

The Journey from Boyhood to Manhood

How are we equipping those following us on this journey?



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Seven Stages of a Man's Life

1. Pre-natal – conception to birth

2. Infancy – birth to one year of age

3. Boyhood – 2 years to 10 years

4. Young manhood – 10 to 16 years

5. Manhood – 16 to 35 years

6. Mentor – 35 to 55 years

7. Patriarch – 55 years to death

A Critical Stage for Parents

The most important and critical time for a Dad to capture a young child's heart often is between stage 3-4

Stage# 3 Boyhood - Stage #4 Young Boyhood

This is an important stage need to be handled intentionally and involves both Mom and Dad.

Remember to pray together as parents for wisdom!

Dad's Job

Be the hero in your Son's life! (Enjoy this stage as it is subject to change!)

Lead by Example (more important than words)

- Dad must be honest
- Dad must be real
- Dad must be faithful
- Dad must be a man of the Word
- Dad must be a man of the Spirit

Mom's Job

Mom's need to encourage their sons to become men

Mom's need to recognize and be willing to let go of their sons as they are becoming men.

Mom's need to quit doting on their sons so they do become men

Parent's Job

It is very important that children have the opportunity to see that their parents love & respect each other, more than any other person in the world!

Does this automatically happen in your home?..... Let's remember to be intentional!

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Words Our Children NEED to Hear from Dad

This is My Son

“This is My beloved Son, In whom I am well pleased”

Use your Children's Names

Introduce your children **By Name** to people that you meet such as.

- Co-workers
- Old friends
- Neighbors
- Places of business
- Etc. etc.

“You Are Growing Up!”

From as early as a child can communicate with words it is so important and vital that we as parents , and especially Dad's are recognizing change and growth in our children's life both physically and emotionally and of course spiritually as a child matures.

Let's us Dad's not just recognize it and maybe talk to our wife about it.....

**Ours Children NEED to hear it from US as Dad's
Their heart is crying out for Love, Belonging and Significance!**

Who has impacted your life positively?

Make a list of people that have impacted your life in a very positive. If possible contact them and thank them, send a card etc etc.

Maybe.... you never even met the person personally.....

Proverbs 22:1

A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches , and loving favor rather than silver and gold



David Ebling w/Grandson Jason Reed



David Ebling w/ Frank Reed (grandson)

Seeing Forgiveness

Our Children or those following after us need to SEE forgiveness demonstrated in our lives.

Does your daily life display this?

Men's Challenge for the Day

Thank your child today for something they did.

Delight in your children today

Speak words of blessing to your children today

Tell your children that you are well pleased with them today

**Your children are hungry for those words,
Tell them today!**

Guess What?

Dad, Grandpa, Uncle, Big Brother, Boss, Church Leader, Teacher. Whatever other title you may have.....

**You are Not Perfect,
You Will make Mistakes!**

But let's remember to cry out daily for guidance to Our Father, Jesus Christ for wisdom and direction. He WILL provide. And remember....

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Faithful Men

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1. There are man - y to - day who have wan - dered a - way; They are
 2. Give us men who are strong when the bat - tle is long, Give us
 3. There's no time for de - lay; men are need - ed to - day, Men per -

out in the fields of sin. Once they walked in the light; now they
 men with the will to win. Men cou - ra - geous and true, tho their
 sis - tent un - to the end; Men whose feet are se - cure on the

groped thru the night, O Lord, give us faith-ful men!
 num - ber be few. O Lord, give us faith-ful men! Faith - ful men, Faith - ful
 Rock that is sure. O Lord, give us faith-ful men! Faith - ful men,

men, Faith - ful men, To re - cap - ture the vi - sion a - gain. Give us

men who are true, and loy - al thru and thru, O Lord, give us faith - ful men.

Small Group Time

God Bless you as you go to small group, be open and share!