**1 John 2:21** "So I am writing to you not because you don't know the truth but because you know the difference between truth and lies." (NLT)

**THE LIES MEN BELIEVE**

1. I don't have what it takes TO BE A MAN.

**2 Kings 18:5-7** "5 Hezekiah trusted in the Lord, the God of Israel. There was no one like him among all the kings of Judah, either before him or after him. 6 He held fast to the Lord and did not stop following Him; he kept the commands the Lord had given Moses. 7 And the Lord was with him; he was successful in whatever he undertook …" (NIV)

2. It's NOT OK to feel sad, scared, or hurt.

**John 11:33-36** "33 When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, He was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. 34 "Where have you laid him?" He asked. "Come and see, Lord," they replied. 35 Jesus wept. 36 Then the Jews said, "See how He loved him!" (NIV)

**Luke 22:42-44** "42 Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done." 43 And angel from heaven appeared to Him and strengthened Him. 44 And being in anguish, He prayed more earnestly, and His sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground." (NIV)

3. My good INTENTIONS ought to satisfy everyone.

**James 2:14-17** "14 What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith and has no deeds? Can such faith save them? 15 Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. 16 If one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it? 17 In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead." (NIV)

**James 4:17** "If anyone, them, knows the good they ought to do and doesn't do it, it is sin for them." (NIV)

4. SEX is about MY pleasure and enjoyment.

**Hebrews 13:4** "Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept **pure**, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexual immoral." (NIV)

**1 Corinthians 7:3-4** "3 The husband should fulfill his marital duty to his wife, and likewise the wife to her husband. 4 The wife does not have authority over her own body but yields it to her husband. In the same way, the husband does not have authority over his own body but yields it to his wife. 5 Do not deprive each other except perhaps by mutual consent and for a time, so that you may devote yourselves to prayer. Then come together again so that Satan will not tempt you because of your lack of self-control." (NIV)

5. I can do life BY MYSELF.

**Ecclesiastes 4:9-12** "9 Two are betting than one because they have a good return for their labor: 10 If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up. 11 Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone? 12 Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken." (NIV)

**BOTTOM LINE**

**Genesis 6:9** "This is the account of Noah and his family. Noah was a righteous man, blameless among people of his time, and he walked faithfully with God." (NIV)

**Job 1:1** "In the land of Uz there lives a man whose name was Job. This man was blameless and upright; he feared God and shunned evil." (NIV)