

Genesis 1:26-27 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness...So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him;"

God alone defines masculinity....

His purpose for man was to work, have an understanding of authority, know parameters of obedience and a given desire for a wife. When SIN entered the world it damaged God's true definition of masculinity. Sin flaws, wounds, causes brokenness, disobedience and wickedness in man. Still God loved man and gave them Godly characteristics; Abraham was a man with undeterred faith and a worshiper of God, willing to sacrifice his son. (Genesis 22:1-16)

Daniel was a man of excellent spirit and a prayer warrior. (Daniel 6:4-11)

Jacob was a schemer, he wrestled with God, but he Prevailed and Overcame. (Genesis 32:9,24-30)

Jesus was given as God's sacrifice to man to restore true masculinity; Some Godly characteristics Jesus displayed were; Committing to a greater authority - John 12:49-50
Committing to determined joyful obedience, humbleness, being a servant - Philippians 2:3-8, 1 Peter 5:6
Committing to Spiritual discipline - Mark 1:35
Committing to carry out Gods mission for His life - Matthew 26:39, John 10:10
Committing to love others faithfully - Jeremiah 31: 3, John 15:9, Ephesians 5:25,27
He was a man of honor and integrity, living fully by God's Word, encouraging and teaching others to become like Him.

Micah 6:8 (NKJV)

' He has shown you, o man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, love mercy and to walk humbly with your God?'

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Job 1:1-8 ; 29:1-17

Real Men are Godly men

Ps 12:1 Tit 2:11-12

Real Men Work Hard

Ge 3:19 1Ti 5:8 2Th 3:10

Real Men Consider Others

Eph 5:21-27 Phil 2

Real Men display Integrity

Job 1:8 Titus 2:7-8

Real Men show Self-Control

Pr 25:28 Jas 1:19 Eph 5:3