



THE SEVENTY

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“Why YOU Matter”

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WHY YOUR FAITH MATTERS

If a child is the first to become a Christian there's a 3.5% chance the rest of the household will follow; if the mother is first there's a 17% chance; but if the father is the first, there is a 93% chance that everyone else in the household will follow.

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Inside the Numbers

More than 90% of American men believe in God.

Two-third of the men in America do not attend church.

Less than 10% of churches can maintain a thriving men's ministry.

On any given Sunday there are 13 million more adult women than men in America's churches.

6 million married women [one out of five] worship without their husbands every week.

Inside the Numbers

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Only 1 out of every 18 men are involved in some kind of discipleship program.

Midweek activities often draw 70 to 80 percent female participants.

75% of volunteers are women.

Over 70% of boys who are being raised in church will abandon it during their teens and twenties. Many of these boys will never return.

WHY YOU MATTER

“Here’s the good news; If we get men right, we will get marriages right too. If we get marriages right, then we will get families right. If we get families right, we will get church right. And if we get church right, then God will change the world.”

How to Disciple Men [Jay Payleitner and David Murrow, editors; forward by Patrick Morley. p. ix]



“Why You?”

*“Gather to Me **seventy men** of the elders of Israel... that they may stand there with you. Then I will come down and talk with you there. I will take of the Spirit that is upon you and will put the same upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with you, that you may not bear it yourself alone.”*

-Numbers 11:16-17 (NKJV)



The **First** Step

**God's first gift to you is Himself.
Your first gift to God is yourself.**

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

Romans 12:1-2 (NKJV)



“Is Sacrifice Enough?”

1. What is this?
2. What's the point?
3. Where and when is a man safe?
4. When and where is a man vulnerable (at risk)?
5. When is it ok to move between bases?



Three Things Better Than Sacrifice

Obedience

To obey is better than sacrifice. [1 Samuel 15:22,NIV]

Righteousness

To do what is right and just is more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice. [Proverbs 21:3,NIV]

Loyalty

"I delight in loyalty [ESV: "steadfast love"] rather than sacrifice." [Hosea 6:6,NAS]

God is calling men to be obedient, righteous, and loyal.

*To score, the batter/runner
begins and ends in the
same place – HOME PLATE.*



First Base –

OBEDIENCE

“I don’t want to disappoint others”

Second Base –

RIGHTEOUSNESS

“I don’t want to disappoint myself”

Third Base –

LOYALTY

“I don’t want to disappoint God”





WHAT NOW?

Where Do We Go From Here?

1. Speak life and only life! [Proverbs 18:21]
2. Get a quick victory – DO SOMETHING [and do it right away]!
3. Make every man a priest!
4. Meet men where they are and love them for who they are.
5. Provide a safe, sacred space for men to struggle.

Where Do We Go From Here?

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6. Equip men to grow, serve, and care.
7. Every man gets a job – we are ALL ministers!
8. Prepare men to reach and inspire other men.
9. Challenge good men to become great men.
10. Honor the honorable.





FALL 2021

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- **#LIOTF** SUNDAY – September 5, 2021
- Men's Discipleship Journey (begins September 12)
 1. Sundays @ 9 AM
 2. Mondays @ noon
 3. Thursdays @ 7 PM
- Identify three who are without Christ or marginal in their faith.
 1. Pray for them daily.
 2. HEAR THEM!
 3. Touch their lives seven times in 2021.
 4. Treat them to a meal to share your faith.
 5. Invite them to #LIOTF Sunday.
 6. Purchase books and polo shirts for them.
 7. Invite him to join a Men's Discipleship group.



ARE YOU IN?