

Manhood as Portrayed in Ephesians 5: 21-33 versus Manhood as Portrayed in the Contemporary World

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Abstract

The contemporary world perceives or posits manhood in a peculiar way. Common contemporary images of manhood as portrayed in the media involve being tough, harsh, successful in business and having a muscular body among others. While Ephesians 5: 21-33 does not suggest that these contemporary perceptions of manhood are wrong in any way it nonetheless gives its own understanding on what manhood is all about. This articles attempts to put the two scenarios, the one reflected in this passage and the other posited by the contemporary world, in juxtaposition. It seeks to compare the two and show how the two may inform, influence and affect each other.