

Set Apart – Week 2 Core Capacities

Main Idea: Core Capacities provide a built-in ability to reflect characteristics of God

- Have them put on us to use them to reflect His character
- Distinct Masculine and Feminine Energy to bring blessing to the world

Principles:

1. Men and women were created differently but with equal value.

- When we operate the way God has created us, we reflect his character and bring blessing to the world.
- When we operate against the way God has created us, we do not reflect his character and bring destruction
- Men and women have distinct ways they reflect the image of God.

2. Women's core capacities are to Invite – Nurture – Partner

- Invite: to welcome others
- Nurture: bring life and strength to someone in need
- Partner: helping someone accomplish a goal

3. Men's core capacities are to Pursue – Protect – Provide

- Pursue: move towards someone or something
- Protect: shield from harm
- Provide: Handle your deal (responsibility)

4. The ability to do these things has nothing to do with personality or talent.

- God has given every man and woman these unique capacities to reflect his character to the world.
- Being in a relationship with Jesus brings stability and direction to how we live out the core capacities.



Discussion Questions:

• When we live according to God's design for our gender, we reflect his character to the world. In what ways do you see God's character in godly masculinity and femininity? In what ways do you see it corrupted?

<u>Girls:</u>

- What does it mean to be **inviting**? How do you see God do this? How do you misuse this to benefit yourself?
 - What is one practical way you can be inviting *this week*? (Follow up next week)
- What does it mean to be **nurturing**? How do you see God do this? How do you misuse this to benefit yourself?
 - What is one practical way you can be nurturing this week? (Follow up next week)
- What does it mean to **partner** with someone? How do you see God do this? How do you misuse this to benefit yourself?
 - What is one practical way you partner with someone *this week?* (Follow up next week)
- How does being in a relationship with Jesus help you live out the core capacities?

Guys:

- What does it mean to pursue? How do you see God do this? How do you
 misuse this to benefit yourself?
 - What is one practical way you can pursue someone or something *this* week? (Follow up next week)
- What does it mean to protect? How do you see God do this? How do you misuse this to benefit yourself?
 - What is one practical way you can be a protector *this week*? (Follow up next week)
- What does it mean to **provide**? How do you see God do this? How do you misuse this to benefit yourself?
 - What is one practical way you can provide this week? (Follow up next week)
- How does being in a relationship with Jesus help you live out the core capacities?