

Real Men

Introduction: How do you define a “real man?” Sometimes referred to as an Alpha male or as a “man’s man.” Movies glamorize vulgar language, beer drinking, womanizing man as the “real man.” I still tend to think of being a man as defined by those older men I grew up knowing, tough minded, hard working men. Let us look as how the Bible defines and shows us what real men look like.

I) Real Men Fulfill Their

A) In the _____, **Colossians 3:19**

1. Notice the contrast between the two ideas – love vs. bitterness.
2. Consider the needs of their wives as the weaker vessel. **1 Peter 3:7**
3. He recognizes her work and proclaims it to others. **Proverbs 31:28**

B) Provide _____ leadership in the home. **Joshua 24:15**

1. Not just Joshua was going to follow God but his whole household.
2. What kind of spiritual leadership are you providing?

C) Provide spiritual leadership in the _____

1. Have you notice the qualifications for being an elder involves the home? **1 Timothy 3:2 - 4**
2. Many homes are missing the godly men the church is also hurting.

D) Strives to help his family go to heaven

II) Real Men _____, John 11:35 Jesus _____.

A) Jesus wept over the suffering of others. **Matthew 23:37**

B) Jeremiah cried, often called the weeping prophet. **Jeremiah 9:1**

III) Real Men _____

A) Real men are not perfect.

1. The only perfect man was Jesus.
2. Some men may give the façade of being perfect, of hiding their imperfections.

B) Real men acknowledge their _____ and repent.

1. _____ sin with Bathsheba. **2 Samuel 12:13**
2. _____ had to repent of his sins, persecuting Christians. **Acts 9:6, 22:16**

IV) Real Men Practice _____, 1 Corinthians 9:26 - 27

A) They learn to control their anger.

1. Not like _____. **1 Kings 21:4**
2. There will be disappointments in life, a real man does not quit or blame others.

B) Real men learn to control their desires. **Job 31:1**

V) Real Men _____, Galatians 2:20

A) They have their _____ right

B) _____ in view

1. Daniel’s three friends were real men. **Daniel 3:16 -18**
2. They stood by their convictions; they would not bow to an idol.

Conclusion: Real men do not look to Hollywood for role models or modern culture. But to God and other godly men as their role models. The words integrity and virtue come to mind when thinking of a “real man.” Paraphrasing Proverbs 31 and the “virtuous woman” let me describe the virtuous man.