“The Measure of a Man –
Twenty Attributes of a Godly Man”
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Introduction

• D.D. Lewis, former linebacker with the Dallas Cowboys, strayed from the Lord and sought help from the author, his former pastor
• He needed spiritual help and accountability
• To get back on track, he worked through this book, a chapter at a time, and would meet weekly to talk about it, discuss and pray
• We are going to do this too.
• It will take honesty. If we fall down in some area of our life, we will need to admit it up front, and get back on track with the Lord
• Titus 3:5-7 – No matter what has happened, God will forgive us and help us back
• This book will help us discover how to become a better husband, father, and Christian – by being a more mature man of God
• This study, and getting together on a weekly basis to discuss what we are reading, can help us develop accountability in our children's lives too

How do we measure maturity?

• The apostle Paul outlines 20 qualities for measuring maturity
• These are described in his first letter to Timothy, and his letter to Titus (1 Tim 3:1-7, Titus 1:5-10)
• Each time we get together one of us will spend around 30 minutes discussing what we can learn from scripture about this particular subject
• Then we will spend 30 minutes discussing and sharing focussing mainly on how we can implement this quality in our lives
• The focus of this study is in 2 Timothy 2:2
• “The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also”.

Chapter 1 - Becoming a Faithful Man

• These 20 qualities describe the kind of people managers look for when hiring
• They help to show who should be promoted, and who is doing well in their particular field, and having a positive influence
• These are all desirable qualities

Timothy in Ephesus

• 2 Tim 3:17
• How do we recognize a “man of God”? 
• Timothy was a pastor whom Paul had left in charge of the Ephesus church
• He had to deal with people who wanted to be spiritual leaders
• But Paul tells Timothy that each one should be a particular type of person
• 1 Tim 3:1

Titus in Crete

• Titus faced the same challenge
• Paul appointed him to raise up spiritual leaders in towns where churches had now been established (Titus 1:5)
• Titus' problems were more difficult, because some had established themselves as leaders who did not exhibit these qualities, and were after the money (v.10-11)
• The lists of qualities are in 1 Tim 3:1-7 and Titus 1:5-10
• Here is a summary of the qualities listed:
Discussion Questions

- Why do you think that Paul gave us these lists of attributes?
- Why do some men grow rapidly in their Christian faith, while others struggle and seem to take as many steps back as forward?
- Think of some examples you can sensitively share. If you feel free to, share your own personal experiences.
- As you look back at Paul's list, what would you consider to be your areas of strength?
- As you look back at the list, in which particular area would you like to grow the most? Can you identify the factors that may be holding you back?