EMAW Testimonials

Collection for Inspiration

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"A Wife's Observation"

I was quite surprised when my husband, Joel, told me he was joining an *Every Man A Warrior* (EMAW) small group. Don't get me wrong, he was a faithful follower of Jesus, an active member in our church and the leader of our young married couples small group. Add all of that to caring for our family and managing a group of engineers at his company, I was simply surprised he was willing to commit to something more. Of course, as his wife, I had always secretly hoped he would strike an interest in something like EMAW as it seemed like a solid program, strengthening the faith of the men in our church. I never wanted to be the "Holy Spirit" in his life, so I simply left it up to God to nudge him in that direction and I am so glad He did.

After several weeks of waking up before the sunrise, climbing out of bed and showing up to a dark church parking lot, I wondered if Joel would lose motivation. However, it only grew. He looked forward to meeting around the table with the seven guys he had committed to walking with through this journey. What he was learning in study was not only growing his knowledge of the bible, but deepening his relationship with God and changing his heart.

The accountability EMAW provided pushed him to be more faithful with his quiet times, positively influenced the way he spiritually led our family and caused him to make it a point to memorize God's Word and put it to use. I will never forget hearing him encourage our son using a verse he had memorized through EMAW. It is so refreshing to see him laying in bed most nights reviewing his memory verse cards instead of scrolling through ESPN.com. It has even encouraged me to put down my phone or nook and pick up my bible.

I am so thankful for the influence and impact EMAW has had on my whole family. Knowing my children will grow up seeing there dad in the Word daily and hearing him use God's word to address all circumstances in life is a great and profound gift.