pray about bringing the men in your group into this battle with you.
4. Practical Step; make your plan and be as specific as you can

be: _____

II. A Core Problem: Knowing Our Stories: A close look at our story reveals we've all taken some hits.

A. Our Story

B. Our Identity in Christ

C. Omaha Beach of the Soul:

1. Where are you on that beach?
2. Indicators of your current condition:

Notes: _____

III. Building on the Foundation: Embracing our Identity in Christ. Gideon: Judges 6

A. Everything we do we do according to our self image.

B. The Assault **Against God's Glory**/Our Identity

(Note: we must link these two truths together. The assault is against God! God made you. God made you a man, and, quite frankly...all hell hates manhood. God's glory being known happens as your masculinity is released.

1. Every man has a wound because Satan hates every man
2. Every wound has a message regarding who the man is because Satan hates God's glory in a man.
3. No man will live out God's glory if he does not get his heart back. We will be men who grasp with our wives, with our children and at work if we do not embark on this redemptive path to get our whole heart back.
4. We must be known with other men with our wounds and we must take our deepest question to God: we must hear his voice over the volume of self talk and the wounds' message.
5. Who has named you?

- C. Christ announces his mission: Isa 61.
 1. Heal: Marathon race with broken leg
 2. Release your heart
 3. God’s glory and your bestowed glory resides in your heart.
 4. Prov 4: “Above all else, guard your heart...”

Notes: _____

Read Wild at Heart: chapter 4 to 8

WAKING THE DEAD QUOTE:

"... living from your glory is the only loving thing to do. You cannot love another person from a false self. You cannot love another while you are still hiding. You cannot love another unless you offer your heart. It takes courage to live from your heart. My friend said just the other day, "I desperately want to be who I am. I don't want the glory that I marvel at in others anymore. I want to be that glory which God set in me."

"Finally, our deepest fear of all . . . we will need to live from it. To admit we do have a new heart and a glory from God, to begin to let it be unveiled and embrace it as true -- that means the next thing God will do is ask us to live from it. Come out of the boat. Take the throne. Be what he meant us to be. And that feels risky . . . really risky. But it is also exciting. It is coming fully alive."

Prayer journal for the men in my small group

Name: _____ Prayer for time in the Word of God: _____

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