



Series: The Christian Man

Session 11

The Christian Man Recap: A Call to Action

2 *Corinthians* 5:17; *Romans* 12:2

NOTES:

The Big Idea: _____

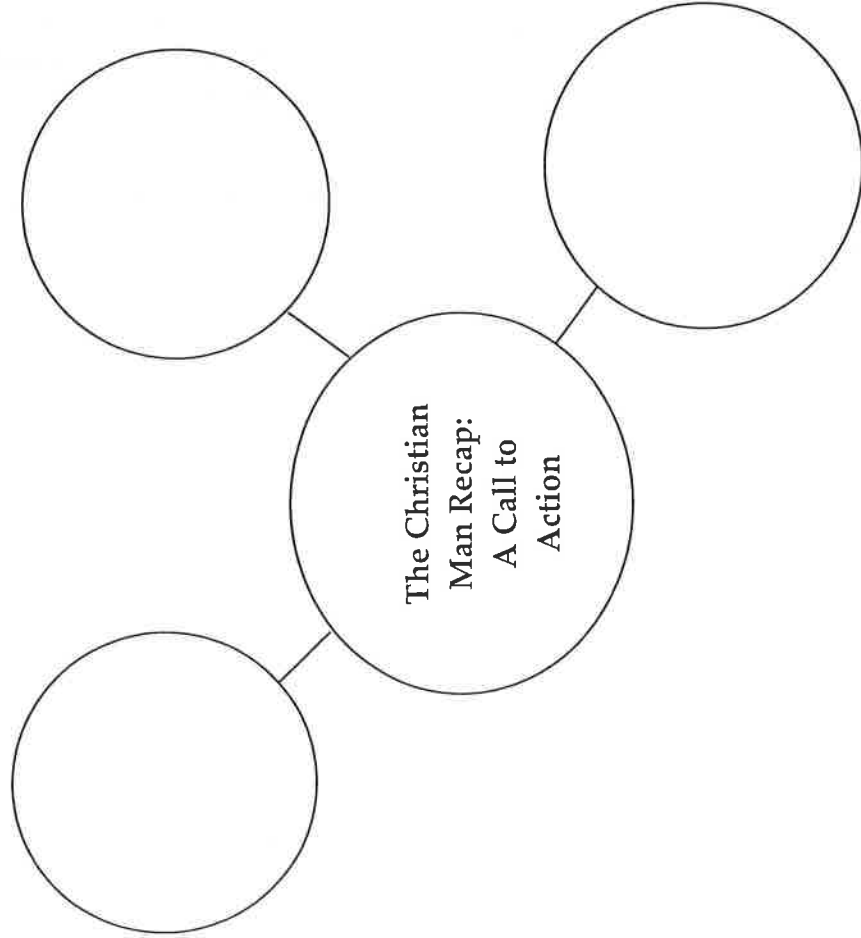


TABLE TALK:

1. Over the course of this series, which topics have impacted you the most? How?
2. Review the Big Ideas for each session. Discuss which Big Idea(s) you personally find the most helpful, and why.
3. Read through the Declaration of Christian Manhood. What phrases resonate the most with you from the Declaration. Is this a declaration you would live by?
4. What will you do as a result of this series? For instance: address one of the issues more deeply in your life, review the Declaration, seek a mentoring relationship.

Our mission is to help you grow as a disciple and disciple-maker – starting at home. To make that as easy as possible we've put together a complete overview of our services and resources at www.maninthemirror.org and learn 4 ways you can get more involved. We're always going to be stronger together. Email Pat at patrickmorley@maninthemirror.org or Brett at baclammer@maninthemirror.org.

<p>IDENTITY: Settling Who I Am and What My Life is About 2 Corinthians 5:17 When you seek your identity in Christ and his gospel, you will find a deep, lasting satisfaction so infectious that others will want it too.</p>	<p>FRIENDSHIPS: Finding and Keeping Godly Friends Proverbs 18:24 What's really going to help you long-term is to find a friend or two, or join a small group, & live life together with a few brothers with who you can process what comes your way.</p>
<p>LIFE BALANCE: How to Be Faithful with Everything Entrusted to Me 1 Corinthians 4:2 You have all the time you need to do everything God wants you to do.</p>	<p>WORK: How Should I Think About My Work? Ecclesiastes 2:24-25 There is no greater feeling than to believe, "This is what I'm supposed to be doing, right here, right now—even if it's hard.</p>
<p>GROWTH: Becoming a More Kingdom-Minded Man - Romans 12:2 A Bible, a small group, and serving someone else will solve 90% of your problems.</p>	<p>LUST: The Right Way to Deal with This Powerful Drive - Matthew 5:27-28 The practical solution to lust (& other sexual immorality) for most men is to get married and enjoy regular sex with their wife.</p>
<p>MARRIAGE: Finding a New Best Friend in My Wife - Proverbs 18:22 Most marriage problems would disappear if we would simply speak to our wives with the same kindness, courtesy, forethought, and respect with which we treat our coworkers.</p>	<p>CULTURE: The Role of a Christian Man in Our Culture - Jeremiah 29:7 God wants each of us to go find some unredeemed corner of culture and claim it for the glory of Christ.</p>
<p>CHILDREN: A Dad Who Really Makes a Difference - Proverbs 22:15 "Yes I love you, and no, you can't have your own way."</p>	<p>SHARING MY FAITH: Having Authentic Spiritual Conversations with My Friends - 2 Corinthians. 5:20 When you seek your identity in Christ and his gospel, you will find a deep, lasting satisfaction so infectious that others will want it too.</p>

My Declaration of Christian Manhood

Heavenly Father, I am tired of weak, unsatisfying faith. I am weary of leading a divided life. I want to be so fully "in Christ" that others want to catch what I have. As a "new creation," I long to know your love for me as a son, disciple, friend, servant, temple, vessel, and charge of the Holy Spirit. I want to experience and infectiously exhibit all the fruit of your Spirit, with all humility.

So here today, I take my stand. I repent of all my worldly and sinful ways and put my faith in Christ alone. I hereby declare that from this day forward, I will stop seeking the God, or gods, I have wanted and will start seeking the God who is. I pledge to lead a Bible-saturated life of devotion and study of God.

My desire is to renew my mind, to be a man after God's own heart, to live out of the overflow of a vibrant relationship with Jesus, and to fully follow Jesus Christ with my whole heart each and every day. I will make it my business to live in right relationship with God and in right relationship with all people, and to exercise my gifts to fulfill your calling on my life.

My true identity is "in Christ." I commit to live openly for the glory of God in all my ways. I openly confess that I can do none of this apart from your grace, Father, through Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, I pledge my allegiance this day to a life of Christ-centered manhood. If they cut me, I want to bleed Jesus.

Amen.