



Map to Manhood's Declaration of Biblical Manhood

Inspired by: Ephesians 4:11-16

1. FOUNDATION

We believe the receiving and believing of the gospel of Jesus Christ is of the utmost importance in the transformation from boyhood to manhood.

Jesus Christ, truly God and truly man, lived without sin, died for sinners, rose bodily from the grave, ascended into heaven, and will return again.

Salvation is by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone, and those who receive Him are born not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

Through faith in Him, men are reconciled to God, sharing in Christ's inheritance as adopted sons of God and being conformed into His image.

We believe the Holy Scriptures, consisting of the sixty-six books of the Old and New Testaments, are God's written revelation to man, verbally and plenarily inspired by the Holy Spirit, inerrant in the original writings, and God-breathed.

We affirm the literal grammatical-historical interpretation of Scripture and believe the Bible to be the final, sufficient, and infallible authority for faith, doctrine, manhood, and practice.

Scripture stands in judgment over man; man does not stand in judgment over Scripture.

Therefore, men are called to "**Walk Worthy**".

To **walk worthy** is to live by the knowledge of God's will, carry yourself with Christlike character, and in unison while indivisible defend, proclaim, and teach a united gospel message, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

(Ephesians 4:1-16; Colossians 1:9-10, 28; John 1:12-13; Ephesians 2:1-10; 2 Timothy 3:16; Acts 2:24; Romans 6:4; Revelation 22:12; Hebrews 10:14; Revelation 2-3)

2. MANHOOD — THE UNDENIABLE CALLING

We believe biblical manhood is the joyful pursuit of sacrificial duty under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. Biblical manhood is not defined by worldly success; it is measured by the fullness of Christ.

Christ gives gifts to men for the equipping of the saints, the building up of the body, the unity of the faith, the knowledge of the Son of God, and the maturity of believers.



The P.A.T.H. to Biblical Manhood

Pursue Christ — Flee youthful passions and pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace.

Abide in Truth — Know God's Word and live under its authority.

Train and Teach Others — Be a disciple and make disciples who make disciples.

Honor God — Live for His glory in all things.

Biblical Manhood Tenets

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| ◆ Loving & Forgiving: <i>The Unwavering Mandate</i> | ◆ Leader & Mentor: <i>The Unbound Believer</i> |
| ◆ Honest & Trustworthy: <i>The Uncompromising Standard</i> | ◆ Strong & Courageous: <i>The Unbroken Spirit</i> |
| ◆ Knowledgeable & Wise: <i>The Unquenchable Thirst</i> | ◆ Humble & Obedient: <i>The Unconditional Surrender</i> |
| ◆ Responsible & Accountable: <i>The Unstoppable Force</i> | |

(Ephesians 4:11–16; Ephesians 2:10; 1 Corinthians 16:13; 2 Timothy 2:22)

3. IDENTITY

We believe man was created by God, in the image of God, and for the glory of God.

Through faith in Jesus Christ, men are reconciled to God, adopted as sons, share in Christ's inheritance, are members of His body, and are being conformed into His likeness. Therefore, a Christian man's identity is to be in Christ.

Christian men are not defined by their assignments but faithfully exercise them from their identity in Christ.

(Genesis 1:26–27; John 1:12–13; Romans 8:15–17, 29; Galatians 2:20; 2 Corinthians 5:17; 2 Corinthians 3:18; 1 Corinthians 10:31)

4. PURPOSE

We believe purpose proceeds from identity. Because identity is to be in Christ, Christian men are called to walk worthy of Christ.

Christ gives assignments, opportunities, relationships, gifts, and responsibilities for the building up of the church, the ministry of reconciliation, and the glory of God. Therefore, men are called to faithfully exercise every assignment entrusted to them as servants for Christ.

These assignments may include, but are not limited to:

- ◆ **Son** — Honor father and mother, pursue wisdom, receive instruction, be self-controlled, and imitate what is good.

(Ephesians 6:1–3; Luke 2:52; Titus 2:6)



- ♦ **Husband** — Love sacrificially, wash with the Word, lead with humility, nourish, cherish, be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, and dwell with understanding.
(*Ephesians 5:25–29; 1 Peter 3:7; Titus 2:2*)
- ♦ **Father** — Raise children in truth, provide discipline and instruction, and model faithful obedience.
(*Ephesians 6:4; Deuteronomy 6:6–7*)
- ♦ **Brother** — Love the brotherhood, bear burdens, encourage, forgive, honor everyone, and preserve unity. (*1 Peter 2:17; Galatians 6:2; Hebrews 10:24–25; Proverbs 18:24; 2 Peter 1:7*)
- ♦ **Friend** — Love sacrificially, sharpen character, speak truth, and remain faithful.
(*Proverbs 27:17; John 15:13*)
- ♦ **Worker** — Labor diligently, work with integrity, and serve as unto the Lord.
(*Colossians 3:23–24; Proverbs 22:29*)
- ♦ **Leader** — Steward influence, exercise authority through service, be humble, and lead by example.
(*Mark 10:42–45; 1 Peter 5:2–3*)
- ♦ **Teacher** — Teach sound doctrine, preserve truth, and instruct with patience.
(*2 Timothy 2:2; Titus 2:1*)
- ♦ **Disciple Maker** — Be a disciple and make disciples who make disciples.
(*Matthew 28:19–20; 2 Timothy 2:2*)
- ♦ **Ambassador** — Represent Christ faithfully and implore others to be reconciled to God.
(*2 Corinthians 5:20; Ephesians 5:8–9*)
- ♦ **Citizen** — Submit where lawful, seek peace, pursue justice, and honor governing authorities.
(*Romans 13:1–7; Isaiah 1:17*)
- ♦ **Steward** — Manage time, gifts, influence, possessions, knowledge, and opportunities for God's glory.
(*1 Corinthians 4:2; Matthew 25:14–30*)

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5. HOPE

We believe our hope is placed in the promises of God and the second coming of Jesus Christ. Christian hope is not rooted in achievement, recognition, comfort, influence, possessions, earthly success, or even the visible outcomes of our labor. Our hope is that Christ will return, complete His work, dwell with His people, make all things new, and receive glory forever. Because of this hope, Christian men endure hardship with joy, remain faithful, pursue holiness, and labor with confidence.

We believe that faithful obedience and sacrificial love are not meaningless. God uses them to strengthen families, build His church, bless communities, restore what is broken, and leave behind a legacy of faith and good works that points others to Him.

Hope establishes what a Christian man lives toward.

(*Titus 2:13; 1 Corinthians 15:58; Matthew 25:21; Revelation 21:1–5; Philippians 1:21*)