

MENS LIFE BLOOMINGTON

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Authentic Brotherhood | Blueprint Study

Overview: Blueprint Study is about learning how to hear God's voice through Scripture—slowly, clearly, and consistently. The Bible is God's unified story, and it becomes our guide as we observe what it says, understand what it means, and apply it to real decisions. We don't grow by accident. We grow as we open God's Word, start small, stay steady, and let His truth shape the direction of our lives.

Verse: *Every part of Scripture is God-breathed and useful one way or another—showing us truth, exposing our rebellion, correcting our mistakes, training us to live God's way. Through the Word we are put together and shaped up for the tasks God has for us.* 2 Tim.3:16-17 MSG

Video: [The Story of the Bible • What It's About from Beginning to End](#)

Presentation Overview:

- The Bible tells one unified story that shows God's heart and His design for our lives.
- Slowing down to observe, understand, and apply what God says.
- Start small and stay consistent—small daily habits lead to long-term spiritual growth.
- God's Word is our blueprint, guiding our steps and shaping how we live each day.

Questions for Matthew 7:24–27

These questions give us a simple way to read the Bible side-by-side—with curiosity, openness, and brotherhood—so we can explore the passage from different angles and discern God's wisdom together. Read the passage and talk through these questions.

- **What questions does this raise?** What feels confusing, surprising, or curious—what do we genuinely wonder about together?
- **What do we notice as we look closer?** What new details stand out after a second reading or reflection?
- **Which one question should we explore?** Which shared question seems most important, timely, or central to the passage?
- **Where else does Scripture connect?** What other passages, themes, or biblical images does this remind us of?
- **What wisdom is God showing us here?** What truth, insight, correction, or encouragement seems to rise to the surface for us as a group?
- **What one next step can we take?** How could this shape a practical action, attitude, or decision in the coming week?

Closing Prayer:

Thank you Lord for the gift of Your Word as the blueprint for our lives. Teach us to slow down, to listen, and to let Your truth shape how we think, choose, and live. Help us start small, stay steady, and grow in the daily habit of meeting You in Scripture. Make us men who hear Your voice, walk in Your wisdom, and follow Your ways with faith and humility. Amen.

1. What questions does this raise for us? (*Name our curiosity together.*)

- What feels confusing, strange, or hard to understand?
- What words, phrases, or ideas make you pause or scratch your head?
- What honest questions would you love to ask the author—or Jesus—about this passage?

2. What do we notice as we look a little closer? (*Slow down and pay attention.*)

- After a second reading (or a short video), what new details stand out?
- Are there repeated words, patterns, or contrasts we didn't see at first?
- What did someone else notice that *you* had completely missed?

3. Which one question do we want to explore together? (*Choose a shared focus.*)

- From our list, which question feels most important or most interesting right now?
- Which question seems closest to the “heart” of this passage?
- Which question might open a helpful conversation for where we are as men today?

4. Where else in Scripture does this connect? (*Follow the hyperlinks.*)

- Does this remind us of another story, psalm, teaching, or image in the Bible?
- Are there key words or themes that show up in other parts of Scripture?
- How do those related passages shed light on what we're reading here?

5. What do we sense God showing us as a group? (*Listen for God's wisdom together.*)

- What truth about God, His character, or His ways is rising to the surface?
- Is there a correction, encouragement, or reminder we feel as a table?
- If we had to name one sentence of “God's wisdom for us today” from this passage, what would it be?

6. What is one next step we can take? (*Move from insight to action.*)

- How could this shape a decision, conversation, or attitude *this week*?
- Is there a small, doable step—personal or shared—that we can actually take?
- How can we encourage each other to live this out, not just talk about it?

Matthew 7:24–27

Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock. Though the rain comes in torrents and the floodwaters rise and the winds beat against that house, it won't collapse because it is built on bedrock. But anyone who hears my teaching and doesn't obey it is foolish, like a person who builds a house on sand. When the rains and floods come and the winds beat against that house, it will collapse with a mighty crash. NLT	These words I speak to you are not incidental additions to your life, homeowner improvements to your standard of living. They are foundational words, words to build a life on. If you work these words into your life, you are like a smart carpenter who built his house on solid rock. Rain poured down, the river flooded, a tornado hit—but nothing moved that house. It was fixed to the rock. But if you just use my words in Bible studies and don't work them into your life, you are like a stupid carpenter who built his house on the sandy beach. When a storm rolled in and the waves came up, it collapsed like a house of cards. MSG	Everyone who hears my teaching and applies it to his life can be compared to a wise man who built his house on an unshakable foundation. When the rains fell and the flood came, with fierce winds beating upon his house, it stood firm because of its strong foundation. But everyone who hears my teaching and does not apply it to his life can be compared to a foolish man who built his house on sand. When it rained and rained and the flood came, with wind and waves beating upon his house, it collapsed and was swept away. TPT
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