

## Men's Breakfast December Notes

1. How do you define Manhood?
2. Where do we get our understanding of what manhood is? As a group, identify influencers that our culture uses to define manhood.
3. How do you know when you become a man?
4. What are rites of passage to manhood?

Romans 8:29 *"For those he foreknew He also predestined to conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brothers."*

5. According to this verse, what is the desired outcome of salvation?
6. What does it mean to be conformed to the image of His Son? How does that happen?

John 5:19-20,30. *So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father<sup>[e]</sup> does, that the Son does likewise. <sup>20</sup>For the Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing. And greater works than these will he show him, so that you may marvel. <sup>30</sup>I can do nothing on my own. As I hear, I judge, and my judgment is just, because I seek not my own will but the will of him who sent me.*

7. What do these verses tell us about Jesus' connection to the Father?
8. How is this contrary to what our culture tells us men should be?
9. What do the following verses say about manhood?

1 Corinthians 16:13-14. <sup>13</sup> *Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. <sup>14</sup> Let all that you do be done in love.*

1 Peter 3:7. <sup>7</sup> *Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing honor to the woman as the weaker vessel, since they are heirs with you<sup>1</sup> of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered.*

1 Kings 2:2-4. <sup>2</sup> *"I am about to go the way of all the earth. Be strong, and show yourself a man, <sup>3</sup> and keep the charge of the Lord your God, walking in his ways and keeping his statutes, his commandments, his rules, and his testimonies, as it is written in the Law of Moses, that you may prosper in all that you do and wherever you turn, <sup>4</sup> that the Lord may establish his word that he spoke concerning me, saying, 'If your sons pay close attention to their way, to walk before me in faithfulness with all their heart and with all their soul, you shall not lack a man on the throne of Israel.'*

Micah 6:8. *He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?*

Psalm 1:1-6. *Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; <sup>2</sup> but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night. <sup>3</sup> He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers. <sup>4</sup> The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. <sup>5</sup> Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; <sup>6</sup> for the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.*

10. To take home with you: What steps do you need to take this week to be closer to Biblical manhood?