

Your Example Matters! ...1Corinthians 10:1-13

“So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.”

...1Corinthians 10:31 (ESV)

“Lord, make my way prosperous not that I achieve high station, but that my life be an exhibit to the value of knowing God.” ...Jim Elliot (Missionary)

1. **Our Lives...** *A Testimony to Everyone around us!*

Scripture: 1Corinthians 10:1-13, Romans 14:13-21

2. **Be Decided...** *Committed with Conviction!*

Scripture: Romans 14:13

3. **Legitimacy or Hypocrisy...** *What are You known for?*

Scripture: Romans 12:9-21

4. **Your Example Matters...** *Live worthy of being Imitated!*

Scripture: 1Corinthians 11:1

- Who you are as a person Matters....
 - it matters to your Wife
 - it matters to your Kids
 - it matters to Everyone around you
 - it matters to the **Lord**

Group Discussion

1. What stood out to you in tonight's message and scripture passages? ...*be descriptive!*
2. Can you think of anyone in your life who has been an exceptional example of a Man of Godly Character, ...someone who has been Considerate, Patient, Kind, and who has reflected Godly Love, Wisdom, and Strength in their lives?
 - What Characteristics and Actions have you seen in that person that stand out to you, worthy of imitating?
3. Are there any activities you do, words you say, choices you make, or things you take part in that could set a compromised or poor example for your family members, and/or those around you? ...*discuss with your Group!*
 - Identify some of the areas that you know you fall short in setting an example that reflects a life surrendered to the Lord Jesus...
 - How can you actively grow and improve in these areas of your life? ...*talk about it with your Group!*
4. READ **Psalm 15** together... Then go over **Verses 2-4** written below from the "New Living Translation", one at a time, and talk about what each one should look like in your life...the life of a Man of God!
 - Those who lead blameless lives and do what is right...*verse 2:*
 - Speaking the truth from sincere hearts...*verse 2:*
 - Those who refuse to gossip, or harm their neighbors, or speak evil of their friends...*verse 3:*
 - Those who despise flagrant sinners, and honor the faithful followers of the LORD...*verse 4:*
 - Those who keep their promises even when it hurts...*verse 4:*
5. Is there anything from tonight's discussion that spoke to you personally? In what way(s) does it affect your life? **How will you directly and specifically apply it in your life today?**

Take a few moments to share any Prayer Requests with the men in your Group. Write down any requests and commit to pray for one another throughout the week.

(It's great to know that other guys are praying for the important things in your life...and it's great to be praying for the important things in their lives!)

How do the **5 Principles for the Christian Man**, help equip you to apply this to your life?

Discuss your answer with your group...

- Prayer (*Relationship*)
- God's Word (*Knowledge and Understanding*)
- Worship (*Adoration*)
- Fellowship (*Encouragement and Accountability*)
- Service (*Caring for Others, Action to your Belief*)