

2022 Iron Sharpens Iron Highlights

Risk Takers

It seems like we used to be risk takers...sometimes in a foolish way like standing outside watching a funnel cloud move towards us or watching an intense lighting storm. Men are risk takers in a good way too though. They stand shoulder to shoulder in a landing craft off the beaches of Normandy, they rush into burning buildings to rescue those trapped inside.

Where are the risk-taking men in our churches? In this crazy mixed up world we are living in there is no more important issue we could help churches with than building strong Biblical men. RPM has been saying this for over 15 years, even though the world continues to go through obstacles at the church, we remain resolute in our calling to serve the local church in the area of men's ministry.

Pastors take a risk that pays eternal dividends! Invest in your men, make building strong Biblical men a priority in your church today. Do one or two things new or different this year that intentionally seeks to strengthen your men Biblically. Strategically put your calendar together so that what you are already doing fits into seeing your men grow in Christ.



Tom Cheshire, Executive Director - RPM

The Wise Guys

Pastors, men's ministry leaders, we are calling out to you to join us on the RPM podcast we call "The Wise Guys", to share what is working, what isn't working, obstacles to reaching and growing men and all things men's ministry. We are desiring to build a community of pastors and men's leaders around the central IL and metro St. Louis area to share and encourage and equip everyone to make us all better. To participate e mail, me at tom@rpmfm.org or call or text me at 217-622-4069. To listen you can find the app in Google Play or iTunes.



"Steve Etner had me captivated during "How to Transform Sinful Thoughts and Habits. His story was so real..." - J. V.

Jeff Struecker and Rufus Smith were exceptional!" - R. C.



RPM/ISI Band

"Great Program! Godly, committed speakers. Wonderful attendees. It was a privilege to attend."

- G. F.

"It was great to see how full the sanctuary was. Well oiled O'Fallon lead team!"

- G. K.

I was blessed and love Crawford (Loritts) after hearing him on the radio for the past 20 years. - A.R.



RELEVANT PRACTICAL MINISTRY FOR MEN

Taking a Chance

In 2007 I experienced a significant moral failure. At the bottom of my barrel, I met a personal and loving God who redeemed my soul. During this time the Lord took me on a quest to discover authentic manhood.

As I was putting the pieces of my life back together, God helped me recognize that if I was wrestling with the question "What is a man of God," many other men were as well. What began as a small, kindling fire in my heart began to blossom into a full grown flame to help other men, marriages, and families.



In 2009, Lisa and I felt the call to step out of the business world and into full-time vocational ministry. We had no idea what that would look like or where it would take us. Fifteen years later, we are serving with the RPM team making major impacts on men, marriages, and families all around the Midwest.

When we first stepped out, the risk seemed great and failure appeared to be around every corner. We can tell you when you make decisions with God as your focus, He is faithful. God has blessed us beyond our wildest imagination.

Tom Gensler - Director of Development, RPM

but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.
Psalms 147:11

As spring approaches...

Remember to GLORIFY God through your recreation by making him a specific part of it!
I Corinthians 10:31

Coming up....

Mother's Day - 5.8.2022

Memorial Day - 5.29.2022

Father's Day - 6.19.2022

Independence Day - 7.4.2022

Manhood Tips

- Men, your first ministry is your home, wife, and children. Eph 5:25, Col 3:20
- Guard your time and be present in the moment. Mt 5:37