



## Introduction: The Call to Biblical Manhood

In a world where masculinity is under attack and spiritual leadership is often neglected, God is raising up Apostolic men-holy, Spirit-filled men who live by the Word, lead by example, and reflect the image of Christ in every area of their lives. Being a man of God is not about ego, dominance, or worldly strength-it is about servanthood, submission, and spiritual authority.

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### 1. Identity in Christ: A New Creation

- 2 Corinthians 5:17 (KJV): "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new."

The Apostolic man is not defined by his past, culture, or upbringing-he is defined by being in Christ.

His salvation experience includes:

- Repentance (Acts 2:38)
  - Water baptism in the name of Jesus Christ
  - Receiving the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in tongues (Acts 2:4)
  - A commitment to daily transformation through the Word and Spirit
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### 2. Headship and Humility: Submitted to Christ

- 1 Corinthians 11:3 (KJV): "But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ"

God calls men to lead-but not as dictators. Apostolic men lead by first being submitted to Christ.

A submitted man:

- Prays before he speaks
  - Seeks counsel from the Word and spiritual authorities
  - Walks humbly under divine authority
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### 3. Holiness: Inward and Outward

Inward Holiness

- Psalm 24:3-4 (KJV): "Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in his holy place? He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart"

Holiness begins in the heart. An Apostolic man must:

- Walk in integrity and honesty
- Guard his eyes and mind from lust, pride, and greed
- Be free from hatred, unforgiveness, and bitterness
- Pursue purity in thought and action

#### Outward Holiness

- Romans 12:1-2 (KJV): "Present your bodies a living sacrifice be not conformed to this world"

His body reflects God's ownership. He must:

- Dress modestly and masculinely
- Avoid worldly fashions that promote vanity
- Maintain self-control in habits (no drugs, pornography, immorality, alcohol)
- Honor God with his physical conduct and appearance

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#### 4. The Man of Prayer and the Word

- 1 Timothy 2:8 (KJV): "I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting."

Apostolic men are men of prayer, fasting, and the Word. They:

- Maintain a consistent personal prayer life
- Read and study the Bible regularly
- Intercede for their families and their church
- Lead in worship without fear of man

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#### 5. Leadership in the Home: Loving Husband and Father

- Ephesians 5:25 (KJV): "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church"

A Godly man leads his home by:

- Loving his wife with patience and sacrifice
- Teaching his children the fear and knowledge of the Lord
- Creating a spiritually safe, joyful, and disciplined home
- Praying with his family and leading by example
- 1 Timothy 3:4-5 (KJV): "One that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity"

Apostolic fathers must be:

- Present and engaged
- Strong yet tender
- Disciplined but not harsh
- Spirit-led in their fatherhood

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## 6. Faithfulness in the Church

- Hebrews 10:25 (KJV): "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together"

An Apostolic man is:

- Planted in the house of God
- Faithful to worship, teaching, giving, and serving
- Submitted to pastoral leadership
- Active in ministry (ushering, teaching, cleaning, altar worker, outreach, etc.)

His life says: "I'm dependable in the kingdom."

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## 7. Holy Conduct and Clean Speech

- Ephesians 4:29 (KJV): "Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth"

An Apostolic man guards his:

- Speech-No vulgarity, gossip, or dishonesty

- Temper-Quick to forgive, slow to anger
- Reputation-Above reproach in public and private

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## 8. Work Ethic and Provision

- 1 Timothy 5:8 (KJV): "But if any provide not for his own he hath denied the faith"

He is:

- A provider-not lazy
- Ethical and honest on the job
- Generous to the church and others
- Dependable and humble in work ethic

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## 9. Evangelism and Discipleship

- Matthew 28:19-20 (KJV): "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations"

The Apostolic man is:

- Unashamed of the Gospel
- Bold in witnessing
- Loving in approach
- Passionate about soul-winning

He brings others to the truth, lives as a daily testimony, and disciples younger men in the faith.

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## 10. Accountability and Brotherhood

- Proverbs 27:17 (KJV): "Iron sharpeneth iron"

He doesn't live in isolation but:

- Walks with other godly men
- Receives correction with humility
- Serves the body of Christ

- Builds up others and submits to mentorship

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## 11. Spiritual Authority and Submission to Pastoral Leadership

- Hebrews 13:17 (KJV): "Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you."

A true Apostolic man understands the importance of being under spiritual covering and authority in the local church. God has given us pastors as shepherds to lead, feed, and guard the flock.

An Apostolic man:

- Honors and supports his pastor
- Submits to correction and instruction
- Avoids rebellion and pride
- Prays for his spiritual leaders
- Seeks alignment with the vision of his local assembly

He does not try to lead without first learning to follow. He thrives under divine order and recognizes that spiritual protection comes through submission to pastoral authority.

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## Closing Word

The Apostolic man is not common. He is set apart. He walks differently, speaks differently, dresses differently, and lives wholly for the Lord.

- Micah 6:8 (KJV): "what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?"

This is not about perfection-it is about pursuit. Not about appearance-it is about anointing. Not just about being male-but about being God's man.