



Proverbs

Masculinity



1.



Genesis 1:26-28

Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

So God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them.

And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

We are created to: **Create** | **Cultivate** | **Rule Justly**





DISTORTING OUR HARDWIRING

Abusiveness
Abandonment
Avoidance

Proverbs



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PROVERBS and ABUSIVE MEN

Proverbs 1:18-19

These men lie in wait for their own blood; they set an ambush for their own lives. Such are the ways of everyone who is greedy for unjust gain; it takes away the life of its possessors.

Proverbs 3:29

Do not plan evil against your neighbor, who dwells trustingly beside you.

Proverbs 11:16-17

A gracious woman gets honor, a violent man gets riches; a man who is kind benefits himself, but a cruel man hurts himself.





PROVERBS and ABUSIVE MEN

Proverbs 14:16-17

One who is wise is cautious and turns away from evil, but a fool is reckless and careless. A man of quick temper acts foolishly, and a man of evil devices is hatred.

Proverbs 16:29

A man of violence entices his neighbor and leads him in a way that is not good.

Proverbs 28:15

Like a roaring lion or a charging bear is a wicked ruler over a poor people.

Proverbs 29:10

Bloodthirsty men hate one who is blameless and seek the life of the upright.





ORDS, MEN and BOYS

What do we learn by the words used?

1. **Boys** use their masculinity in a **decreative** way
2. Important to take young men and **nurture** them in a healthy direction.





PROVERBS and IRRESPONSIBLE MEN

Proverbs 3:27

Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to do it.

Proverbs 12:24

A prudent man conceals knowledge, but the heart of fools proclaims folly.

Proverbs 14:23

In all toil there is profit, but mere talk tends only to poverty.

Proverbs 23:20-21

Be not among drunkards or among gluttonous eaters of meat, for the drunkard and the glutton will come to poverty, and slumber will clothe them with rags.

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PROVERBS and IRRESPONSIBLE MEN

Proverbs 24:30-34

I passed by the field of the sluggard, by the vineyard of a man lacking sense, and behold, it was all overgrown with thorns; the ground was covered with nettles, and its stone wall was broken down. Then I saw and considered it; I looked and received instruction. A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest, and poverty will come upon you like a robber, and want like an armed man.

Proverbs 29:3

He who loves wisdom makes his father glad, but a companion of prostitutes squanders his wealth.

Proverbs 29:21

Whoever pampers his servant from childhood will in the end find him his heir.





PROVERBS and MEN WHO ABANDON

Proverbs 11:3

The integrity of the upright guides them, but the crookedness of the treacherous destroys them.

Proverbs 24:10

If you faint in the day of adversity, your strength is small.

Proverbs 27:8

Like a bird that strays from its nest is a man who strays from his home.

God made you to **Create, Cultivate** and **Rule**
We are either **Obeying, Abusing, Rejecting, or Abandoning**





CONCLUSION

1. Be a **STEWARD** of the Life God gave you
2. Stewardship should point to **HUMILITY**, which should point to the **GOSPEL**

