

# HOMECELL NOTES

SERMON TITLE **PS AT BOSHOFF – A MAN FULL OF FAITH AND THE HOLY SPIRIT**

DATE **21 JUNE 2017**

**WELCOME** Allow members to connect with each other before you start with Praise and Worship.

**WORSHIP** Sing 1x praise and 1x worship song

## WORD

(The first two questions are directed to the ladies in the homecell).

**QUESTION 1:** How would you define a “real” man? What makes a man, a man?

**QUESTION 2:** What are some of the spiritual attributes you desire to see in a man?

It’s a hard time today to be a boy or a man, and the facts are something that should give us all pause. Today, boys are more likely to be expelled or kicked out of school than girls. Young men are only 43 percent of enrollees in tertiary institutions. Boys are more likely to engage in violent crime, binge drinking, and drugs. Male campus sexual assault is a common place, and mass shootings involving boys and men have become an epidemic. Jails are packed to the rafters with men. Men commit 79 percent of all suicides.

### **IT IS OBVIOUS THAT OUR FAMILIES, COMMUNITIES AND COUNTRY NEED STRONG MEN**

A survey carried out last year asked men what it means to be a man in the 21st century, and more than half think that society tries to feminize them, turning them into waxed and “carefully arranged hair-do” metrosexuals, and 52% say that men have to live according to women’s rules.

**QUESTION 3:** In your opinion, why is it necessary to have strong men in our communities?

Ask members in the group to read the following scriptures: **Acts 6:1-6; Acts 11:19-24**

**QUESTION 4:** According to these two passages, which two attributes did the leaders in the early church look for in a “strong” man?

Answer: Men who were:

- full of faith
- full of the Holy Spirit

### **Acts 6:5 (AMPLIFIED BIBLE)**

The suggestion pleased the whole congregation; and they selected Stephen, a man full of faith [in Christ Jesus], and [filled with and led by] the Holy Spirit...

Ask a member in the group to read **Hebrews 11:8-12**

**QUESTION 5:** It is evident that Abraham was a man of faith. What does it mean to be a man of faith in this modern era we are living in?

Answer: Being a man of faith is nothing more than putting God and His Word at the centre of your life and obeying Him.

**YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD SHOULD BE YOUR TOP PRIORITY AND SHOULD NEVER BECOME A BY-THE-WAY!!**

- Protecting and feeding your faith should be a top priority in your life!
- Bringing your family to church should be your first responsibility of the week!

Ask a member in the group to read **2 Samuel 6:11-15; 20-23**

**QUESTION 6:** David – although an Old Testament leader – was a man full of the Holy Spirit. From the scripture we just read, what are some of the characteristics from David’s life that defined him as a man “full of the Spirit?”

Answer:

- David loved the presence of God (the ark was symbolic of God’s presence)
- David had an open hand and always offered his best unto God
- David did not allow public opinion to dictate his response to God

**ALTHOUGH DAVID WAS A MIGHTY WARRIOR, HE ALWAYS REMAINED A WORSHIPPER AT HEART**

**WORKS**

**OUR MANDATE AS A CHURCH: “WIN THE LOST AT ANY COST”**

On p27 in the Homecell Leader’s Guide we make the following statement: “75-79% of homecells grow because of a friend inviting a friend.” To practically implement this in your homecell, a TARGET LIST is of vital importance!

- Ensure you have a target list in place for your homecell
- Pray tonight for every person on the target list by name - calling them into the Kingdom of God
- Challenge each member to invite their “target person” to church this coming Sunday

