

We've shared a good bit recently about the value of men being connected with some 'wise guys'. We all need some men to walk through life with. Seasoned men give us perspective. Peers commiserate with us and cheer for us. Younger men are hungry for encouragement. Connecting with other men sharpens us!

Many guys recognize a deficit in this area but aren't sure how to resolve it.

Here are some thoughts...

Invite God to help you notice a guy (or guys) that you could connect with... and ask if you could buy them a cup of coffee. (Bonus points if you take them out to eat. Double bonus if for steak!)

Avoid the temptation to give advice. Listen. Ask questions. Listen. Ask questions. Listen.

Here's a strategy I recommend often... (Thanks, Phil Downer!) **Use the 4 H's.**

What's Heavy?

What's Hard?

What Hurts?

How can I Help?

Listen to another man. Encourage him. Cheer for him. Pray for him. Right then. Right there.

Here's another idea... Make a plan to meet a couple of guys to watch **Show Me The Father** in September and react to it over coffee. Common ground helps us connect with others. You'll be amazed at guys' stories when you say, **"Tell me about your dad."**

Serving Adventurously,

Mike Young



EVERYONE HAS A DAD STORY

...and it might range anywhere from "I never knew my dad" to "My dad was the largest and best influence in my life."

These stories cast a shadow over our lives for better or for worse.

The Kendrick Brothers, creators of six – and counting – inspirational Christian films, are releasing their first documentary in September, and it focuses on Fatherhood.

This powerful film explores the perfect Fatherhood of God and the relationship He desires to have with each of us.

It couldn't have come at a better time. With divisions and disagreements in our country, and even within the church, both secular and sacred evidence agree on the importance of fatherhood and its ripple effect on our lives.

As partners in ministry, we can be catalysts to bringing the body together to focus on our Father and on the calling of fathers. We'd love to see groups going to watch together, inviting others to come along, and making time to discuss the heart of God as our Father. Yes, watching movies is fun, and the film highlights some great personalities such as Dr. Tony Evans, Jim Daly of Focus on the Family, and several NFL players.

But at its core is a cause we are fighting for, modeling our lives after our Father and fulfilling our mission as dads.

Here's our challenge... get a group of friends, neighbors, or a church small group to see this film and discuss together. Groups can view it as early as August 27. Check out **ShowMeTheFatherMovie.com** for details.

Pray that Noble Warriors can have conversations using this resource with new churches and leaders we don't currently have a relationship with.



A few of the fathers and sons at The Noble Man Conferences & Tailgates in 2019 -2020.







FALL TAILGATE TOUR 2021

Please pray for us as we secure host churches and keynote speakers for the Fall Tailgate season!

FAMILY UPDATE

Our goal during the month of August is to raise \$6,000 to host The Noble Man Tailgates in Fall 2021!

Learn how you can help us hit the road and help noble men connect at

NobleWarriors.org/ ConnectTheDots





ZACH has started BOLC (Basic Officer Leaders Course) at Ft. Rucker. He jumped in with both feet at First Baptist Enterprise, AL and is connecting with new friends and mentors.

BEN finished up his internship at the Rocket Center in WV. He'll be home for a couple of weeks working on projects before heading back to NC State.

HANNAH participated in a mini retreat for high school girls this month and volunteered at VBS. She continues to enjoy her job at Old Navy.

OWEN is so cute we can't stand it. He's quite verbal (like his dad!) and is rolling over so he can get his fist in his mouth. **TIM AND CAROLINE** are leading the prayer group at their church and continue to enjoy island life.

STACY AND I continue to adjust to new rhythms. With Hannah gone frequently, it's just the two of us for dinner. We're having lots of conversations about what life should look like for just the two of us.





