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MEN: IT'S TIME TO STEP-UP AND MAN-UP!



Dennis Rainey challenges men to, "Do Your Duty!" With FamilyLife's new 10-week video series, men unpack what biblical manhood looks like, and then are challenged to Step-Up and live out their responsibilities as sons, fathers, husbands.



The last few months we have been receiving feedback from men that have participated in Stepping Up. Here are just a few of the comments:

"For years I have become more and more lazy with God and with helping my wife. For example, we have an 8 month old. In that time I had washed bottles once and bathed her once. This list could go on and on. Stepping Up was the "in the face" man-up message I needed to hear. Just working hard at work and checking out at home is not acceptable. Since going through Stepping Up, I have started daily quiet times again, committed to not watch lustful shows and movies, speak to my wife a lot more, and seek her thoughts on where I can help at home."

"God used this to create in me a whole new image of what it means to be a godly man. I am taking initiative and responsibility like never before, and prior to this I never experienced such a burning desire to serve my wife and others around me. I now feel like I really know what God expects of me, and therefore the bar has been set and I am out to strive for it every day."

"I think this is a great topic and something all men need to know. We live in a society where anything goes and everything is accepted and *we need to start acting like real men again*."

May God use this to start a revival across our nation, to strengthen marriages and families, and to draw people closer to Him!



Praises and Prayers

Praise: for the thousands of men inspired to Step Up, and become a godly and courageous man!

<u>Pray</u>: that God will use this new Stepping Up outreach to start a revival across the nation, turning men back to the Lord, equipping them to love and lead their families.

Pray: for Nathan as he travels to Indianapolis April 18-22. He will be serving as the leader of the tech team for the Weekend to Remember. Pray for all the technology to work properly, and that the couples attending will leave focused on living out the Biblical plan for marriage.

<u>Pray</u>: for the Home-Builder Movement. Pray that God will raise up millions of HomeBuilders across the country. Pray to see if YOU are one of them.



Do you see marriages in trouble around you? Do you have a passion to help strengthen couples but you don't know how or you feel unequipped?

We want to help equip YOU to Become a HomeBuilder!

There are so many people that feel hopeless in their marriage. How many times have you heard these comments?

- "My husband checks out when he gets home, he won't help me with the kids."
- "My wife is so hard to please, I can't ever do anything right."
- "My husband works so much, I don't feel important to him anymore."
- "My wife nags me about everything, I don't even want to go home."
- "My husband is like another child I have to take care of."
- "My wife never initiates sex, having kids totally killed our sex life."
- "This is just too hard, what if I married the wrong one?"

These comments and attitudes are like poison in a marriage. But so many of them are found in marriages today. How would you like to help turn these attitudes around, how would you like to present these couples with a more godly perspective?

Being a HomeBuilder is just that, someone that can point people to the Biblical Blueprint for marriage. Whether it is just learning how to respond when you hear these comments or if you would like to start a marriage ministry at your church, we would love to equip you to do whatever God is calling you to do.



Here are a few ideas...



Gather a group of men and launch the 10-week video series Stepping Up. Host it in a side room at a local restaurant.



Kick off the summer by hosting a romantic 1 1/2 day event just for couples. Make it an event for 25 couples, or take 2 couples and rent a lake house for the weekend.



Invite a few couples to join you at the next Weekend to Remember Marriage Getaway

Listen to FamilyLife Today online or with the iPhone App. If a particular show touches your heart, email the link to your friends or post it on Facebook.



For more information on any of these outreaches, visit: **www.familylife.com**

Still not sure what you can do? CALL US! We would love to help you take your passion and turn it into a ministry for the Lord, even if it is not using a FamilyLife tool. 636-358-4213