

The Manly Life

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INTRO:

I. → Proverbs 6:20-22

*My son, keep your father's command
and do not forsake your mother's teaching.*

*Bind them always on your heart;
fasten them around your neck.*

*→ 22 When you walk, they will guide you;
when you sleep, they will watch over you;
when you awake, they will speak to you.*

II. What do men want?

A. Not to spend my money on things I won't wear

B. Molly buying me clown clothes

BODY:

I. A Life of Experience

A. There is no substitute for the experience of life.

1) Dad brain—there is a cure for that

2) **Ephesians 6:1-3**

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

*"Honor your father and mother"—which is the first
commandment with a promise—"so that it may go well with
you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth."*

3) CASEY WANTING ME TO COSIGN AN APARTMENT

B. The old need the young; and the young need the old.

1) **Proverbs 20:28-29**

*Love and faithfulness keep a king safe;
through love his throne is made secure.*

*The glory of young men is their strength,
gray hair the splendor of the old.*

2) OLD GUYS BRINGING IN THE ROCK

II. A Life of Sacrifice

- A. There is a time to be thankful for the sacrifices made.
- 1) Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson, Supreme Court nominee, was asked by Sen. Marsha Blackburn, "Can you provide a definition for the word 'woman'?" She responded, "I'm not a biologist."
 - 2) **1 Corinthians 16:13**
Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong. (KJV)
 - 3) **FIXING THE PIPE TO THE SUMP PUMP**
- B. God created men to lay down their lives for their families.
- 1) **John 10:11-12**
The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away.
 - 2) **SAM PENSE LYING ABOUT HIS AGE**

III. A Life of Faithfulness

- A. So much of life is about showing up and being faithful.
- 1) **1 Corinthians 4:1-2**
Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. (KJV)
 - 2) **DRIVING THE KIDS IN THE PARADE**

We stand on a lonely, windswept point on the northern shore of France. The air is soft, but forty years ago at this moment, the air was dense with smoke and the cries of men, and the air was filled with the crack of rifle fire and the roar of cannon. At dawn, on the morning of the 6th of June, 1944, two hundred and twenty-five Rangers jumped off the British landing craft and ran to the bottom of these cliffs.

Their mission was one of the most difficult and daring of the invasion: to climb these sheer and desolate cliffs and take out the enemy guns. The Allies had been told that some of the mightiest of these guns were here, and they would be trained on the beaches to stop the Allied advance.

The Rangers looked up and saw the enemy soldiers at the edge of the cliffs, shooting down at them with machine guns and throwing grenades. And the American Rangers began to climb. They shot rope ladders over the face of these cliffs and began to pull themselves up. When one Ranger fell, another would take his place. When one rope was cut, a Ranger would grab another and begin his climb again. They climbed, shot back, and held their footing. Soon, one by one, the Rangers pulled themselves over the top, and in seizing the firm land at the top of these cliffs, they began to seize back the continent of Europe. Two hundred and twenty-five came here. After two days of fighting, only ninety could still bear arms.

And behind me is a memorial that symbolizes the Ranger daggers that were thrust into the top of these cliffs. And before me are the men who put them there. These are the boys of Pointe du Hoc. These are the men who took the cliffs. These are the champions who helped free a continent. And these are the heroes who helped end a war.