

**LESSONS IN MANHOOD: DON’T COMPLAIN**

Job 1:21, Colossians 3:1-2, Romans 5:3-4

This discussion is based on the leadership study “Lessons in Manhood”, available at https://leadmin.org/manhood.



Use one of these to get the group talking about today’s topic:

• What is a habit that someone else has that drives you crazy? Bad hygiene? Grinding teeth while sleeping? Talking while eating?

* What personal disciplines are important to you? What do you spend time doing every day that makes a positive impact in your life?
* What is something you complained about this week? What made you complain?



Go in-depth with these questions. Based on your available time, choose 3-4 that you believe are most thought-provoking:

• Read Job 1:21. This is Job’s reaction to the loss of his livestock, family and home. What makes his words extraordinary?

* Would Job have had a reason to complain to God? Why or why not?
* Read Colossians 3:1-2. What does the Apostle Paul say our attitude should be toward our possessions and relationships on earth? What makes this teaching difficult?
* We thank God for our blessings—spouse, children, job, gifts. Should we also thank Him for adversity? Why or why not?
* Read Romans 5:3-4. What should we do with respect to suffering?
* What should be the spiritual result of suffering in our lives?
* What does God give us that helps us deal with setbacks and suffering?



• Are you facing anything right now that has you wondering, “Why me?” Begin praying that God will reveal to you how your challenges might grow you spiritually.

* Are you prepared for adversity in life? If not, consider how you might grow in life and leadership to become accustomed to suffering and setbacks.
* Is there adversity that you need to be thankful for this week? Pray thanksgiving to God when He brings suffering, knowing what it can produce spiritually in your life.