# CHRISTIAN MANHOOD "ACT LIKE MEN"

BIBLICAL MASCULINITY ILLUSTRATED IN THE LIVES OF...
GEN. ROBERT E. LEE
GEN. THOMAS J. "STONEWALL" JACKSON
GEN. JOSHUA LAWRENCE CHAMBERLAIN

# ACT LIKE MEN... Christian Manhood

Circumstances do not dictate your character, they reveal it & become the opportunity to develop, refine & grow it.

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We know not of the future and cannot plan for it much. But we can hold our spirits and our bodies so pure and high, we may cherish such thoughts and such ideals, and dream such dreams of lofty purpose, that we can determine and know what manner of men we will be whenever and wherever the hour strikes, that call to noble action... no man becomes suddenly something different from his habit and cherished thought.

Maj. Gen. Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain

#### THE MAKING OF A CHRISTIAN MAN "TWO VIRTUES"

**VIRTUE #1** 

The Christian Man Is Strong and Courageous to Embrace the RESPONSIBILITIES of life VIRTUE #2

The Christian Man Is Sensitive and Compassionate to Engage in the RELATIONSHIPS of Life

"A GENTLEMAN"

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"My dear General, you have the soul of a lion and the heart of a woman."

General Horatio Sickel to General Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain

**#1: "DEPENDABILITY"** 

THE CHARACTER TRAIT OF "DEPENDABILITY" IS
SHOWN BY FAITHFUL ATTENDANCE TO THE
RESPONSIBILITIES OF LIFE.

"...Walk In A Manner Worthy Of The Calling With Which You Have Been Called..." Eph. 4:1

As a general rule you should not force young men to do their duty but let them do it voluntarily and therefore let them develop their character.

Obedience to lawful authority is the foundation of manly character.

The duties exacted of us by civilization and Christianity are no less obligatory in the country of our enemy than in our own

General R. E. Lee

# THE MAKING OF A GENTLEMAN "FIVE TRAITS" #2: "INTEGRITY"

THE CHARACTER TRAIT OF

"INTEGRITY" IS EXHIBITED WITH A

LIFESTYLE THAT IS MARKED BY

HONESTY IN WORD AND DEED.

"...But Speaking The Truth In Love..." Eph. 4:15

Misfortune nobly borne becomes good fortune.... R. E. Lee

Never take counsel from your fears...

T. J. Jackson

Never do a wrong thing to make or keep a friend, such a friend is bought with to dear of a sacrifice.... R. E. Lee

#3: "CIVILITY"

THE CHARACTER TRAIT OF "CIVILITY" IS DEMONSTRATED
BY TREATING OTHERS WITH RESPECT & DIGNITY IN THE
DAILY AFFAIRS OF LIFE.

"Let No Unwholesome Word Proceed From Your Mouth, But Only Such A Word That Is Good For Edification, According To The Need Of The Moment, That It May Give Grace To Those Who Hear." Eph. 4:29

No people could live in the atmosphere of Robert E. Lee and Thomas Jackson and not be the best... Booker T. Washington

Avoid triumphing over an antagonist... T.J. Jackson

#4: "MORAL PURITY"

THE CHARACTER TRAIT OF "MORAL PURITY" IS
EVIDENCED BY A PURSUIT OF SEXUAL CHASTITY
AND MARITAL FAITHFULNESS.

"They Have Given Themselves Over to Sensuality for the Practice of Every Kind of Impurity With Greediness.

But You Did Not Learn Christ in This Way." Eph.4:19-

He was a perfect gentlemen to all in every respect.

Col. Arthur Freemantle.

#5: "HUMILITY"

THE CHARACTER TRAIT OF "HUMILITY" IS

MANIFESTED BY SELF DENIAL WHILE SEEKING

TO BE A SERVANT OF GOD AND OTHERS.

"With all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love." Eph. 4:2

I am nothing more than a poor sinner saved by the grace of God and in desperate need of your continual prayers... R. E. Lee

Unaffected modesty was imprinted upon his countenance and every trait of his manners. No man ever lived who was further removed from egotism...

Dr. R. L. Dabney concerning T. J. Jackson

#### THE ONE ESSENTIAL DOCTRINE "DIVINE PROVIDENCE"

Divine Providence is the Scriptural truth revealing God's present work of governing and preserving all of His creation by His infinite power, love and wisdom for His own glory & the assured ultimate good of His people." ...God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God and who are called according to His purpose. Rom. 8:28

#### THE ONE ESSENTIAL DOCTRINE "DIVINE PROVIDENCE"

Man proposes but God disposes and with that we should be fully satisfied... R. E. Lee

I haven't a particle of fanaticism in me. But I plead guilty to a sort of fatalism. I believe in a destiny- one, I mean divinely appointed and to which we are carried forward by a perfect trust in God. I do this and I believe in it. I have laid plans in my day and good ones I thought. But they never succeeded. Something else, better did and I could see it as plain as day that God had done it and for my good....

There is no promise of life in peace and no decree of death in war. And I am so confident of the sincerity of my motives that I can trust my own life and the welfare of my family in the hands of Providence.... Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain