

Building Boys

Part 1

I. Boys: As God _____

A. God created them to reflect His _____.

B. God created them to _____, to take _____.

C. God created them to _____.

D. God created them to be _____ and _____.

II. Boys: As Satan _____

III. Boys: As God _____

God has created men with a desire to _____ for _____
and stand against _____ and _____.

IV. Boys: As Women _____

Women shape boys to be _____.

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In today's world, there is so much controversy on gender. It should not be so for God's people. I hope today's message solidified your understanding of God's heart for male and female.

Can you remember, without looking at your notes, the 4 points under Boys: As God Created?

We talked about men and women both being created in the image of God. Yet, they are not identical. From Genesis, name some differences in how they were created and then talk about Man's uniqueness.

Read Micah 6:8. According to this verse, what is the fundamental requirement for biblical manhood?

As you have influence on boys, think about these verses:

1 Thessalonians 4:3-5 calls men to control their appetites. How can you help your boy with this as he is growing up?

1 Corinthians 10:13 calls men to overcome temptations. How can you help your boy with this as he is growing up?

Mark 7:8-9 warns not to twist the Scripture. How can you help your boy with this? And Proverbs 14:12 teaches the danger of what "seems right" as opposed to what is right.

Teach them to follow God as Proverbs 1:7 teaches. Romans 6:12 and 1 Peter 1:14 teach we are not to obey/follow evil desires.

One of the things God calls a man to do is to protect his family. Sometimes this may mean physically. In Nehemiah 4:13-14, we see God calling men to fight to protect their wives and children. God never calls women to fight like this. From what you know of Scripture and from today's message, why is this?

Men are called to be the providers for their families. Of course this does not mean women do not/should not contribute income (as we most notably see from Proverbs 31) and of course we know there are exceptions (as in cases of dire circumstances) BUT it is the men whom God specifically singles out to provide for their families (see 1 Timothy 5:8). All throughout the Bible, God calls men to provide and for women to care for the home. As the two work in harmony together, this provides such stability for the children. How can you help boys understand this? How can you build a work ethic in your boy?

For men, the role of leader in the home and the church was established in Creation as we have seen today. God established His order before sin entered the world. However, it is so easy for us to reject God's order, especially in the day in which we live when, even in our "evangelical" churches, it is rejected. These principles from today's message are SO IMPORTANT. Search the Scriptures for yourself and teach these things to your boy. God gives him to YOU first. You have tremendous influence. Build his manhood from the womb. Respect his boyish nature. Teach him by your example as you respect men in their God-given masculinity. Be glad men are different from women. A society thrives when men are men and display godliness. You are a part of making this happen.

