



Men's Roundtable: A Quest for Authentic Manhood

Session 4: The Mother Wound

Introduction to Biblical Femininity

The Mother Wound Defined

Characteristics of the Mother Wound

- Usually this wound is _____, not blatant.
- It's not a wound of abuse, neglect, or absenteeism; it's disguised as _____ and _____.
- It is a wound not of inattention but of _____.
- Outwardly it looks like love, but to him it feels like _____.
- It is so powerful, it can _____ or _____ the masculine psyche.
- This wound begins with an _____ or distant _____.

The issue begins with us as men, so the _____ must begin with us, too.

Mother Wounds

1 Fill-in-the-Gap mom	2 Ignorant mom
3 Aggressive mom	4 Unwilling-to-release mom

The Call

- The critical need today is for fathers to engage and _____ their sons away from _____ and towards manhood.
- This call needs to be:
 1. _____
 2. _____
- This call needs to include:
 1. A _____ Vision – to describe what a real man is
 2. A Code of _____ – to describe how a real man lives
 3. A _____ Cause – to declare what a real man lives for.
- This call needs to employ _____.

Discussion Questions

1. Are you still feeling overly tied to or emotionally directed by your mother?
2. Is there evidence of either of the wrong responses to the mother wound (overly passive or overly dominant towards women) in your life? Explain.
3. Do you suffer from this wound? What steps from this session could you employ to begin to address it right now?