

A Mighty Man's Life

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**David had
mighty men he
could count on**

Can we count on you?

“And it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking unto Saul, that the soul of Jonathan was knit with the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul.”

1 Samuel 18:1

Can she count on you?

“Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.”
1 Peter 3:7

Can your children count on you?

“And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.”

Joshua 24:15



Inspire

Bold, courageous, godly men inspire followers.

What are the duties of a mighty man?

1. Spiritual
2. Marital
3. Parental
4. Church
5. Family
6. Professional
7. Financial
8. Social
9. Personal
10. Civil/National

#1 - Spiritual Duties of a Mighty Man

- Bible Reading: personal, prayerful, meditative
- Daily, individual prayer
- Self-examination
- Confession of sins thoroughly
- Singing/Listening to godly music
- Keep hear w/ all diligence/focus
- Pray to grow in grace in the Lord
- ID temptation to compromise
- Take costly steps to fight
- ID hinderances to walk w/ God
- Recall former convictions
- Consider reputation in church
- What fruit of the Spirit can you claim?
- Do you give thanks?

#2 - Marital Duties of a Mighty Man

- Rate your marital happiness
- How would your wife rate hers?
- Keep intimate duties
- Happy & fulfilled intimately
- Does she stay for fear or love?
- Crush porn or lose
- Cherish/nourish as own body
- God loaned her, you owe Him
- Show love outside the bedroom
- Remember her workload
- Do you manage showing love?
- Solve the biggest difficulty
- Pray with her
- Crush bitterness in both

#3 - Parental Duties of a Mighty Man

- Proactive guidance
- Bible worldview
- ID problems & solve them
- Devotions and Bible training
- Plan for frequent instruction
- Communicate to purge bitterness
- Win their hearts w/ time/effort
- Pursue them
- Are they happy or sullen?
- Do they love & care w/ affection?
- Manage education spiritually
- Pray & work to get godly spouses

#4 - Church Duties of a Mighty Man

- Committed attendance
- Initiate godly talk
- Prepared, alert, eager
- Addicted to hospitality
- Systematic communication outside assemblies
- Settle disputes
- Make peace with all
- Reach out to most distant members
- Promote fellowship and growth in grace
- Volunteer

#5 - Family Duties of a Mighty Man

- Regular communication and honor to parents
- Regular communication and honor to in-laws
- Regular communication and honor to step-relatives
- Make peace with siblings and wife's siblings
- Help any indigent relatives
- Does your larger family consider you a spiritual leader (Abraham) or lazy loser (Lot)?

#6 - Professional Duties of a Mighty Man

- Acquire a transferrable skill
- Content w/ position & pay
- Are you getting good reviews & raises?
- ID severe temptations
- Reputation with boss and colleagues
- Serve master w/ all heart and might honoring Christ
- Conduct adorning the doctrine
- Prioritize properly (#6)
- Grateful for work/income or complaining?
- Others interested or sick and tired of hearing about your job?

#7 – Financial Duties of a Mighty Man

- Paying God first, systematically
- Paying yourself second
- ID problems (working hard/smart, foolish spending, no savings, etc.)
- Credit score – Christian or fool?
- Payment habits
- Records current, orderly
- Income sufficient?
- Content w/ godliness
- Wisely insured against catastrophic loss

Duties of a Mighty Man

#8 - Social

- Peace with neighbors
- Peace with colleagues
- Honest report outside church
- Living peaceably with all men/enemies
- Visible good works, glorifying God

#9 - Personal

- Fitness for wife, energy, health
- Attend to health problems
- Fight temperamental weaknesses
- Crush ungodly temptations
- House, cars, assets well kept
- End of life arrangements

#10 – Civil and National Duties of a Mighty Man

- Pray for president and other leaders/servants
- Avoid speaking evil of dignities
- Avoid those meddling with changing government
- Submit to every law and regulation for the Lord's sake
- Honest reporting to the IRS and other taxing authorities

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Are you a Mighty Man?

- You only get one life to live properly.
- You have scarce resources, esp. time.
- You are to lead, and others will follow.
- The world sets false priorities for us.
- The only “balance” we want is God’s.
- Life success is by wise time allocation
- We are commanded to redeem the time
- As a man, you must consider your time
- If unmarried, it means you have more!
- If still in school, you have much more

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