
Ephesians 6:13 Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.

Cycle of internal and relational change

- Longing
- Disappointment
- Hunger
- Encounter
- Reflect
- Longing

When we know Jesus enough to value nothing greater than to enjoy Him and reveal Him to people by the way we relate, we will become more alive as masculine men and feminine women.

Pg 1: heart; impact; strength; love; Pg 2: fear; Pg 3: Shallow; Secular; Selfish

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Embracing Maleness

Building a Marriage--part 7

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The Gendered h.

*Genesis 1:26-27 Then God said, "Let us make human beings in our image, to be like us" So God created human beings in his own image. In the image of God he created them; **male** ("**zakar**") and female ("**neqebah**") he created them. (NLT)*

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"Zakar" -

Moving with s.

1 Kings 2:2 ... "Be strong and show yourself a man."

Sacrificial I.

Ephesians 5:25, 28 Husbands, love your wives as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her.... He nourishes and cherishes ... as Christ does the church

Reflecting how God relates to people

*Exodus 2:23 During that long period, the king of Egypt died. The Israelites groaned in their slavery and cried out, and their cry for help because of their slavery went up to God. ²⁴ God **heard** their groaning and he **remembered** (maled) his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac and with Jacob. ²⁵ So God **looked on** the Israelites and was concerned about them. (knew it was **time to act**).*

What derails our masculinity? F_____.

Genesis 3:17 ..."Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat of it all the days of your life.

¹⁸ *It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field.*

¹⁹ *By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return."*

The weightless man.

Romans 7:21-24 "...I've tried everything and nothing helps. I'm at the end of my rope. Is there no one who can do anything for me? Isn't that the real question?"

Counterfeits of manhood:

a. S_____ Man -

b. S_____ Man -

c. S_____ Man -

The sincerely struggling man

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"I know nothing about the wonderful experience of freedom from conflict and complete deliverance from every evil tendency. I have never won an inch of the way to heaven without fighting for it. I have never lived a day but I have had sorrow over my imperfection. I sometimes get near to God but at that time I weep most for my faults and failings." - Charles Spurgeon

2 Corin. 1:8 We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about the hardships we suffered in the province of Asia. We were under great pressure, far beyond our ability to endure, so that we despaired even of life.
