

The Silence of Adam

- *Every man lives in the shadow of two men: Adam or Jesus Christ (Gen. 1:1)*
- *God models leadership by creating and cultivating (Gen. 1:26-31)*
- *God has given us a mandate to create and cultivate (Gen. 2:15-25)*
- *God created men to be social and spiritual leaders*
- *Adam's silence:*

The Way of the Fruit (Gen. 3:6)

- **Result:** *The way of the fruit leads men become childish consumers*

The Way of the Fig Leaves (Gen. 3:7-14)

- **Result:** *The way of the fruit leads men become to become cowards & critics*

Gen. 3:22-24

- **Both men & women are now isolated from God and the true source of life**
- *How God solved the problem of Adam's silence:*
 - *God cared for Adam and Eve despite their sin (Gen. 3:21)*
 - *God made provision for us through Jesus (Romans 5:17)*
 - *Jesus not only models an inspiring masculinity, He also enables men to live it out themselves*

Matt. 10:1-4, Matt. 10:26-39

- **Four Pillars of Biblical Manhood:**
 - *Reject Passivity*
 - *Accept Responsibility*
 - *Lead Courageously*
 - *Invest Eternally*