

Immanuel Institute: Spring 2025
Biblical Anthropology
Week Six: Being a Godly Churchman

Introduction

- Biblical Anthropology
 - The *Imago Dei*
 - Hamartiology
 - Gender and Sexuality
 - Being a Godly Husband
 - Being a Godly Father
 - Being a Godly Churchman

- Lifeway Research ... “5 Current Challenges Facing U.S. Churches” on September 26, 2023
 - “More churches in significant decline.”
 - “Aging leaders and congregations.”
 - “Less desire to change.”
 - “Navigating changing worship service experiences.”
 - “Exhausted pastors.”

How to Be a Godly Churchman

- In a wicked, confused culture, hold the line on biblical _____, including the doctrine of _____ (Jude 1:3).
 - Imago Dei
 - Hamartiology
 - Gender / Sexuality

- Be a godly _____ and a godly _____.
 - Your _____ must be a reflection of Christ and the church (Ephesians 5:32).
 - Your _____ must contribute to the next generation of believers (Psalm 78:1-8).

- Obey the “ _____ ” commands.
 - _____ one another (Romans 12:10, 1 Thessalonians 3:12, 4:9, 2 Thessalonians 1:3, 1 Peter 1:22, 4:8, 1 John 3:11, 3:23, 4:7, 4:11-12, 2 John 1:5).
 - John 15:12-13
 - 1 Corinthians 13:4-7
 - Pursue _____ with one another (Romans 12:16, 15:5, 1 Corinthians 11:33, 12:25, 2 Corinthians 13:11, Colossians 3:13).
 - Ephesians 4:1-6
 - Galatians 5:15, 5:26
 - _____ (greet, honor) one another (Romans 12:10, 15:7, 16:16, 1 Corinthians 16:20, 2 Corinthians 13:12, 1 Peter 5:14).
 - _____ one another (Galatians 5:13, Ephesians 5:21, 1 Thessalonians 5:15, 1 Peter 4:9, 1 Peter 5:5).
 - 1 Peter 4:7-11
 - _____ one another’s burdens (Galatians 6:2 ... Galatians 6:5).
 - Be _____ and _____ to one another (Ephesians 4:32, Colossians 3:13).
 - _____ with one another and _____ one another (Romans 15:14, Ephesians 5:19, Colossians 3:16, 1 Thessalonians 4:18, 5:11, Hebrews 3:13, 10:24-25 ... James 4:11, 5:9).
 - _____ your sins to one another and pray for one another (James 5:16).

- Embrace God’s design for _____ in the church (1 Peter 5:1-5, Hebrews 13:17).
- Know when to _____, and know when to _____ (Proverbs 26:4-5).
 - Bad Reasons to Leave
 - My _____ got hurt.
 - I disagree about an issue that is a matter of _____ and not a matter of biblical fidelity.
 - My kids want to go to a _____ church.
 - My church won’t start (continue, bring back) my favorite _____.
 - My church is too _____ or too _____.
 - Good Reasons to Leave
 - You _____ away.
 - You discern a _____ to serve in a new role at another church.
 - The leadership is _____, the teaching is _____, and there is no obvious avenue for _____.
 - Your church is more concerned with _____ and _____ than worship.
 - Your church does not allow you the opportunity to _____ or engage in _____.

Conclusion

- _____ (1 Corinthians 16:13, Ephesians 6:10-13, 1 Peter 5:8-9, Jude 1:3).