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October 2011 Update

A Call to Men from Dennis Rainey: "Stepping Up" \$1.99 E-Book Offer

A WORD FROM DENNIS RAINEY: What does a "real man" look like? Men today are confused about what a real man is, and what a real man does ...

If you are a man, you know what I'm talking about. If you are a woman, I ask you to hear the heart of your husband ... son ... grandson

Men aren't really expected to be men anymore. As a result, marriages and families continue their downward decline ... and many single and married women, as well as children, long for their man to courageously step up and provide the kind of leadership that they can follow.

But over the years as I've spoken with men, I've determined that men don't need to be berated and beaten up for where they are failing. Instead, they need another man to put his arm around them and cheer them on in the journey. That's why I was motivated to write a book to men to equip them and give them encouragement, direction, and a vision for their lives. It's called *Stepping Up: A Call to Courageous Manhood*.

DETAILS OF E-BOOK OFFER: Offer runs Sept. 9 - Oct. 15 so don't delay buying the *Stepping Up* E-book at only \$1.99. A link to this special offer can be found on www.FamilyLife.com/SteppingUp, along with a video of Dennis telling why the message of *Stepping Up* is so important to men. You can also purchase the Kindle version of the E-book on Amazon.com or the Nook version of the E-book on BarnesandNoble.com. Please pass this on to your friends as well!!!

MEN FACE DECISIONS IN LIFE THAT DEMAND COURAGE.

In Dennis Rainey's newest book, *Stepping Up*, he tackles head-on the call to living, breathing manhood, offering a simple yet powerful vision for what it means to be a man who truly conquers and wins. Perfect for men of all ages who aspire to an effective life, *Stepping Up* offers a simple yet powerful vision for what it means to be the men God created them to be.

SPECIAL E-BOOK OFFER!
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ENCLOSED ARTICLE: A reminder for Every Married Person

If you are a married person and reading this, then please keep reading. Shawn and I want to **shine the light** on a practice in our world that is *widely accepted*—but is *very dangerous*. And this practice, if continued, can end your marriage. It is ending marriages and damaging relationships EVERY DAY in our country.

What is this dangerous practice? **Being alone with a person of the opposite sex that is not your spouse.** It can happen in a closed office meeting, on a car ride to an event, or as a meal shared together. And lest you think this is "old-fashioned" or "out-of-date" for the world we live in, it is NOT. Most adulterous relationships do not start *on purpose* but through *seemingly innocent* time spent with another person.

The *enclosed article* highlights how it only took ONE TIME for the CEO of Habitat for Humanity to be accused of inappropriate conduct with a female staff member. And it can only take ONE TIME for you or for me. No one is immune. "Let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed—lest he fall." 1 Cor. 10:12

FamilyLife has had our "Above Reproach" policy for many years. The policy for the DeMoss group is included at the end of the enclosed article. Both of these, *when followed*, guard us from putting ourselves in situations of temptation. If you are a married person, commit to your spouse TODAY that you will not be alone with a person of the opposite sex. If you are in leadership in a company, we challenge you to have the courage to fight to get this policy in place in your company. Thank you for taking this seriously!

October Verse:

"A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favor is better than silver or gold." NIV

"A sterling reputation is better than striking it rich; a gracious spirit is better than money in the bank." MSG

Proverbs 22:1

Join us in giving our Lord praise for:

- Shawn's Trip: Shawn had a great time on her visit with a friend in Sept. and Glen and the kids had fun too! (check our blog for pics)
- FamilyLife: As we begin our 35th year as a ministry, we thank God for both His favor and His grace to us over all those years
- God's Provision: We thank God for BOTH His generous provision for FamilyLife as a ministry AND God's gracious provision to us through our Ministry Partner Team!
- God's Word: That He has designed it to be a lamp to our feet and a light for our path. May we, as Christ-followers, feed on His Word and ask Him to keep us on His path!

Join us in praying to our Lord God for:

- Fall Weekend to Remember Getaways: For the Lord to bring 25,000 or more folks to the 48 Getaways we are hosting this Fall—5 of them in the Red River Region.
- Red River Team: Continued prayer for the Team—one of our people left to return to the Donor department at FamilyLife. This means more travel and responsibility for all the remaining members including Glen.
- Art of Marriage: For 75 or more couples to register to attend an Art of Marriage event that our home church will be hosting in Little Rock on Nov. 4th and 5th.
- Desire for God's Word: That Glen and Shawn and our three kids would daily "hunger" for God's Word!
- Daily Keeping Our Priorities: God first, Marriage second, Family third, and Ministry activities after that.

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