



MOVING FORWARD AND BACK TO THE BEGINNING

April was an exciting month as we launched a new way to connect...

The Noble Man Podcast. So far, we've posted 6 episodes with more to come. We've encouraged men as spiritual leaders to lament, learn and lead, look for the good, be intentional with family meals and the value of playing games as a family.

Our May theme will be how men honor God by honoring the women in their lives.

But why start at the end? You should start at the beginning! You may want to hear or re-hear the story of the founding of Noble Warriors in Episode 1. Mike shares how God led him on a journey from pre-med to high school educator, and from construction to mangers. We hope it's an encouragement to someone out there wrestling with a calling in their life. Check out this and all the episodes at NobleWarriors.org/Podcast.

You'll hear where the name Noble Warriors came from.

Noble: Isaiah 32:8 says, **"But the noble make noble plans, and by noble deeds they stand."**

Warriors: Psalm 127:4-5 describes children **"like arrows in the hands of a warrior."** We want to equip men to raise up and release arrows to do **"damage for the kingdom."**

And Mike's definition of what a Noble Warrior is... ready, equipped, and trained for battle in a valiant, God-honoring way.

Hear more on The Noble Man Podcast
Apple Podcasts, iTunes, Spotify, Podbean

Thank you for praying and giving, (some of you for our entire 15 year history!) to help churches build Noble Warriors who walk with Jesus and lead well!

- ▶ Pray with us that this new NW ministry initiative will gain traction and serve churches and men well!
- ▶ Pray that men will respond as God pricks their hearts to call them into ministry or to lead differently in some way.

This is a time of financial uncertainty for many individuals and organizations. **With the loss of conference revenue from our two largest events, Noble Warriors falls in that category.**

As you are able and led, partner with us financially at NobleWarriors.org/Donate

MINUTE WITH MIKE

We're locked in on the mission of Noble Warriors! Methodologies, however, are adjustable. **"Improvise, Adapt and Overcome!"**, a slogan of the Marine Corps, has become a mantra for a broader set of individuals and organizations including Noble Warriors.

We keep asking God to help us understand how to **serve churches as they equip men to walk with Christ and lead well.** We regularly champion God's design for men to serve as spiritual leaders in their homes. It doesn't work out perfectly in every situation, but our desire is to help men execute this role well.

Churches have launched virtual worship gatherings. I'm personally thankful for this! But, passive engagement with a pre-recorded sermon video or even a live stream is only so effective. **What really matters is the processing that takes place afterward and beyond.** The most impactful spiritual moments generally won't happen during large group gatherings but in the context of life. **We want to see men ready to engage those moments, whenever they pop up.**

- ▶ Pray for us that we will have the wisdom to serve churches and leaders well in the COVID-19 crisis.
- ▶ Pray for our first upcoming Virtual Regional Team meeting with pastors and leaders across the state.

A HUGE PRAYER REQUEST FOR NCMM

I have served on the **National Coalition of Ministries to Men Board of Directors** for over six years and as President for the past three. My term of service is near complete and I'm stepping away from **NCMM** leadership.

Would you pray for God to make clear who should serve as the next President and for His plan for growing NCMM influence? I and **Noble Warriors** will continue to be an active **NCMM** member. If you are not familiar with the role **NCMM** played in the founding of **Noble Warriors**, listen to Episode One of **The Noble Man Podcast** to hear the story!

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JOIN THE FUN!

In addition to **The Noble Man Podcast**, we've added fun new element in our weekly communication... **1 Quick Question**. So far, the amazing response from our readers has helped us learn more about...

- **Guy's signature or specialty meal**
- **Favorite family games**
- **What moms consider honoring**

Check out the results at NobleWarriors.org/1Qresults.

If you aren't on our email list, make sure you sign up on the **Partner** page of our website! **We'd love to have your input on these fun surveys!**

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Zach's School of Country Line Dancing!



FAMILY UPDATE

TIM was under heavy pressure to make sure Caroline's first married birthday was special while under quarantine. He seems to have pulled it off well. For perspective on their first months of marriage, read **Candles, Camo and Christ** on the Noble Warriors blog!

The transmission follies have come to an end. **BEN** and **ZACH** have removed and reinstalled the transmission in a 94 F150 THREE TIMES! They rebuilt it twice, but it wasn't quite right. Finally, they struck a deal with an honest to goodness transmission mechanic. "We'll cut your grass all summer if you'll help us fix this!" Boom! They're on the road. They'll take you for a ride in it if you ask!

HANNAH has a couple of friends that she spends some time with and enjoys baking cookies for the neighbors. She has resorted back to hiding her favorite snacks from her brothers!

We're all thankful that the spring has been quite mild and have enjoyed much time around our firepit. **STACY** and **I** are continually thankful for laughter around our table and robust conversations about life, faith and ministry.

Thank you for your faithful prayers and partnership for our family and Noble Warriors. It is our privilege to pray for you.