Pastoral Notes

"Man Up" - Judges 4: 1-10.

As Superbowl 50 is upon us, men will take the field for their respective teams in a quest to win a game. Unfortunately, they will spend more time in huddles than actually running plays.

Christians must spend some time huddled up to plan, opine and pray, but we need to spend more time running plans than huddling up.

God has given men a special place in created order, he created men first. The

"We-cis". We are our worst enemy when we promote and allow generational violence and ignorance to proliferate and we (especially men) aren't actively doing anything about it. God says, it's time to Man Up.

At CTC, we need bus drivers and foot soldiers willing to Man Up and Step Up in the war of good vs evil, right vs wrong, education vs incarceration. Young soldiers need us to Man Up and not just huddle up. The Power is in God's hands, but the Labor is in

Key Sermonic Points

- 1. Man Up to break the cycle of negativity
- 2. Man Up to take pressure off our women
- 3. Man Up because it honors you and pleases God

woman was created to complete the man but not to compete him. As such, **God holds men to a higher standard of leadership** in his world and church. As such, brothers must "Man Up" and lead the effort to get the kingdom back from the enemy and into the hands of Gods people.

Good leadership generally leads to good results. We are in the middle of a spiritual war that is not in the middle East, but in the middle of our neighborhoods. The enemy is not 'ICIS', the enemy is Our hands. Expect to be hit by the enemy but get in beast mode because through his past contact, you've been able to get some YAC (yards after contact). Man Up!

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Stay Blessed, Pastor Robbie

Nuggets:

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- It's okay to run our mouths, run to get coffee and run to get donuts, but let's make sure we also get on the field to run plays.
- Huddling does not impress God nor impact people.
- God has called plays for us to run bootlegs and not audible to hand the ball off to others
- When God is your blocker, he will open up holes just like he's already opened up doors.
- Christians sometimes must be in 'beast mode' because our enemy, Satan, is a beast.

"Don't ask God to order your steps, if you're not willing to move your feet" (Bro Tony Lyke).