

# *Where Are the Men?*

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*“We do not admire the man of timid peace. We admire the man who embodies victorious effort; the man who never wrongs his neighbor, who is prompt to help a friend, but who has those virile qualities necessary to win in the stern strife of actual life.” –Theodore Roosevelt*

*“Stand true to your calling to be a man. Real women will always be relieved and grateful when men are willing to be men.” –Elisabeth Elliott*

*“A woman simply is, but a man must become. Masculinity is risky and elusive. It is achieved by a revolt from woman, and is confirmed only by other men. Manhood coerced into sensitivity is no manhood at all.” –Camille Paglia*

*“The test of every religious, political, or educational system is the man which it forms.” –Henri-Frédéric Amiel*

*Ezekiel 22:30 And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.*

*Isaiah 59:16 And he saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor: therefore his arm brought salvation unto him; and his righteousness, it sustained him.*

*Jeremiah 5:1 Run ye to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem, and see now, and know, and seek in the broad places thereof, if ye can find a man, if there be any that executeth judgment, that seeketh the truth; and I will pardon it.*

- I. These three verses make clear the fact that there was not “a man” to be found.
  - A. The circumstances were the same in all three cases – it was a time of apostasy and wickedness when society had been degraded to the point that God was about to judge it.

*Ezekiel 22:23-31 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Son of man, say unto her, Thou art the land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon in the day of indignation. There is a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravening the prey; they have devoured souls; they have taken the treasure and precious things; they have made her many widows in the midst thereof. Her priests have violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things: they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned among them. Her princes in the midst thereof are like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, and to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain. And her prophets have daubed them with untempered mortar, seeing vanity, and divining lies unto them, saying, Thus saith the Lord GOD, when the LORD hath not spoken. The people of the land have used oppression, and exercised robbery, and have vexed the poor and needy: yea, they have oppressed the stranger wrongfully. And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none. Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord GOD.*

*Isaiah 59:1-16 Behold, the LORD'S hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear. For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered perverseness. None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity. They hatch cockatrice' eggs, and weave the spider's web: he that eateth of their eggs dieth, and that which is crushed breaketh out into a viper. Their webs shall not become garments, neither shall they cover themselves with their works: their works are works of iniquity, and the act of violence is in their hands. Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; wasting and destruction are in their paths. The way of peace they know not; and there is no judgment in their goings: they have made them crooked paths: whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace. Therefore is judgment far from us, neither doth justice overtake us: we wait for light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, but we walk in darkness. We grope for the wall like the blind, and we grope as if we had no eyes: we stumble at noonday as in the night; we are in desolate places as dead men. We roar all like bears, and mourn sore like doves: we look for judgment, but there is none; for salvation, but it is far off from us. For our transgressions are multiplied before thee, and our sins testify against us: for our transgressions are with us; and as for our iniquities, we know them; In transgressing and lying against the LORD, and departing away from our God, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart words of falsehood. And judgment is turned away backward, and justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter. Yea, truth faileth; and he that departeth from evil maketh himself a prey: and the LORD saw it, and it displeased him that there was no judgment. And he saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor: therefore his arm brought salvation unto him; and his righteousness, it sustained him.*

- B. So where are the men? – This is an important fact that we should consider in times like ours.
- C. The low state of things is connected with the fact that there are no men to be found.

II. In times of trouble the true men are found – if there are any to be found.

- A. We see from the Scriptures that GOD was looking for “a man.”
- B. We can look at history – our own history as a nation, and we can see that in past generations there were true men there when the times demanded them.
  - 1. We can look at the history of Israel, and without exception, when there was a great deliverance there was always a “man” who was found, and who lead the way to victory over the evil.
- C. If GOD looks for a man when the people are in trouble, it would behoove US to look for some men in our trouble times, also.
  - 1. I am not speaking just of our nation and world, but of our homes, our schools, and our churches.
  - 2. If women want a happy marriage, they better make sure they marry a man, and they better keep him a man and not try to emasculate him.
  - 3. If we want a church that is effective and a place where God can work, we better let the men run things and make the important decisions and teach the Word of God.
- D. There is only one thing that stands between a people and oppression, death, and destruction – and that is a true man.

- E. True manhood is indispensable, but our society has dispensed with it.
  - 1. It has been replaced by aggressive female talk and rhetoric.
- F. We are a people now that is satisfied and takes some kind of comfort in listening to loud-mouth females talking tough about politics, foreign relations, and low-life men.
- G. Even the men (males) who are in leadership positions or in positions of influence through the media, do nothing but talk.
  - 1. JUST talking is a feminine attribute.
  - 2. True men will talk until it becomes obvious that talking is not going to resolve the issue, then they will put their hands and their feet to it.
  - 3. True men MAKE things change when things are wrong.
- H. But if there is no “man” to step up and make things change, they do not change, and destruction and confusion and misery are sure to follow.

### III. Where are the men?

- A. They have been pushed aside and displaced in every area of our lives and society.
  - 1. Women have taken over every part of everything in our society.
  - 2. Men have no place anymore and women are preferred above them for almost any job or position – especially if it involves any kind of authority.
- B. They have been made to feel ashamed of being a man and acting like a man.
  - 1. Anything manly has been labeled as “sexist,” or somehow the mark of a low-life, stupid, childish boy.
  - 2. The boys now are being taught that guns are immoral and punished for playing and pretending they have a gun.
- C. They have been feminized and emasculated and smothered by their liberated mothers and sisters.
  - 1. They have been marginalized out of the workings of society. – That means to treat (a person or group) as insignificant or peripheral.
- D. Many, if not most, boys now are raised by a woman, taught in school by a woman, and when they get a job their boss is a woman.
  - 1. If you go to the post office the postmaster is always a woman now.
  - 2. If you work for the government your boss is most likely to be a woman.
  - 3. If you go before a judge, it will likely be a woman.
  - 4. If you join the military your commanding officer could very well be a woman or a sodomite.
  - 5. If you call your senator or representative they are more than likely a woman.
  - 6. If you need a police officer it might very well be a woman that shows up.
  - 7. If you go to any government office you will find a woman in charge there.
  - 8. If you go visit a church somewhere the pastor might be a woman.
  - 9. And any of these positions that ARE filled by a man, it is usually a feminine man who has a feminized view of everything.
  - 10. We are to the point now that just being a woman qualifies you to be president of the United States, and that should be reason enough alone to not vote for any man that is running.
  - 11. At the same time most have no manly example in their lives at all.
  - 12. If there is a man in their lives he is usually a lazy, beer-drinking, weed-smoking, filthy-mouthed, godless, little boy in a man’s body, who lives for his games and toys.

13. So naturally, the little boy is either going to grow up being like his mother, or he is going to be like the male examples of degraded manhood he sees in his life.

*Isaiah 3:1-26*

- IV. We have the same number of males as we have always had – just very few men.
  - A. So what are these males that are not men?
    1. They are boys and men who have given up on being a man.
    2. They have been brainwashed into thinking that they are wrong for thinking they should lead or be strong or have the final say in anything.
    3. They are men and boys who have just given up on being a man because it just isn't worth the hassle.
    4. It is easier to just retreat into watching sports, playing video games, hobbies, and working.
    5. So most males have just retreated to a place outside of the workings of society and they live there in irrelevance.
      - a) Some of them work their jobs and live their lives but they have no real say in anything about the way their money is spent, their children are raised, or their home is run.
      - b) The women in their lives make all those decisions and they don't even put up any resistance.
    6. Their deep desire to be a man is only fulfilled by empty imitations like indulging themselves in things like hunting, riding motorcycles, going to the gym, and racing.
      - a) These are the only ways they ever experience any kind of dominion or conquer anything.
    7. They are forced to try to conform to female emotions and feminine ways of thinking, but there is something in them that revolts against all that.
    8. As a result, many males become violent and join gangs and or try to identify themselves with some tough guy celebrity or stereotype.
      - a) Now we see them joining outfits like ISIS and other groups that are violent and evil, but are using force to exercise dominion.
- V. We have plenty of males who could be men, but lack the motivation to step up to the plate.
  - A. As long as the women are running everything and the men can go on playing with their toys and games and drinking their beer and watching their football games, and everything continues to run, then nothing is going to change.
  - B. But things are NOT going to keep running smoothly and we all know and feel the impending doom that is about to come upon us.
  - C. Savage, violent, cruel enemies have risen up all around the world who hate us and are determined to destroy us as a people.
  - D. They are flooding into our country TODAY over our borders and flying in on airplanes – we are being invaded by them right now as I speak.
  - E. They have already infiltrated our government at all levels – we have a Muslim president, who is most definitely on the side of our enemies and is doing everything in his power to aid them and hinder us from defending ourselves.
    1. His entire cabinet and all the officials he has any authority over are all of the same stripe, too.

- F. We have no real men in places of authority anymore.
- G. Children are our oppressors and women rule over us.

*“History is strewn with the wrecks of nations which have gained a little progressiveness at the cost of a great deal of hard manliness, and have thus prepared themselves for destruction as soon as the movements of the world have a chance for it.” –Walter Bagehot*

- H. When the moment of reckoning comes – and it is coming soon – will we find among all these males who have secluded themselves from the workings of society enough real men to stand up for us?
- I. When the enemy breaks down the gates and the doors and comes in like a flood the feminine leadership we have, whether male or female will flee and not stand – what is our next line of defense?
- J. If we have no men in waiting we will have no defense.
- K. If we will be saved it will be by real men – not immature little boys who play with toys and flex their little imitation muscles they got by taking steroids and lifting weights at the gym.
  - 1. It will not be by brain dead gamers and porno freaks who live in a virtual world.
- L. This thing is returning to the old fashioned way of fighting and we have no men who are prepared for it.
  - 1. They are building walls around the cities in the middle east again. (Bagdad)
  - 2. The Bible talks about the last battles involving horses and fighting the way men used to fight – who is up for that?

*“Civilization comes at a cost of manliness. It comes at a cost of wildness, of risk, of strife. It comes at a cost of strength, of courage, of mastery. It comes at a cost of honor. Increased civilization exacts a toll of virility, forcing manliness into further redoubts of vicariousness and abstraction.” –Jack Donovan*