

Why do men need a ministry?

- **Men hate coming to church.** Only 25-40% of church attendees are male
- **The church needs men.** When a *mother* comes to Christ, her family will join her at church only 17% of the time; but when a *father* comes to Christ, his family joins him 93% of the time
- **Young men and new Christians need mentors.** As many as 90% of the boys who are being raised in church will abandon it by their 20th birthday. Many of these boys will never return.
- **Men are different** and have different needs
 - In general , men are less social (relationship oriented) and more goal-oriented
 - Often times men have a father vacuum- both earthly and spiritually
 - Men have boundaries that require an emotionally safe, trusting environment

References: Why Men Hate Going to Church by David Murrow; Spiritual Fathers: Restoring the Reproductive Church by Dan Schaffer