



“Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the hole of the pit from which you were dug.” - (Isaiah 51:1)

WHERE ARE THE REAL MEN?

FIND YOUR HERITAGE

1. *Now faith is confidence in things expected; proof of things not in sight.*

Hebrews 11:1

Faith begets confidence, and confidence begets courage. We have a heritage of faith and courage. Scripture speaks of men who were compelled to seek, learn, grow, and fulfill the calling of God. It moved our forefathers to be pioneers, forerunners, groundbreakers, builders, and leaders. That spiritual heritage is the pit from which we are dug. That pit refers all the way back to Abraham. Our ancestral lineage is rich in men of faith and courage. Scripture instructs us to look to these men – our pioneer forefathers whose genes and spirit are in us.

Pioneers are men of accomplishment and vision. Like Abraham they build futures - for themselves and for their descendants. For future generations. They are unafraid to forge ahead to make a way for others who will follow. They are survivors - men with a can-do attitude and a love of freedom equal with their hatred of exploitation.

This is our heritage - the rock from which we are hewn. We have an honest claim to this spirit if we will look to our pioneer forefathers as examples. They are that spiritual quarry that Isaiah refers to: our family legacy. This spirit is the essence that defined them, and should define us and set us apart as they were set apart. Separate from the weaklings who gravitate like water to low ground.

God's word provides a record of our forefathers who were Israelite patriarchs - men like Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, Joshua, Elijah, and the long list of heroes of the faith. Some them are named in Hebrews 11. Of course, Jesus and the apostles were pioneer heroes. These are models for us. When we need inspiration and courage we can look to these examples - our forefathers. And of course the ultimate model for faith and courage is our Lord Jesus whose genes and spirit we share. These comprise the glorious "pit" (quarry) from which we are dug.

ABRAHAM WAS CALLED OUT

Abraham was the quintessential pioneer - called by God to separate himself from the land of Ur of the Chaldees where he and his family were living (Genesis 12). He and his wife, Sarai, were called to the land of Canaan where they began their quest for that spiritual "city with foundations, whose builder and maker is God" (Hebrews 11:10). They were God's pioneers and they would become the progenitors of a great family/nation, and through them would come multitudes who would be blessed.

The history of our ancestors - pioneers of whom "the world was not worthy" according to Paul - is a grand foundation upon which we can build and learn. Paul says in Hebrews 12:1 that these men (along with others like them) are a "great cloud of witnesses encompassing us." We can look to their witness to strengthen us to run with endurance the race that is set before us. And may we not weaken or fail to stand up strong like men - especially today as we face new and strange challenges.

13. *Watch, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong.*

1 Corinthians 16:13

Real men are not attracted by the modern shameful weaklings. Rather, let us look to strong role models and learn the meaning of "real men." Men of faith. Men like Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego (Daniel 3:13-18). Men who faced great pressures but refused to conform to the shameful customs of their day. They would not desecrate their heritage by bowing to the tyrant and government. Rather, they looked to God and did not put their faith in a godless government of men.

14. *Nebuchadnezzar spake and said to them, Is it true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, that you do not serve my gods, nor worship the golden image which I have set up?*

15. *Now if you be ready that any time you hear the sound of the comet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of music, you will fall down and worship the image which I have made; it is well: but if you worship not, you shall be cast the same hour into the midst of a burning fiery furnace; and who is the God that shall deliver you out of my hands?*
16. *Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we are not careful to answer you in this matter.*
17. *If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us out of your hand, O king.*
18. *But if not, be it known to you, O king, that we will not serve your gods, nor worship the golden image which you have set up.*

Daniel 3:14-18

The psalmist put it this way:

6. *Yahweh is with me, I will not fear; what can man do to me?*
8. *It is better to trust in Yahweh than to put confidence in man.*

Psalms 118:6, 8

REAL MEN

In America today real men are getting scarce. Perhaps they have always been scarce. But today somethings are happening that brings that truth to the surface. Some things are becoming more obvious.

Millions of children are raised with incorrect role models. Little boys learn about their world from ignorant and corrupted teachers in government schools and churches - so they don't have the benefit of growing with good role models. Kids need "real men" in their lives who are strong and can think clearly, and can teach right from wrong, and can stand for what is right. Standing for what's right seems to have given way to ignorance and idolatry. Kids are being raised to trust the Beast System, seek money instead of Christian standards, and selling themselves to the corporate beasts. Losing a job is now feared more than losing their souls. Learning how to work the Beast System has taken precedence over learning how to honor Jesus. Americans today tend to think not in terms of what is right, but instead how to gain advantage over others as in the stock market for example. Graduates of public education have not been taught to know and love Christ. No. They have been indoctrinated to know and love the Beast System - that is, the ways of the "merchants of the earth" (Rev. 18:3).

When I speak of real men I am not referring to men of wealth and influence, nor of men of position in government, nor in corporations, nor celebrities, nor macho men with big mouths and egos but small brains and hearts.

Then there are also those who have been feminized and robbed of their backbone - resembling lemmings more than men. They are brainwashed by schools and churches

to be tolerant of the LGBT generation; to "get in touch with their feminine side." Instead of learning how to be men they are being turned into worthless drones, perverts who don't know the difference between male and female.

It is a sad state of affairs. Instead of growing up into responsible, loving, strong family men - heroes to their wives and children - they are not growing up at all. They are spoiled juvenile delinquents in adult bodies. They are incapable of loving and protecting their wives and nurturing their children - nor can their families respect them.

Look at what they are doing to their children. It is insidious. Little boys and girls today are being poisoned with vaccines and chemicals, and plied with lies and pagan ideas through the public schools and by movies to turn them into feminized boys that will never be real men, and masculine girls incapable of being good mothers - misfits - chimeras, neither male nor female - growing up to be neither fully men of God nor fully women of God. Even though they still seem to know how to breed, they are incapable of being real fathers or mothers. They marry, but never seek the Reign of King Jesus. They've lost the ability be leaders and protectors. Consequently more children in America are growing up without real dads to look up to.

Yes, Americans are forgetting what it means to be honorable. Christ-centered families in America are on the endangered list.

In public schools little boys are being told that masculinity is "toxic." In fact, schools are teaching little children that gender identification is wrong. Teachers and school curriculum are stealing the minds of children. Instead of developing their minds they are filling their heads with nonsense. They are brainwashing and indoctrinating them with the philosophy of Postmodernism.

Postmodernism is the modern expression of the Greek philosopher Protagoras who taught that "*man is the measure of all things.*" This declares that all truth is subjective, and there are no objective (ultimate) truths. Subjective truth is what men perceive. Truth varies from person to person. It is whatever one believes it to be. Thus, two plus two may equal four - or it may equal 3 or 5 depending on who is observing it. In other words, truth is fluid. It molds to man's observation. Truth didn't exist before man observed it - and it is not uniform. It is subjective - dependent upon perception and belief. Your truth is not my truth. Etc..

Americans are being shaped by pagan teachings where law is merely a feature of societal preference and tradition. Nothing supersedes the observation/discovery by man. God is merely a tribal superstition. Nothing more.

This is taught in all public venues (schools, colleges, and universities, most churches, etc.). The dogma says there is NO GOD and NO ULTIMATE TRUTH. It teaches that "truth" (ethics of right and wrong) is established by the preferences of contemporary society - therefore "truth" is the product of the state of mind of current society.

Today "truth is what you perceive it to be." Truth is whatever a man prefers it to be. Gender identification, for example, cannot be known universally. It can change with individual preference. No one can know for sure. Right and wrong can be different for me than it is for you. In other words, ANYTHING GOES. There are no set principles for

anything. The laws of God were invented by past cultures. Nothing is set in stone. Our society is reverting to the law of the jungle. Everything, every principle, is only preference. The Ten Commandments are seen as Ten Cultural Prejudices from a distant impertinent past.

That is **Postmodernism**. It is the current idolatry. Modern man is poisoned by it. It is killing manhood. When God and his law are removed from society, that society is doomed. People without God's law are helpless, defenseless and unable to survive on their own.

The Lord says through his prophet Jeremiah that his people should have his law (knowledge of right and wrong) internalized "in their hearts."

33. *But this is the covenant that I was making with the House of Israel after those days (after Mt Sinai), says Yahweh, I was putting my law in their minds, and writing it on their hearts; and I was their God, and they were my people. (verb tenses corrected)*

Jeremiah 31:33

God wants his law implanted into our hearts and minds. It is not enough to know about God's law. It must be internalized. That means first that we must trust Him. And we must be schooled in his law in order to understand it.

7. *Hearken to me, you that know righteousness, the people in whose heart is my law; do not fear the reproach of men, neither be you afraid of their revilings.*

Isaiah 51:7

Isaiah and Jeremiah were telling Israel that God wanted the people to trust Him. It was not a future prophecy. It was an ever-present principle that was taught by Moses.

5. *And you shall love Yahweh your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.*

Deut. 6:5

Any society that refuses to do this soon self-destructs.

6. *My people were cut off for lack of knowledge: because you rejected knowledge, I reject you from being a priest to me: seeing you were forgetting the law of your God, I was also forgetting your children.*

14. *... a people without understanding comes to ruin.*

Hosea 4:6 & 14

THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD

18. *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He has anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,*

Luke 4:18

The good news ("gospel") of Christ's Reign repeats what Moses taught - that when we have God's law in our

hearts and minds it frees us from slavery to wicked systems of men. It gives us spirit (courage) to act like real men. Jesus COMMUNICATES more fully the message God gave through Moses. Through Jesus we see and understand that truth. That is the "sight" of which He speaks. God communicates to man. He communicates through his messengers like Moses, the prophets, and ultimately Jesus. John says this is the first and most important thing for us to grasp.

1. *The main thing is the logos (communication), and the logos (communication) pertains to God. And God is the logos.*

John 1:1

All good things start with communication from God. That has always been true. It is still true. Faith heals the brokenhearted, delivers the captives, gives sight to the spiritually blind, liberates them that are bruised. Faith in God does all these good things in our lives. Without faith, we are helpless - like a ship with no compass or captain.

So remember ... a good captain can pilot his ship through a storm. And if you don't want to end up like a ship wrecked at sea, you must trust God and his laws - and those laws are our compass that points us to truth and protects us from shipwreck.

GIRD UP YOUR LOINS LIKE MEN

I'm calling on men to gird up their loins. To have faith and be strong ... even when it seems you are surrounded by enemies. Just remember, when you are surrounded by the enemy you have them right where you want them. You can shoot in any direction and hit the target.

Take heart and stand up for Jesus who stood for you even though it meant torture and death. And if you consider the meaning of courage you'll find that it requires faith. Death is defeated and life begins with faith in God.

Faith in God (in his love and in his law) is the foundation for courage. Faith in God is the solid ground on which we can stand fast, act like men, and follow Christ.

When a man has lived his life and his end is near, can he say "I have trusted in my Lord and stood up for Him. I have not been a coward"? If he can say this, then his life has meant something. This is our purpose in life. Don't let your opportunities to stand for Christ pass you by.

It has also been said that it is pitiful for a man to face his death having never really lived. We get opportunities in our lives to hear our call. Answer the call, and be a man. Give of yourself. Serve your Lord. Let the world know that you stand for something great.

13. *Awake! Stand firm in the faith; be men; be strong.*

1 Corinthians 16:13

8. *And I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.*

Isaiah 6:8

19. *Then the same day at evening, being the first of*

Sabbaths, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst, and said to them, Peace be to you.

20. *And when He had so said, He showed to them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.*

21. *Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be to you: as my Father has sent me, so send I you.*

John 20:19-21

16. *Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be you therefore wise as serpents, and pure as doves.*

17. *But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the Sanhedrin (Jewish council), and they will scourge you in their synagogues;*

18. *And you shall be brought before governors and kings on account of me, for a testimony to them and to the nations.*

19. *But when they deliver you up, be not anxious how or what you shall speak: for it shall be given you in that same hour what you should speak.*

20. *For it is not you that speaks, but the spirit of your Father speaking in you.*

Matthew 10:16-21

It takes the courage of your faith to stand up on behalf of those you love - to stand against the tide and protect your loved ones. Real men do this without hesitation. Courage comes automatically to men of faith. They don't need to think twice. Their faith determines their actions.

No man willingly acts against his real faith. He can't. We are guided by faith. When we make a choice it is always according to our faith. If our choice is wrong it is because our faith is wrong. People do not act against their faith. They choose the course that aligns with their faith.

As James says, he shows his faith by his works. Matthew says "by their fruits (actions) you shall know them." A man's faith is manifest in his choices and actions.

Cowards and hypocrites profess faith in one thing but their choices show something else. They may profess faith in Christ, but actually believe in anti-christs. You can tell by their choices. Churchgoers typically profess to trust Christ. But they, almost without exception, trust the Beast System instead - because their church teaches Beast System principles. So they follow the Beast System while claiming they are following Christ. They don't even realize what they are doing. Churches deceive. That's their purpose - and they prove it by their anti-biblical doctrines. They rob their people of faith and courage..

Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego did not need to work up courage to stand against Nebuchadnezzar in Daniel 3. They already had courage. It was their faith.

People lack courage because they lack faith. They trust the wrong systems. The big question is "who do they trust?"

If they decide to sail a boat across the ocean they trust their maps and compasses. If they decide to jump out of a plane they trust their parachute to save them. If they choose to take a COVID shot they trust Anthony Fauci and Bill Gates and the hospital system. In each case they choose according to what/who they trust. Men who trust devils and liars are setting themselves up to fail.

I'm stressing a very basic and simple logic. Men who trust God are empowered, and God blesses them. They can make good choices and avoid being tricked by devils.

We are known by the evidence of who we trust.

JUDGE RIGHTEOUS JUDGMENT

In these trying times we are being called to make "righteous judgment." But millions of "covidots are making unrighteous judgments. Instead of trusting truth and logic they are trusting devils. Placing trust in man's government will leave you in the ditch along with the blind. Those who trust the Beast System get in line to get their death shots (vaccines), wear their masks, register their guns, vote, send their children to government schools, pledge allegiance to the flag (the banner of their captors), support the military, volunteer to fight in government wars, trust Tony Fauci and the CDC, call cops on their neighbors, etc., etc. These are already in the ditch. In other words, they trust and worship the Beast System instead of Christ. They trust man's Beast System instead of God's system. You can see how America finds herself in the mess she is in.

The first step needed is for men to become men again. They need to stand up and demand truth. They need truth to protect their loved ones from the devils. To save their children from being sacrificed to Molech (Jer. 32:26-35).

Where are these men? They are badly needed to stand up and refuse to submit or comply with the devils. Real men do not chase the dollar and leave their families unprotected. They do not focus on climbing the corporate ladder and forget their own home. They do not chase after the lust of the flesh, lust of the eyes, and the pride of life (1 John 2:16). They are not faithless, worthless, or just don't care. Real men see the blessings God has for their families.

Where are these men? They need to come out of hiding and "act like men."

The early disciples learned they could survive in spite of the Beast Systems around them - and become better men for it. They trusted their King - and they thrived. This was an important point, because they rejected the tendency to submit to tyrants at the expense of freedom. They could admit past errors and they didn't fear being unpopular or disliked. They didn't give in to that natural "need" to avoid criticism and to be accepted by their ungodly contemporaries. They refused to run with the herd, and instead chose to be separate and follow Christ. To be free of the herd is one of the greatest freedoms we can experience.

The Apostle Paul overcame that need. After being stoned, whipped, and shipwrecked his preference of "friends" decidedly changed. Who do you trust?

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