

## Broken Man

A Godly man **MUST BE Christ-led** - 1 Cor 11:3 Now I want you to realize that the head of EVERY MAN is Christ...

➤ **Four main adjustments must be made by all males in order to allow Christ to lead.**

**Pride → Humility**

**Pride destroys a man** - Prov 29:23 A man's **pride** brings him low, but a man of **lowly spirit** gains honor.

**The clear quality that God looks for in men** - Ps 51:17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

**Difference between humility and pride** - Luke 18:10-14 - 10 "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. 11 The Pharisee stood up and prayed about himself: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men — robbers, evildoers, adulterers — or even like this tax collector. 12 I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.' 13 "But **the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.'** 14 "I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For everyone who exalts himself WILL BE humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

**Humility is a choice that must be made** - James 4:10 **Humble yourselves** before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

**Self-strength → True strength**

**While others lean on other forms of Strengths, Godly men trust in God** - Ps 20:7 Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the Lord our God.

**God made clear that the less human strength is how to access True strength** - 2 Cor 12:9-10 - 9 But he said to me, "**My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.**" Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. 10 That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For **when I am weak, then I am strong.**

**Our overall strength goal is to TOTALLY Trust in God** - 2 Cor 1:8-10 - 8 We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about the hardships we suffered in the province of Asia. We were under great pressure, far beyond our ability to endure, so that we despaired even of life. 9 Indeed, in our hearts we felt the sentence of death. But **this happened that we might not rely on ourselves but on God**, who raises the dead.

**Independence → God Dependence**

**Men must get to the point to TRUST GOD ONLY!**

Prov 28:26 He who trusts in himself is a fool, but he who walks in wisdom is kept safe.

Jer 17:5 This is what the Lord says: "**Cursed is the one who trusts in man, who depends on flesh for his strength and whose heart turns away from the Lord.**"

**Know where your success comes from** - Ps 44:6-7 - 6 I do not trust in my bow, my sword does not bring me victory; 7 but YOU give us victory over our enemies, **YOU** put our adversaries to shame.

**Must be Completely "God Dependent" in everything** - Prov 3:5-8 - 5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean NOT on your own understanding; 6 in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight. 7 Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and shun evil. 8 This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones.

**Multi-purpose → God purposed**

**The path of everything in life is for God's purpose** - Rom 8:28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to HIS PURPOSE.

**Everything must be done to Glorify God in Jesus name, not to glorify self**

1 Cor 10:31 So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, **DO IT ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD.**

Col 3:17 And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, **DO IT ALL IN THE NAME OF THE LORD JESUS**, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

**The path to a Christ led man is:**

**selflessness** - Phil 2:3-4 - 3 **Do nothing** out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. 4 Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.

**Self-control** - Titus 2:6 Similarly, encourage the young men to be self-controlled.

**The Godly man keeps his mind set on God ONLY** - Rom 8:5-8 - 5 Those who live according to the sinful nature have their minds set on what that nature desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. 6 **The mind of sinful man is death, but the mind controlled by the Spirit is life and peace;** 7 the **sinful mind is hostile to God.** It does not submit to God's law, **nor can it do so.** 8 **Those controlled by the sinful nature cannot please God.**