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The Godly Men Group is a non denominational, men-focused organization. It is a novel initiative inspired by the Holy Spirit birthed to lure men away from modern generational decadence into a life of service, royalty and priesthood. Our vision is to reach out to every man on the surface of the earth, grooming them to be as Jesus Christ and to encourage them to uphold Godly values. Men who will love Jesus Christ and have a personal love relationship with Him and pass on this virtues to their generations to come. This ministry ignites a passion for God's word through full gospel teachings, inspiring biblical resources and global impact that reaches over hundreds of lives worldwide.

DEDICATION

This book is dedicated to all the men around the world. We pray that they come into the fullness of the knowledge of Christ and understand the importance of having a deep intimate love relationship with the Holy Spirit to achieve a Godly relationship, courtship and marriage.

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BEFORE “I LOVE YOU.”

Most relationships start from this simple sentence “I love you.” It is likened to a ticket to a fun fair or the password to a bank vault...cool yeah? Before saying the popular ‘I love you’ to the girl, lady or woman of your ‘dreams’ you should know this first.

Jesus replied: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.” This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: “Love your neighbor as yourself.”

Matthew 22:37-39 (NIV)

As Christian men, loving God is the first most important thing to do before loving any woman. Your love for God has to fill all thy heart, soul, and mind just as the scriptures tells us; ***All of you!***
Nothing left!

This way, you will be able to express and pour out the God-kind of love to her.

Furthermore, having a *deep intimate love relationship with the Holy Spirit is the principal thing, so before saying ‘I love you,’ you already know its worth and that it comes from an overflowing jar of God’s love in you.*

Prayer:

Lord Jesus, help me to love you with all my heart, mind, and soul. Holy Spirit, guide me and reveal more of yourself to me. Help me to express your love to others and that special lady someday in Jesus name. Amen.

Read: John 14:15

DAY 2

WHAT LOVE IS ABOUT

In English language, the word *love* could be a *noun* (a person liking someone) or a *verb*(to love someone). In the scriptures, *love* is *God*. 1 John 4:7-8 says:

Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

Love is all about God, and God is all about love. In essence, Godly men should be all about love. Unconditional love should be the basis for all you do—not doing it for what you want in exchange—or doing it with a hidden motive. The Bible in 1 Corinthians 13:1-7 further explains what love is about and the significance of love.

One constant thing that tries to compete with men's ego is offense. Offenses will surely come, but what will love do?

Love forgives and keeps no record of wrong doings.

Love is not puffed up or thinks he is better and superior than others. *Love puts the lady first.* Love gives and sacrifices. Love is compassionate. Love is empathy. Love is God. *Love is YOU.*

Prayer:

Father, thank you for your word today. Thank you for being love and showing your everlasting love to me. Help me to be love and showcase your light to others in Jesus name. Amen.

Read: 1 Corinthians 13:1-7

DAY 3

ARE YOU READY?

Dating is not just about the label, fun or supposed privileges that comes with it. Dating encompasses a whole lot. Now, take your time to answer this question: “Are you ready?” ***Don’t rush yet, just wait.*** If your answer is yes, keep reading (you just might re-think your answer)

Okay let’s go a bit further;

- 1) Are you ready ***spiritually*** to handle the duties of a ***priest***? (1 Peter 2:5). To give Godly advice and do the right thing at all times?
- 2) Are you ready ***mentally*** to tolerate a woman’s mood swings, proffer solutions to her challenges and still cope with yours after a long day?
- 3) Are you ready ***financially*** to buy gifts, plan surprises and give periodic monetary benefits?
- 4) Are you ready ***emotionally*** to handle situations, stress and still keep your cool?

You can now say you are ready, if your answer to all the questions is a ***big YES without pausing for more than a second...lol***. Before starting a committed relationship, you must be ready all-around. 2 Peter 1:3 says:

“According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue.”

Everything you need to get ready for life- dating, courtship, marriage has been given to you by God. Everything that pertains to Godliness- ***sexual purity***, honesty, commitment has already been given to you.

Prayer:

Lord Jesus, help me to put you first. Prepare me for your will and guide me in the process in Jesus name.

Amen.

Meditate: 1 Peter 1:15-16, 2 Timothy 1:9

DAY 4

YOU'VE GOT WORK TO DO

God ordained men to be priests, leaders and heads of their relationships, home and families.

Unfortunately, this is not the case anymore because women have learned to be more spiritually disciplined, and now take on the God-given position. *Man, you have work to do!* 1 Corinthians 11:3 says: ***“But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God.”***

You have to take up your spiritual responsibility and execute it to the best of your ability by the grace of God. This involves a lot but a few major ones will be highlighted below;

- 1) Making Jesus Christ the foundation of your relationship (1 Corinthians 3:11).
- 2) Loving your partner as Christ loves the Church (Ephesians 5:25).

3) Constant fellowship with the Holy Spirit
(Philippians 2:1-2)

4) Sharing God's word from your place of prayer
(Mark 16:15)

God would not have entrusted you with all these responsibilities if He did not know you will be able to carry them out. Your female partner is your help-meet. Therefore, treat her with understanding, tenderness and patience. Grace is made available to you, to do all God has created you to do in relationship, courtship and ***marriage- the result of every Godly relationship.***

Prayer:

*Father help me to do all you have created me to do.
Help me to carry out my responsibilities by your
grace. Thank you Lord in Jesus name. Amen.*

Read: 1 Peter 3:7, Ephesians 5:23-33.

DAY 5

BELIEVE GOD

And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.

Matthew 17:20.

God is very much interested in your life, yes, even your “love life.” Therefore, you should *believe* that all things work together for your good regardless of the outcome. Philippians 1:6 says: “*Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ*”

Thus, be rest assured. However, if the result is not what you expected or hoped for, God is still faithful and that is not a criteria for His faithfulness.

Remember, it is all for your good. Keep trusting God, do not pass the hurt from your past to your future relationship. Forgive whoever is involved, forgive yourself, let go and be willing to open up again. ***A failed relationship is better than a failed marriage.***

And, remember God is very much interested in all that concerns you!

Prayer:

My Father, thank you for loving and caring for me the way you do. Help me to believe that all you do are for my good even when it does not look like it. Thank you for being there and not giving up on me. I love you Jesus. In Jesus name. Amen.

Meditate: Jeremiah 29:11.

GOD'S VESSEL



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