

**DEEP
ROOTS**
MINISTRIES



Anvil Men's Boot Camp

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Strong Rock Camp & Retreat Center

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Session I – The Heart of a Man

Be on guard; stand firm in your faith [in God, respecting His precepts and keeping your doctrine sound]. Act like [mature] men and be courageous; be strong. Let everything you do be done in love [motivated and inspired by God's love for us].

I Corinthians 16:13-14 AMP

Let us make man in our image...God created man in
His own image. In the image of God, He created
him. Male and female He created them.

Genesis 1:26-27

“God made the masculine heart, set it within every man, and thereby offers him an invitation: Come, and live out what I meant you to be.”

John Eldredge

“Long before He laid the earth’s
foundations, He had us in mind.”

Ephesians 1:4 (MSG)

“In a sort of ghastly simplicity, we remove the organ and demand the function. We make men without chests and expect of them virtue and enterprise. We laugh at honor and are shocked to find traitors in our midst. We castrate the geldings and bid them be fruitful.”

- C.S. Lewis – Abolition of Man

Statistics:

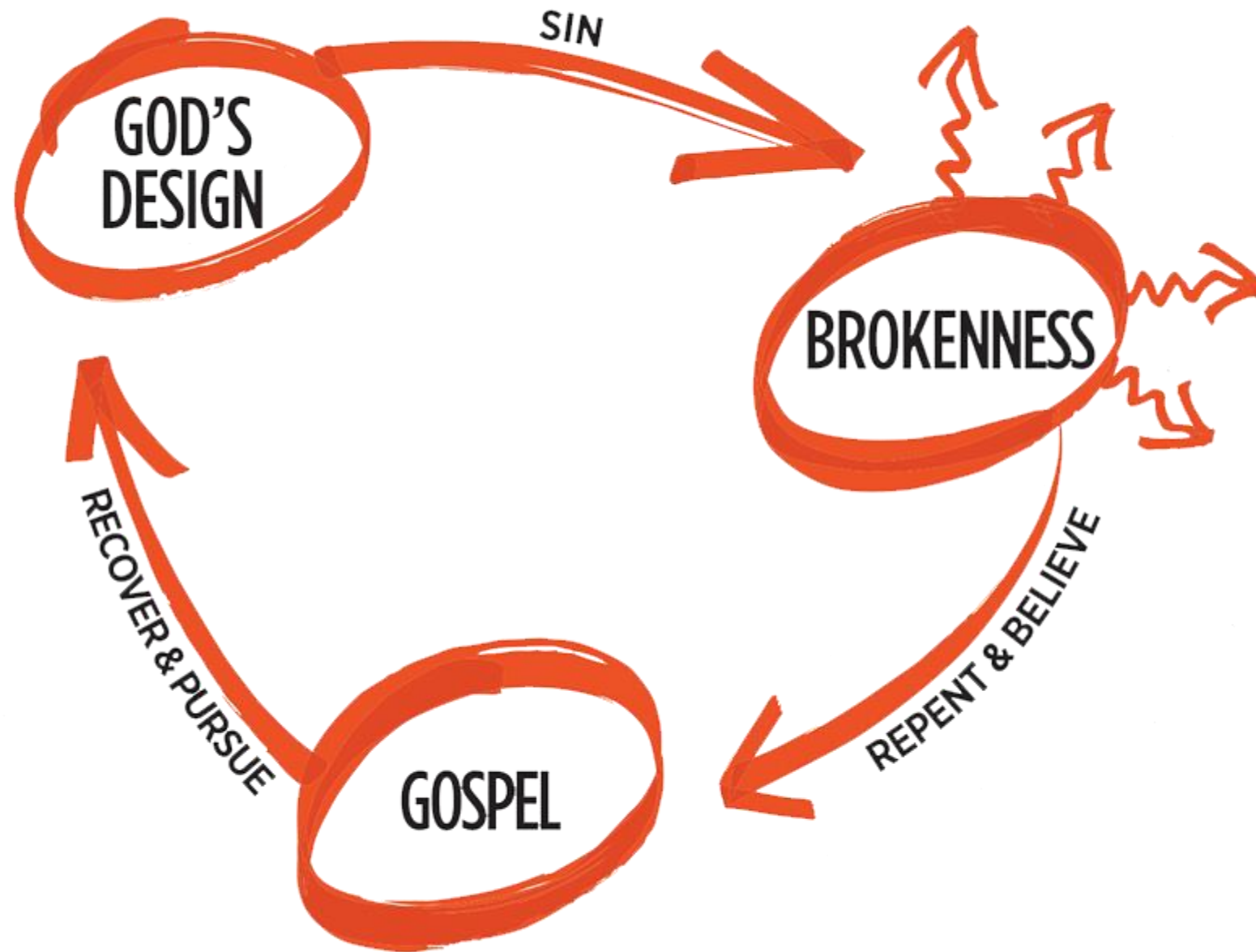
- The typical US church is 61% female and 39 % male. On any given Sunday, 13 million more women than men attend church
 - 8 % of churches have a (legit) men's ministry. In those that do, less than 10% of men attend the men's ministry
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- When a child comes to faith 7% of the time family members will follow.
 - When a wife/mom comes to faith first, 17% of the time family members will follow.
 - When a husband/father comes to faith first, 93% of the time family members will follow.

Until the healing and training of men becomes the central mission of the church and not just one of the many ministries it offers, men aren't going to find what they need within its walls. Programs and service often land on a man like chore: he's glad to do them and (needs to do them), but he won't get Life from them. When sin plays on a man's heart with guilt and shame, he will serve in the church out of a sense of obligation rather than freedom.

- Michael Thompson: The Heart of a Warrior

The recovery of our identity as God's beloved son and our experience of God's lavish love through sonship is foundational for our transformation into the kind of man who has the inner wholeness to wield power well.

- Morgan Snyder: Becoming a King



Invitation for the weekend

- Exhale – Step back 50 yards from the frontlines
- Reorientation – Be willing to challenge your worldview in the deepest levels of your heart
- Encounter God – Be open to receive a deeper revelation of the Father, Jesus, and Holy Spirit
- Inventory – Raise and consider questions that will begin to shape your life in the coming days, weeks, months, and years.
- Invitation – To begin to become a more wholehearted and rooted man and beloved son