

Biblical Principle

When reading God's Word, take special care
To find the rich treasures hidden there;
Give thought to each line, each precept clear,
Then practice it well with godly fear. —Anon.

? Question: Is your Biblical understanding increasing, are you lacking a response to life's issues?

DO | What are you going to do about it?

Phil 4:8

“...whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things”

- Read God's Word and Pray!
- The potential of possessing the mind of Christ introduces the scandal of today's church—Christians do not think Christianly, leaving our minds undisciplined.
- You can never have a Christian mind without reading the Scriptures regularly because you cannot be influenced by that which you do not know. (Crossway)

Biblical Principal:

Exposure to God's Word is not enough – you must obey - !

? Question: What perspective, attitude or action is changing?

-----Stories from the Field-----

God's Kingdom consists of His comprehensive governance in all creation. His agenda is to advance His Kingdom and, in so doing, to reveal His glory. A Kingdom man positions himself and operates according to the comprehensive rule of God over every area of His life.

We must be in alignment with God's asking, what God Thinks, says, or wants you to do about this – what would bring Him glory.

**Your impact has a ripple effect – you impact generations.
Society's problems are the churches problems.**

We can't understand or live out God's definition of manhood without applying ALL of the content of His Word.

Dominion – exercising legitimate authority under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. Legitimate authority entails all the God provides for and permits a man to do, but not that a man wishes to do.

As men, we are responsible for that which falls within the realm of our influence that God has given; family, ministry, career, resources, community or other areas of personal influence. Accountable to carry out God's agenda – Know God and Make Him Known.

One of men's biggest barriers is the “silence of Adam” (Passivity) – withdrawal, abdicate or delegate to wife. Our primary rule is to live in a way the reflects and manifests our love for Him and our love for others.



**Conquering
Men's Issues
That Matter**

**Kingdom
Man #2**

Biblical Manhood: To love and follow Jesus by being Men of the Word and Men of Prayer while Accepting Accountability, Taking Responsibility, Leading Intentionally, Persevering through Adversity in their domain to make God Known

Manifestation: within our sphere of influence *demonstrate* that we are dependable, responsible and that we take ownership to fix, solve, or simply carry the burden of that which cannot be solved, freeing others to rest.

To be aligned with God is to constantly make your decisions, whether personal or professional, in line with God's Word. This means intentionally going into the Scriptures and often to a person acquainted with the scriptures on specific matters that you are dealing with. **Rule well!!!**

Talk about it:

Question for contemplation and discussion:

What concept resonated or became enlighten for you through this narrative?

KNOW | What does God want us to know

John 17:9-11

I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. ¹¹ And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.

- God's Glory is the revelation of his character and presence
- Our lives should reveal His character and His presence to the world through us!
- We should be united in harmony and love as the Trinity is united

Biblical Principle:

Our lives should reveal God's character and presence as we live and engage in our domain.

?Question: If you have seen me, you have seen my father (John 14:9) Do people see Jesus when they see you in your domain?

BE | How does God want us to become more like Him?

2 Peter 1:19-21

And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, ²⁰ knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. ²¹ For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

- Scriptures are our "light" and the Holy Spirit Illuminates scripture for us as we seek the truth.
- We are walkers through the city of this world –our domain, and we are often called to go out into its darkness; **let us never venture there without the light giving word, lest we slip with our feet. Each man should use the word of God personally, practically, and habitually, that he may see his way and see what lies in it.** When darkness settles down upon all around me, the word of the Lord, like a flaming torch, reveals my way. (Spurgeon)
- God's written Word, available to all in the holy Scriptures, was more sure than any personal experience -we must trust, but in Christ as revealed (not in our experience, either) in God's written Word.