

A REAL MAN

A man shall be as a hiding place from the wind and a cover from the tempest, as rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land (Is. 32:2). Teachings that try to make men wimp-like, shrink back and be apologetic are not Christ-like. Jesus could be around the wildest man unable for people to be around, yet that man cowered before Jesus and Jesus tamed him (Mk. 5:1-20). The call laid out before men is to deny self with its lusts, come to Jesus, put God first, wife second, family next in word and deed. Head up the family (Eph. 5:23). Take primary responsibility for discipline and teaching of children (Eph. 6:4). Like God, being strong against wolves coming against the family and loving, gentle and kind to the family (Ps. 23). Led by the Spirit. Be strong and prove yourself a man (in 1 Kings 2:2).