NOW WORD Covenant Church BIBLICAL MANHOOD Genesis 1:27 Sunday, June 16, 2019

Introduction: In our ever-changing culture, the definition of manhood is changing. As a Christ follower, we must make sure we are not violating the definition of biblical manhood and not honoring God's definition of manhood.

Genesis 1:27. So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. (NKJV)

Overall message:

- 1. Biblical definition of manhood and not an opinion
- 2. Role differences for male and female
- 3. Broad stroke (what if and what about)

Biblical Culture:

Males are expected to: (1) fulfill a male sex role, (2) perform in a masculine way, and (3) be interested in females.

Females are expected to: (1) fulfill a female sex role, (2) perform in a feminine way, and (3) be interested in males.

Sex is binary: a person is either male or female identified by their biological sex at birth.

Post-Modern Culture:

- Gender distinctions: (a) personality traits, (b) domestic responsibilities, (c) occupations, and (d) physical appearance are androgynous
- 2. Gender orientation (homosexuality)
- 3. Gender identification (transgender)

Sex is non-binary: genders are not exclusive; gender identity and orientation are decided by the child at the age appropriate time. *The gender of the child is no longer identified by its sexual organs.*

Honoring Biblical Manhood: to esteem, uphold, recognize, and <u>respect</u> the position of males in the society.

"Honoring biblical manhood is foundational for carrying out God's design for the moral social order of a society." Stages of Manhood: (1) Boy (puberty), (2) Man (maturity),

- (3) Husband (headship), (4) Father (mentorship),
- (5) Grandfather (patriarch)

Definition of Biblical Manhood:

"A boy who matures into his role as a man, husband, father and grandfather by walking in relationship with God. He is called a '**Man of God**!" *Walking in relationship with God informs and empowers every role a man has to fulfill in his life.*"

"A <u>Man of God</u> possesses the following <u>5</u> qualities: (1) faith, (2) love, (3) integrity, (4) vocation, and (5) strength."

<u>3 Ways</u> a Woman Honors Biblical Manhood

- 1. They ______ a man Genesis 2:21-23
 - Woman was made from man for man
 - Woman with a woman does not honor her purpose for a man
- 2. They _____ from sex

1 Thessalonians 4:3. God's will is for you to be holy, so **stay away** from all **sexual sin**. ^{4.} Then each of you will control his own body and live in holiness and honor. (NLT)

- Holiness abstinence
- Honor virginity
- Have her own husband 1 Corinthians 7:2
- You're not a sexual attraction 1 Timothy 2:9-10
- 3. They ______ the role of a husband
 - > Helps her husband

Genesis 2:18. Then the Lord God said, "It is **not good** for the **man to be alone**. I will make a **helper** who is **just right** for him." ²⁴. This explains why a **man leaves** his father and mother and **is joined to his wife** and the two are **united into one**. ²⁵. Now the man and his wife were both naked, but they felt no shame. (NLT)

- Submits to her husband Ephesians 5:22-23
- Respects her husband Ephesians 5:33
- Bears children for her husband Genesis 1:28a