## Act Like Men – Not boys

## Boys

- 1. Driven by emotion
- 2. No self control behavior driven by circumstances, seek immediate gratification
- 3. Give into their sin
- 4. Pout, mope, feel sorry for self when life hard or don't get way
- 5. Can't follow leaders and kick against authority
- 6. Waste time with the wrong things
- 7. Won't take responsibility, blame shift, excuse making
- 8. Self focus everything is about them
- 9. Can't empathize or understand others lives
- 10. Won't initiate
- 11. Don't have their own thoughts
- 12. Weak and afraid to fail

## Men

- 1. Driven by truth and careful thought
  - A. But know how to express range of appropriate emotion
- 2. Developing/learning self control behavior drive by truth/right/faith and seeking long-term joy in God
- 3. Make war against their  $\sin if$  by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body
- 4. Trust God, count it as joy, understand Fatherly training/disciple/maturity when things don't go their way or life is hard
- 5. Know how to rightly trust, follow, rely on leadership and guidance from godly proven leaders
- 6. Maximize time spent on the right things
  - A. Is time for leisure, hobbies, play and fun not to excess
  - B. Big time wasters obsessive sports following, obsessive gaming, exercise, internet and social media, excessive home projects hobbies as distraction or escape
- 7. Take responsibility where is right to take refuse to make excuses or defend or justify self
- 8. Others focus: see life as not their own, husbands that reject single lifestyle
- 9. Weep with those that weep, rejoice with those that rejoice know how to be emotionally attentive to others
- 10. Initiative in life, marriage, church, responsibilities not waiting for someone to do for them
- 11. Clear thinking, sense of conviction and own thoughts not independent and argumentative though
- 12. Strong, not afraid of trying and failing knowing that they are under grace