

A black and white photograph of a group of men sitting on a leather sofa in a modern living room with brick walls and wooden floors. The men are engaged in conversation, with some looking towards the center and others looking at each other. A coffee table is in front of them. The word "DEFINED" is overlaid in large, light blue, sans-serif capital letters, flanked by two horizontal white lines.

DEFINED

A BetterMan Courageously
Follows God's Word

PART 1



BETTERMAN

A black and white photograph of two men hiking up a rocky trail. The man on the right is helping the man on the left up by holding his hand. Both are wearing backpacks and smiling. The background shows a rocky, hilly landscape.

SESSION 5

Becoming Courageous in the Mission



BETTERMAN

1

Mission is an Essential Part of Real Manhood

1

Mission is an Essential Part of Real Manhood

A. God desires to use our lives today to bring heaven to earth and people to heaven.

1

Mission is an Essential Part of Real Manhood

- A. God desires to use our lives today to bring heaven to earth and people to heaven.
- He calls us to **reach** others with the life and teachings of Jesus.

1

Mission is an Essential Part of Real Manhood

- A. God desires to use our lives today to bring heaven to earth and people to heaven.
- He calls us to reach others with the life and teachings of Jesus.
 - He also calls us to **bless** others with good works.

1

Mission is an Essential Part of Real Manhood

- A.** God desires to use our lives today to bring heaven to earth and people to heaven.
- He calls us to reach others with the life and teachings of Jesus.
 - He also calls us to bless others with good works.
- B.** Unfortunately, the natural gravity of our flesh will seek to pull us towards **passivity** and selfishness.

1

Mission is an Essential Part of Real Manhood

- A.** God desires to use our lives today to bring heaven to earth and people to heaven.
- He calls us to reach others with the life and teachings of Jesus.
 - He also calls us to bless others with good works.
- B.** Unfortunately, the natural gravity of our flesh will seek to pull us towards passivity and selfishness.
- C.** Only with God's help can we courageously **step up** to the mission God has for each of us.

2

Jesus Calls Us to Live Beyond Ourselves

2

Jesus Calls Us to Live Beyond Ourselves

A. God's calling on people's lives has always been a call to live for others.

2

Jesus Calls Us to Live Beyond Ourselves

- A. God's calling on people's lives has always been a call to live for others.
- From the beginning, God has blessed people so they can be a **blessing**.

2

Jesus Calls Us to Live Beyond Ourselves

A. God's calling on people's lives has always been a call to live for others.

- From the beginning, God has blessed people so they can be a blessing.
- When God's people, the Israelites, are taken **captive** and forced to live against their will in a foreign land, God calls them to be a blessing to the people there.

2

Jesus Calls Us to Live Beyond Ourselves

- A.** God's calling on people's lives has always been a call to live for others.
- From the beginning, God has blessed people so they can be a blessing.
 - When God's people, the Israelites, are taken captive and forced to live against their will in a foreign land, God calls them to be a blessing to the people there.
- B.** Jesus came to live beyond himself. He didn't shrink back but **stepped up** to live for others.

2

Jesus Calls Us to Live Beyond Ourselves

Continued...

C. Jesus calls us to live beyond ourselves and give our lives away to help others.

2

Jesus Calls Us to Live Beyond Ourselves

Continued...

- C. Jesus calls us to live beyond ourselves and give our lives away to help others.
- D. The call of Jesus means our faith is to be lived out by reaching out.

3 Our Mission as Men

3

Our Mission as Men

A. Our mission at home.

3 Our Mission as Men

A. Our mission at home.

- We are called to love, **protect**, and **provide** for our wives and children. When we do, we follow the example of Jesus and honor God.

3

Our Mission as Men

A. Our mission at home.

- We are called to love, protect, and provide for our wives and children. When we do, we follow the example of Jesus and honor God.
- What holds you **back** from embracing your mission at home?

3 Our Mission as Men

A. Our mission at home.

- We are called to love, protect, and provide for our wives and children. When we do, we follow the example of Jesus and honor God.
- What holds you back from embracing your mission at home?
- It takes faith and the **support** of others to be the courageous husband and father you need to be. Will you step up?

3 Our Mission as Men

A. Our mission at home.

- We are called to love, protect, and provide for our wives and children. When we do, we follow the example of Jesus and honor God.
- What holds you back from embracing your mission at home?
- It takes faith and the support of others to be the courageous husband and father you need to be. Will you step up?

B. Our mission at work.

3

Our Mission as Men *Continued...*

- We have been called to set an example of hard work and **integrity** in the work place. When we do, we honor God and highlight Jesus.

3

Our Mission as Men *Continued...*

- We have been called to set an example of hard work and integrity in the work place. When we do, we honor God and highlight Jesus.
- What holds you back from embracing your mission at work?

3

Our Mission as Men *Continued...*

- We have been called to set an example of hard work and integrity in the work place. When we do, we honor God and highlight Jesus.
- What holds you back from embracing your mission at work?
- It takes faith and the support of others to be the courageous worker you need to be. Will you step up?

3

Our Mission as Men *Continued...*

- We have been called to set an example of hard work and integrity in the work place. When we do, we honor God and highlight Jesus.
- What holds you back from embracing your mission at work?
- It takes faith and the support of others to be the courageous worker you need to be. Will you step up?

C. Our mission in the world.

3

Our Mission as Men *Continued...*

- We have been called to set an example of hard work and integrity in the work place. When we do, we honor God and highlight Jesus.
- What holds you back from embracing your mission at work?
- It takes faith and the support of others to be the courageous worker you need to be. Will you step up?

C. Our mission in the world.

- What holds you **back** from embracing your mission in the world?

3

Our Mission as Men *Continued...*

- We have been called to set an example of hard work and integrity in the work place. When we do, we honor God and highlight Jesus.
- What holds you back from embracing your mission at work?
- It takes faith and the support of others to be the courageous worker you need to be. Will you step up?

C. Our mission in the world.

- What holds you back from embracing your mission in the world?
- It takes faith and the **support** of others to be the courageous witness you need to be for Jesus. Will you step up?

4

The Man You Need to Meet Before Leaving This Study

4

The Man You Need to Meet Before Leaving This Study

- A. This man lives in the future.
- B. He has not been **perfect**. He has struggled. But again and again, he has stepped up to courageously followed God's Word. As a result ...

4

The Man You Need to Meet Before Leaving This Study

- A. This man lives in the future.
- B. He has not been perfect. He has struggled. But again and again, he has stepped up to courageously followed God's Word. As a result ...
 - His life has changed for the better.

4

The Man You Need to Meet Before Leaving This Study

- A. This man lives in the future.
- B. He has not been perfect. He has struggled. But again and again, he has stepped up to courageously followed God's Word. As a result ...
 - His life has changed for the better.
 - He has made a **life-giving** impact on others.

4

The Man You Need to Meet Before Leaving This Study

- A. This man lives in the future.
- B. He has not been perfect. He has struggled. But again and again, he has stepped up to courageously followed God's Word. As a result ...
 - His life has changed for the better.
 - He has made a life-giving impact on others.
 - He has brought **glory** to God.

4

The Man You Need to Meet Before Leaving This Study

- A. This man lives in the future.
- B. He has not been perfect. He has struggled. But again and again, he has stepped up to courageously followed God's Word. As a result ...
 - His life has changed for the better.
 - He has made a life-giving impact on others.
 - He has brought glory to God.
- C. Who is this man? It could be **YOU!**



B

BETTERMAN