EMAW Testimonials

Collection for Inspiration

Gene Kashuba - Clarks Summit, PA



"A Testimony of Service and Will"

This testimony was received from Gene Kashuba (right), who was in my very first group in 2011 at Heritage Baptist Church in Clarks Summit. The real cool thing about this story is his dedication to serving Joe Zury (left) at his table. Joe suffered a serious head injury resulting from a near fatal car accident. His learning capabilities had diminished, but his heart for the Lord never wavers. As one might assume, his ability to memorize scripture and experience Quiet Times take an extraordinary amount of effort. Gene invited Joe to his table and is working closely with him to make this a mutually powerful experience. Here is what Gene sent to me about the experience.

This is my third time through the EMAW study, and it's the second small group I've led. The group I'm leading now is special because of one of the participants. His name is Joseph Zury and anyone who knows or meets Joe knows that he is dedicated to and loves the LORD. When I began this group I had some apprehension about Joe being part of the group. The reason is because of his mental deficits and the limitations he has. I did not want him to become discouraged, so I spoke to a few other people about this and decided to have him be part of the group. I've modified things a little - like holding him accountable to memorizing all the verses. With that said, he does do a pretty good job with each weekly verse so I can tell he is working on his memorization of the verses. I have to tell you though, Joe does a great job with the chapters and the quiet times and his insight on different topics has been spot on. He has been an inspiration and blessing to the rest of the group and we're pleased to have him as part of the EMAW fraternity.

This is a testimony of service and of will. 2 Corinthians 8:12 says, "If the readiness is there, it is acceptable according to what a person has, not according to what he does not have." Gene is serving Joe, and therefore being blessed by the readiness (or willingness) that Joe exudes at the table in his Quiet Time and his participation at the Table. Joe is being blessed by a brother-in-Christ coming alongside; thus allowing him to experience Every Man A Warrior in a rich way!