



THE FIVE QUALITIES OF A

RIGHTEOUS

MAN

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## Introduction

In a generation where biblical masculinity is under attack, God is still raising up righteous men—men of integrity, courage, compassion, wisdom, and unwavering faith.

This message, *The Five Qualities of a Righteous Man*, is a call for men to rise up according to God's standard. It is not merely about outward appearance or human strength, but about becoming the kind of man who honors God in every area of life.

The Bible says:

**“The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord, and He delights in his way.”**

Psalm 37:23. A righteous man is not perfect, but he is surrendered. A righteous man walks by faith. A righteous man allows his life to be shaped by the Word of God and the Spirit of God.

Throughout this book, we will explore five essential qualities that define a righteous man according to Scripture:

1. Integrity
2. Fear of the Lord
3. Compassion
4. Guarded Speech
5. Trust in the Lord

These qualities build strong families, strong churches, strong leaders, and strong nations.

May this book challenge, strengthen, and inspire men to become mighty men of God in this generation.

## The Foundation of Righteousness

My message today is: **The Five Qualities of a Righteous Man.**

This is a standard that God sets. How many of you are excited to hear about the five qualities of a righteous man? You know, five is the number of grace.

One thing we need to understand is that there are two levels to righteousness. There is righteousness that comes by faith, which is God's gift, and then there are the fruits of righteousness. So how is a righteous man to live?

The Bible says, **“The righteous shall live by faith.”** So, a righteous man is going to live by faith. Let's go to our foundational scripture in Psalm 37:23: “The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord, and He delights in his way.” We need to let our steps be ordered by the Lord. Amen.

# 1

## A Righteous Man Walks In Integrity

The first quality of a righteous man is integrity. Proverbs 20:7 says, **“The righteous man walks in his integrity; His children are blessed after him.”** Integrity is doing what is right even when no one is watching. The word integrity is related to the word integer, meaning something whole and undivided. In the same way, a righteous man has a heart that is completely surrendered to God and not divided between God and the world.

A man of integrity remains consistent in both public and private life. He does not live a double life. His character remains constant whether people are watching him or not. This is why the enemy attacks men so aggressively. The devil understands that if he can destroy the integrity of a man, he can impact the family, the children, and even society itself. God is calling men to rise up again as mighty men of God and men of valor.

Too many people allow their hearts to be pulled away by money, careers, distractions, hobbies, lust, and worldly pursuits. But a righteous man gives his heart completely to the Lord. That wholehearted surrender is what produces true integrity.

## 2

### A Righteous Man Fears the Lord

The second characteristic of a righteous man is that a righteous man fears the Lord.

Proverbs 14:2 says: **“He who walks in his uprightness fears the Lord.”** The word uprightness is also righteousness. So, he who walks in righteousness fears the Lord, but he who is perverse in his ways despises Him.

A lot of times people say, “Well, I love God,” but your actions will actually show whether you love Him or not. People say, “I love Jesus,” and wear a T-shirt that says, “I Heart Jesus.” But Jesus said:

“If you love Me, you will obey My commandments.” You will commit yourself to living according to His Word.

The fear of God is the beginning of wisdom and knowledge. That’s why many men have become fools, because a fool says in his heart there is no God. They may give God lip service, but the way they live shows otherwise.

Again, there is integrity, and then there is the fear of God. That means having a healthy fear for the things of God—respect and reverence for the things of God. Ultimately, it also means fearing God because we will all stand before Him. The fear of the Lord brings wisdom, humility, and obedience.

A righteous man aligns his life with God's will. A man who fears the Lord is committed to the perfect will of God. His number one prayer is: "God, not my will, but Your will be done." That is the prayer of consecration on a daily basis.

A man who is continually and consciously seeking God's face, consecrating his life, his ways, his body, his soul, his spirit, his gifts, his talents, his time. Everything to the Lord. All or nothing. There's no in-between.

### 3

## A Righteous Man Is Compassionate

The third characteristic of a righteous man is compassion. Psalm 112:4 says, **“Unto the upright there arises light in the darkness; He is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.”** A righteous man is not simply tough on the outside; he also has a soft heart before God and toward people. The world often portrays masculinity as being emotionless, cold, and distant, but biblical manhood reflects both strength and compassion.

Compassion is love in action. Jesus demonstrated this perfectly after the death of John the Baptist. Even while grieving personally, Jesus looked upon the multitudes with compassion because they were like sheep without a shepherd. Instead of withdrawing into isolation, He ministered to the people and healed the sick. That is the heart of a righteous man.

Many men have a tendency to withdraw into isolation during difficult seasons, but nothing good grows in isolation. Rather than retreating, a righteous man allows the love and power of God to flow through him. He shows mercy, kindness, and care toward those who are hurting and in need.

We desperately need kind men in this generation. Fathers should tell their wives and children they love them. Families should see men worship openly, pray passionately, and allow the love of God to touch their hearts deeply. Real strength is not emotional hardness; true strength is surrendering fully to the love and presence of God.

## 4

### A Righteous Man Guards His Speech

The fourth characteristic of a righteous man is that he guards his speech. Proverbs 10:11 says, **“The mouth of the righteous is a well of life, but violence covers the mouth of the wicked.”** The words that come out of a man’s mouth make a tremendous difference.

People often say, “Sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me,” but many of the deepest wounds people carry were created by words. Physical bruises may heal, but the internal wounds caused by harsh, negative, or destructive speech can remain for years. That is why Jesus came to heal the brokenhearted.

The Bible teaches that death and life are in the power of the tongue. A righteous man speaks life. He speaks faith, encouragement, wisdom, hope, and the Word of God. His words build people up instead of tearing them down. God is looking for builders in this generation—men who build families, churches, ministries, businesses, and nations.

Far too many men have become destructive with their words, but a righteous man understands the power of speech and chooses to use his mouth for righteousness. He avoids gossip, lying, negativity, slander, and destructive talk. His mouth becomes a source of faith and encouragement. He speaks words that strengthen others and glorify God.

God is calling men to rise up again and lead. When men disappear spiritually, families and society suffer because of it. We need men who will speak life over their homes, their children, their churches, and their future.

## 5

### A Righteous Man Trusts In the Lord

The fifth characteristic of a righteous man is that he trusts in the Lord. Proverbs 3:5–6 says, **“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.”** A righteous man trusts God completely and does not depend solely on his own logic, reasoning, or understanding.

Men naturally tend to analyze, calculate, and try to fix everything through their own strength. But when it comes to the things of the Spirit, a righteous man learns to surrender his understanding to God and place his confidence in the faithfulness of the Lord.

Trusting in God means believing that He will provide, strengthen, guide, and make a way even when circumstances seem impossible. When strength runs out, a righteous man seeks the Lord. When wisdom runs out, he seeks the Lord. When love runs dry, he seeks the Lord again.

God renews the strength of those who trust Him. A righteous man learns to live not by might, nor by power, but by the Spirit of God and by His grace. The greatest strength a man can possess is complete surrender and dependence upon the Lord.

## 6

### The Goal of a Righteous Man

A righteous man is not flawless or perfect, but he is faithful. He walks in integrity, fears the Lord, shows compassion, guards his speech, and trusts fully in God. This should become the goal of every man—to leave behind a legacy of faith and honor God in every area of life.

James 5:16 says, **“The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.”** The Amplified Bible says it releases tremendous power. Elijah prayed and the rain stopped for three and a half years. Then he prayed again and the rain returned. The prayer of a righteous man carries power and effectiveness.

This is why integrity matters. This is why holiness matters. This is why consecration matters. God is looking for men whose prayers can move mountains, men who will stand in the gap for their families and their generation.

We need mountain-moving men again—men of prayer, men of conviction, men of honor, and men who fear the Lord.

## **Bonus for Single Ladies**

Single ladies always want to know the bonus point. Watch how a man responds to the move of the Holy Ghost. You can learn a lot about a man by how he responds to the presence of God and the Word of God. Is he just giving God lip service, or is he truly a God-fearing man who responds to the anointing and allows the Holy Ghost to work in him? Bring him to revival. Put him on the front row. See how he responds.

## Prayer Over the Men

“Lift your hands before the Lord. Mighty men of God. Mighty men of valor. Mighty righteous men. I charge you today to walk in integrity. I charge you today to fear the Lord. I charge you today to be compassionate. I charge you today to guard your speech. And I charge you today to trust in the Lord.

Father, we thank You for these men. May they carry the heart of our Heavenly Father, being men of integrity, righteousness, and honor. Strengthen them with might in their inner being by the Holy Spirit.

As we honor these men committed to serving God, raise up many more. Your Word says the older men should teach the younger men. Give them spiritual sons and daughters to raise up.

Anoint their hands. Anoint their feet. Strengthen them. Bless them, may there be a special anointing upon their lives. Order their steps. Prosper them so they may become a blessing to generations.

Anoint the work of their hands. Give them divine wisdom. Burn out everything that would hold them back. Burn out religion and tradition. Burn into them a holy fear of God and a holy fire of the anointing.

Raise them up to be mighty men in this hour—men who will rise to the challenge, men who will lead, men who will fight for their families, men who will stand in the gap and intercede.

Use them, bless them, and strengthen them thank you, Lord, for these men. May they leave renewed, strengthened, blessed, and encouraged. Thank You, Holy Spirit, that the words spoken over their lives will continue to work deeply in their hearts.

We call them great men—great men of valor, great men of example, and great men of integrity.

In Jesus' mighty name, Amen.”

## **The River Church West Palm Beach**

The Lord sent us to West Palm Beach in April 2017 to establish a base for revival and to reach the nations and the harvest of souls. We are equippers and mobilizers, passionate about empowering believers to reach their full potential in Christ. River WPB is a place that contends for the move of the Spirit of God. We believe in being a genuine Book of Acts Church.

We are both from Sunni Muslim backgrounds and became the first born-again Christians in our respective families. After receiving a baptism of fire and an apostolic calling, we launched out to the nations. Over 30 years of full-time ministry, we have established many churches, Bible schools, and a television ministry, and have carried revival to 25 nations.

The Lord said, “Go to America! Get ready for a Great Awakening! Get My people ready for the Final Days! Mobilize many! Equip and cover those I have called into unique and diverse ministries.”

We invite you to be a part of what God wants to do in Palm Beach County and beyond.

We love you and pray God’s richest blessings upon your life.

Love and Blessings,  
Corey & Rose Erman

## River School of Ministry

The River School of Ministry is our Accredited Bible College. RSM exists to raise up men and women who are carriers of the Word and the Anointing, equipped not just with head knowledge, but with the fire and power of God to fulfill the call of ministry. In this critical hour, the Church needs believers who are full of the Spirit, able to flow with the Holy Ghost, and carry revival wherever they go.

RSM is a special training program designed to prepare students for real ministry, emphasizing impartation and transformation. It is not just about what you learn in the classroom; it is about what is deposited in your spirit. When you leave RSM, you do not just graduate with information—you carry the ministry inside of you, ready to impact the world with the Word and power of God.

Upon completion of the program, students are eligible to be awarded a Certificate of Theology, an Associate of Theology, or a Bachelor's of Theology, depending on the level of study completed. These credentials reflect not only academic achievement, but also spiritual growth, practical training, and the ability to carry the Word and the Anointing into ministry.

RSM is an Accredited Bible School Program and is an Associate Member of Transworld Accrediting Association International. You will learn ministry ethics, be taught sound doctrine through seasoned teachers of the Word of God, gain hands-on experience in the ministry, and receive an impartation of the Anointing.

RSM runs on a monthly basis, with a different Bible School course each month. You can register and jump right in before each course. You will be expected to fulfill course requirements such as exams, reading, and outreaches. Get more info at [riverschools.com](http://riverschools.com).

## **God wants to work through you to reach the lost!**

The command Jesus gave to go into all the world and proclaim the Gospel was not meant for a few—it is a mandate for every believer. You are called to carry the Good News. When the Gospel is declared, people don't just hear words—they encounter Jesus. He alone has the power to change hearts, lives, families, and even entire nations.

On the next page, you'll find a practical tool designed to help you confidently share the Gospel with others. The Gospel Soul-Winning Script can be copied, folded lengthwise, and read aloud. As you step out in obedience and use it, you will see people respond to Christ, because the Gospel itself carries the power of God to bring salvation to everyone who believes.

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## THE GOSPEL SOUL-WINNING —SCRIPT—

**H**as anyone ever told you that God loves you and that He has a wonderful plan for your life? I have a real quick, but important question to ask you. If you were to die this very second, do you know for sure, beyond a shadow of a doubt, that you would go to Heaven? [If "Yes"—Great, why would you say "Yes"? (If they respond with anything but "I have Jesus in my heart" or something similar to that, PROCEED WITH SCRIPT) or "No" or "I hope so" PROCEED WITH SCRIPT.]

Let me quickly share with you what the Holy Bible reads. It reads "for all have sinned and come short of the glory of God" and "for the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." The Bible also reads, "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved". And you're a "whosoever" right? Of course you are; all of us are.

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I'm going to say a quick prayer for you. Lord, bless (FILL IN NAME) and his/her family with long and healthy lives. Jesus, make Yourself real to him/her and do a quick work in his/her heart. If (FILL IN NAME) has not received Jesus Christ as his/her Lord and Savior, I pray he/she will do so now.

(FILL IN NAME), if you would like to receive the gift that God has for you today, say this after me with your heart and lips out loud. Dear Lord Jesus, come into my heart. Forgive me of my sin. Wash me and cleanse me. Set me free. Jesus, thank You that You died for me. I believe that You are risen from the dead and that You're coming back again for me. Fill me with the Holy Spirit. Give me a passion for the lost, a hunger for the things of God and a holy boldness to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ. I'm saved; I'm born again, I'm forgiven and I'm on my way to Heaven because I have Jesus in my heart.

*As a minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ, I tell you today that all of your sins are forgiven. Always remember to run to God and not from God because He loves you and has a great plan for your life.*

[Invite them to your church and get follow up info: name, address, & phone number.]

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Pastors Corey and Rose Erman are ordained ministers under Drs. Rodney and Adonica Howard-Browne of Revival Ministries International and are graduates of River University. They serve in good standing with the RMI Ministerial Association and have faithfully served over 30 years in ministry, including 29 years in pastoral leadership, preaching the Gospel and raising leaders worldwide.

Born in Ankara, Turkey, Pastor Corey Erman immigrated to the United States as a teenager, later graduating as valedictorian of his high school and earning a Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering with honors from Texas A&M University. After a successful career in global consulting, he experienced a life-altering encounter with God that led him to surrender his life fully to Jesus Christ and enter full-time ministry.

Raised in a Muslim home, Pastor Corey's radical conversion and divine calling were marked by supernatural encounters, including a powerful vision of Jesus Christ that commissioned him into ministry. In obedience to God's call, he returned to Turkey in 1996, where he was baptized in the Holy Spirit and launched into an evangelistic and healing ministry during a time of intense persecution.

Pastor Corey met his wife, Pastor Rose, in Ankara, and they were married in 1998. Trained in Tampa, Florida, they later moved to Istanbul to establish churches, Bible schools, and revival works. Together, they have led thousands to Christ, trained ministers, preached in over 25 nations, conducted revival meetings and leadership conferences, and built a global television ministry impacting lives around the world.