Main Man Idea: Men take responsibility and boys make excuses.

Arrogant:
2) Insecure Ian – King Saul: I Samuel 18:8
3) Spiritual Sid – Pharisees: Matthew 23:5

“It is a lot harder to do something than complain about those who are doing something.”
– Mark Driscoll (Of Marriage & Men)

Afraid:
4) Passive Pete – Adam: Genesis 3:6
5) Emotionally Absent Eli – Eli the priest: I Samuel 2:29
6) Cowardly Charlie – All Cowards: Revelation 21:8

Imperatives on Becoming a Man:
• Love your wife – 5:25

How do I love her? 5:25
• Give up your right to be “happy” – 5:25
• Radically sacrifice for her – 5:25
• Treat her as a valuable treasure – 5:25
• Take responsibility in providing for her – 5:26

How do I take responsibility in providing for her? 5:26-33
• Pray with her – 5:26
• Pray for her – 5:26
• Read & study the Bible together – 5:26
• View her as a daughter of God – 5:27
• Care for her physically – 5:28-30, I Peter 3:7
• Care for her emotionally – 5:28-30, I Peter 3:7
• Be Tender with her – 5:28-30, I Peter 3:7
• Get weaned off your Mom & Dad – 5:31
• Embrace the Gospel – 5:32-33

I Peter 3:7 “Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing honor to the woman as the weaker vessel, since they are heirs with you of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered” (ESV).

I Corinthians 13:11 “When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways” (ESV).