



## GREAT QUESTIONS

Jesus said, ***“Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”***  
Matthew 11:28

In the past 45 days, I’ve led two retreats (67 men from Story Point Presbyterian at the Airfield 4-H Center and 43 men from several different churches at Camp Piankatank) and spoken at a couple of men’s events.

### Men are asking great questions about...

- How can I become a better father?
- How do I get my marriage back on track?
- How do I grow as a believer?
- How do I lead my family?
- How do I rebuild my marriage after being unfaithful to my wife?
- How can I be a successful stepfather?
- How do I relate to my daughter?
- How do I honor my father who hasn’t lived an honorable life?

These questions are challenging without a pandemic, but COVID brought distance, distractions, and discouragement to exacerbate the issues. Many men are experiencing frustrations, weariness, and hardships that weren’t on the horizon when all this started. We can’t go backward, and we still aren’t sure what ‘normal’ may look like. **So, we must press on.**

The best way to press on is to lean into Jesus. **Could I encourage you to pray specifically, by name, for some men around you?** Pray for your father, your son, your brother, and other family members. Pray for your pastor and other leaders. Pray for co-workers and friends.

Serving Adventurously,

*Mike Young*

# YOU PUT RESOURCES IN THE HANDS OF MEN

**Noble Warriors ministry partners are making a  
citywide impact in Richmond, VA.**

We’ve just launched Season 3 of **The Noble Man Podcast** and can’t wait for you to hear our most recent episode with Stephan “Coach” Hicks. Coach was in his 40s when he founded **My Brother’s Keeper**, a nonprofit devoted to every aspect of helping men become *“better brothers, better husbands, better fathers and better community members”* in and around the Richmond area.

Coach says there was a time when he was searching for what it meant to be a man. That’s when he connected with Noble Warriors and found the resources he needed, like **Quest for Authentic Manhood**. He began meeting and learning with just a few guys in his home, but God has multiplied that work! The organization is touching the lives of men from age eighteen to well into their sixties.

**Coach is thankful for what Noble Warriors has been able to provide and shares:**

***“I want your listeners to know what a mentor you’ve been to me... Mike invested in me. Not only did he point me to resources, but he actually put resources in my hand. He gave me curricula when I couldn’t afford to purchase them. And so we couldn’t be what we are today without Mike’s help and his mentorship towards me.”***

**Thank you for making it possible for Noble Warriors to observe where God is working and help provide resources and support.** He is multiplying your gifts through groups like **My Brother’s Keeper** and men like Coach, a living example of Luke 22:32.

***“But I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.”***

- ▶ Pray that the podcast would gain traction and impact more men.
- ▶ Pray for other ministries and their effectiveness for the Kingdom.
- ▶ Pray for new relationships and partnerships and that God would continue to multiply the ministry of Noble Warriors.

## GIVING TIP

As you receive your tax refund, invest a portion in Noble Warriors!

## WHAT NOT TO GIVE YOUR WIFE OR MOM FOR MOTHER'S DAY...

(According men polled in a 1 Quick Question Survey)

- Scanner
- Vacuum Cleaner
- Basket filled with an assortment of flours
- Anti-freeze recovery kit for car
- Nothing at all

## IDEAS FOR MEMORABLE MOTHER'S DAY GIFTS...

(According to women polled in a 1 Quick Question Survey)

- Picnic lunch
- Handmade card or letter
- Breakfast in bed
- Potted flower
- Cleaning the house
- Pedicure and manicure
- Family activities together

To read more gift DOs and DON'Ts, visit [NobleWarriors.org/IQResults](http://NobleWarriors.org/IQResults)

## COMING UP!



**Ep. 77 - Scott Haima**  
*Christian Service Brigade*  
**Mobilize men to actively disciple young boys.**

**Ep. 78 - Chuck Stecker**  
*A Chosen Generation*  
**"The man who asks the best questions controls the conversation!"**

**Ep. 79 - Kent Evans**  
*Manhood Journey*  
**Look for wise men who know things you want to know.**

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## MIKE'S WALKABOUT



**I TOOK A ROAD TRIP RECENTLY** to visit some friends, partners, and advisors. Changes are in motion for me personally, for our family, and for Noble Warriors. It's nothing bad, just a season of transition. Hannah's leaving for college in August, so Stacy and I will be empty nesters. We're coming out of COVID, so we must discern what a post-pandemic Noble Warriors will look like. **We simply can't do all that we were doing before COVID and all the stuff we started doing during COVID.**

So, I went to seek wise counsel. I met with **Ken and Eleanor Burns** in South Carolina, **Brian Doyle, Pastor Carey Bates, Patrick Morley, Brett Clemmer** and **Keith Tully** in Florida, and **Jerry Daniel, Marty Granger, Ben Young** and **Bryan Nelson** in North Carolina. I also visited **Pioneers Mission** headquarters in Orlando and **JAARS** headquarters in Waxhaw, NC.

I still have much to ponder, process, and pray over in the coming weeks and months. But I'm thankful for the penetrating questions, powerful prayers, and profound wisdom I received..

**A few themes emerged that I'll share briefly here:**

- 1** I was asked to clarify my calling. Here's my prayed-over statement of calling:  
**God has called me to catalyze men's discipleship through the local church.**
- 2** I was reminded of the importance of stewarding well the incredible array of relationships, experiences, and posture God has entrusted to Noble Warriors and me over 17 years.
- 3** I was encouraged to keep asking God for clarity and praying about how He might work through Noble Warriors and me to multiply men's discipleship.

I don't have answers to all the questions, but there is no shortage of need for men to submit to Jesus as Lord, grow in faith, and lead others to him. There will be more to unpack in the coming months. **In the meantime, thank you for your prayers and partnership. God is at work in us and through us to accomplish his will in his time!**