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How to Use the Becoming a Godly Man Training

For anyone starting or coaching a group: chaplains, volunteers, mentors, and men leading groups inside.

Becoming a Godly Man helps men become sons of the Father, brothers, workers, husbands, fathers, and finally spiritual fathers to others. There are two documents. **The Scripture Sets are for the men. The Deep Dive is for the leader.**

What's in the Folder

Document	Who uses it	What it's for
Scripture Sets	Every man in the group	The weekly Discovery Bible Study (DBS). The tables list every passage. The study helps give a key verse, questions, and one practice to do alone and one with others for each set. A man can start a group with only this document.
Deep Dive	The leader, and the men he is training to lead	Weekly check-in questions, the training path, and tools for specific situations: the father wound, fathering from inside, the mother of his children, preparing for release, and mentoring. Pull from it as needed. Don't teach it straight through.
Master workbook	You	Every passage in one place (Godly Man tab). Use the Notes column to track where each man or group is.

The Big Idea

Godly manhood isn't self-improvement. It starts with what God has done and ends in love (set MAN0). Teach the men this chain and have them memorize it:

> **Grace gives the promises.** *(2 Peter 1:3-4; Titus 2:11)*
> **Hope looks ahead to them.** *(Colossians 1:5; Titus 2:13)*
> **Faith takes hold of them.** *(2 Peter 1:5; Romans 5:1-2)*
> **Virtue practices them, with every effort.** *(2 Peter 1:5-7; Titus 2:12)*
> **Love is where it all leads.** *(1 Corinthians 13:13; 1 Timothy 1:5)*

Starting a Group in Five Steps

1. **Gather two to five men** who want to grow. Give each man the first pages of the Scripture Sets (the tables).
2. **Begin with MAN0**, one passage a week. It lays the foundation for every other set.
3. **Meet weekly in three parts** (about 45–60 minutes):

Part	What happens	Where to find it
Look Back	How are you really? Did you obey what you said last week? Who did you share with? Ask a few check-in questions.	Check-in questions: Deep Dive, Part 4
Look Up	Read the passage aloud. Have someone retell it in his own words. Discuss with the set's questions.	Discover questions: Scripture Sets, Level 2
Look Forward	What will I obey? Who will I share this with? Choose one practice alone and one with others. Pray for each other by name.	Practices: Scripture Sets, Level 2

4. **Go in order, or go where the need is.** After MAN0, the sets follow the way a man grows. Or use the chart below to choose the set a man needs most.
5. **Hand it off early.** After a few weeks, let a group member lead Look Up. When a man has led well, help him start his own group (2 Timothy 2:2).

Which Set When?

If a man is…	Start with
New, or needs the foundation	MAN0 How a Man Grows; MAN2 What Is a Godly Man?
Carrying a father wound, or never had a father	MAN1 The Father Who Heals (with Deep Dive, Part 2)
Young in the faith and needs a father's wisdom	MAN3 Proverbs for Sons; MAN6 The Godly Son
Struggling to meet with God alone	MAN4 The Secret Place
Struggling with temper, lust, or appetites	MAN5 Self-Control (also the Strength Under Control and Dangerous Desires sets)
Isolated, or rolling with the wrong crew	MAN7 Friend and Brother
Working a job inside, or preparing for one outside	MAN8 Worker and Coworker
Dating or hoping to marry	MAN9 Pursuing Marriage
Married	MAN10 The Godly Husband
A father	MAN11 The Godly Father; MAN12 Fathering from Inside (with Deep Dive, Part 5)
Mature and ready to invest in others	MAN13 Spiritual Father and Elder (with Deep Dive, Part 7)

Which Deep Dive Tool When?

When…	Use
Every week	Weekly Check-In Questions (Part 4), during Look Back
You're deciding a man's next step	The Training Path (Part 4): find his stage and the sets and practices that fit
A father wound comes up	Healing the Father Wound, seven steps (Part 2)
A man wants to reach his children	The five-part letter and other fathering tools (Part 5)
There's conflict with his children's mother	Making Things Right with the Mother of Your Children (Part 5)
Release is coming, ideally 90 days or more ahead	Preparing for Release (Part 6)
A man is ready to mentor	Older Men Mentoring Younger Men (Part 7)
You're training a new leader	Walk him through Part 1 (why it works) and Part 7 (how to multiply)

Keep It Simple and Reproducible

- **Obedience over information.** Measure growth by what men obey and share, not by how much they know.
- **The Scripture Sets are enough to start.** If a new leader can't run a group without the Deep Dive, simplify.
- **Every man is a future leader.** Expect each man to pass on what he learns to someone else.
- **Lean on the Spirit.** Teach S.W.A.P. (Surrender, Wait in prayer, Avoid even a hint of sin, follow the Prompting). God grows the fruit (Galatians 5:22-25).
- **Follow facility rules** and any court orders, especially when contacting family.

> *"You have heard me teach things that have been confirmed by many reliable witnesses. Now teach these truths to other trustworthy people who will be able to pass them on to others."*
> **2 Timothy 2:2 (NLT)**

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