

Let's take a look at the 14 Stages of the Average Man

- **Stage 1: The Beginning**
 - It is said that our personality is fully established by age 7
 - This is a crucial time
- **Stage 2: Mentored**
 - Family, friends or people we look up to
 - Good or bad
- **Stage 3: Feeling Immortal**
 - Your teen years, you feel invincible and sow your oats
 - Many of your decisions will shape you during this time
- **Stage 4: Identity**
 - You lose your way because you have no idea who you really are
 - You start listening to others who tell you who you are, most are wrong
- **Stage 5: Adversity**
 - Most are not ready because they are not grounded for trouble.
 - After all isn't it true that adversity introduces us to ourselves
 - Even though it feels as if they are going against the grain they continue to travel down a path they know they should not
 - Unfortunately many die here because they are unprepared and don't know how to get out
- **Stage 6: Help!**
 - The fortunate realize they are going nowhere and are wise enough to seek help
 - They realize that there is a God and He loves them
 - He puts his trust in the creator and then...
- **Stage 7: Trust (Relationships)**
 - God will provide a helper, a man who will come along side you to show you the way and for you to be accountable to
- **Stage 8: Building a Strong Inner Circle**
 - That one strong relationship will lead you to others. Through a discerning eye you will be able to build an inner circle, of like-minded men, who will be there through thick and thin
- **Stage 9: A Provider**
 - You will become a strong provider, first for yourself and then for a others
 - Doing your work, no matter what it is, all for the Glory of God
- **Stage 10: A Husband**
 - The lover of one woman
- **Stage 11: A Lover**
 - The sharing of love in God's timing
- **Stage 12: A Dad**
 - Our greatest role
- **Stage 13: Success**
 - Not by the worlds standards, but by God's
- **Stage 14: Legacy**
 - You will leave a legacy, good, bad or indifferent. The legacy you leave will be determined by the previous 13 steps