

# WHAT IS HIGHLAND COLONY MEN'S ROUNDTABLE? PURPOSE - VISION – MISSION

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**Bible Verses:** I Corinthians 16:13; Colossians 1:28,29; Hebrews 5:13-14

Music: "Then At Last (Psalm 32)" - Wendall Kimbrough

"I Am Redeemed" – Big Daddy Weave

#### Purpose (Why do we exist?)

1. To offer men a relational environment for Instruction, Inspiration, and Insight.

Be on the alert, stand firm in the faith, Act like men, be strong. I Corinthians 16:13

#### Vision (What are we trying to accomplish?)

1. The vision of Men's RoundTable is to provide a safe environment for men to pursue spiritual, emotional, and relational growth.

And we proclaim Him,

Admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom,
That we may present every man complete in Christ.
And for this purpose also I labor,
Striving according to His power, which mightily works within me.

Colossians 1:28, 29

#### Mission (How do we plan to accomplish our vision?)

 We offer a weekly forum that addresses relevant topics in a dynamic interactive style through the use of music, video, discussion, and lecture.

For everyone who partakes only of milk is not accustomed to the word of righteousness, for he is a babe.

But solid food is for the mature,

Who because of practice have their senses trained to discern good and evil.

Hebrews 5:13, 14

#### **BOOK #1: BIBLE - THE MESSAGE**

- Why Eugene Peterson created The Message Bible: "I hoped to bring the New Testament to life for two different types of people: those
  who <u>hadn't read the Bible</u> because it seemed too distant and irrelevant and those <u>who had read the Bible</u> so much that it had become
  'old hat."
- 2. There is a need in every generation to keep the language of the gospel message <u>current</u>, <u>fresh</u>, and <u>understandable</u>—the way it was for its very first readers.
- 3. The goal of *The Message* is to <a href="engage people in the reading process">engage people in the reading process</a> and help them <a href="endage-understand what they read">understand what they read</a>. This is not a study Bible, but rather ""a reading Bible."" The verse numbers, which are not in the original documents, have been left out of the print version to facilitate easy and enjoyable reading. The original books of the Bible were not written in formal language. *The Message* tries to recapture the Word in the words we use today.

#### BOOK #2 - The Book You Write

Why Journal:

- 1. **Self-Improvement** = How do you need to grow?
- 2. **Creativity** = Develop your imagination.
- 3. Family = Learn to love more and tell the stories of your life.
- 4. Goals & Dreams = Where are you headed?
- 5. **Problem Solving** = Attack secrets and resolve issues.
- 6. Walk with God = Listen and talk to God.
- 7. **Daily Life** = Record the stories of your life.

### "Then At Last (Psalm 32)" By Wendell Kimbrough

Blest is the soul that's free from deceit—
No need to hide what he says from what he means.
Blest is the heart forgiven by love,
Whose every fault our good Lord covers up.

Long I disguised and buried my shame; Ran through the night and I groaned through the day. Shelter I sought where I thought I was safe, But oh silent soul, how you wasted away! Then at last I told all my sins,
And with shouts of joy, lovin' arms drew me in
To my one true safe place:
In the love of God and the family of grace!

So listen up, if you truly want to live:
Do not hide alone in the dark like this one fool did.
Be not like the mule as he fights against the reins.
Come let your broken heart be bound by grace!

#### "I Am Redeemed" By Big Daddy Weave

Seems like all I could see was the struggle
Haunted by ghosts that lived in my past
Bound up in shackles of all my failures
Wondering how long is this gonna last
Then You look at this prisoner and say to me "son
Stop fighting a fight it's already been won"

I am redeemed, You set me free So I'll shake off these heavy chains Wipe away every stain, now I'm not who I used to be I am redeemed, I'm redeemed

All my life I have been called unworthy
Named by the voice of my shame and regret
But when I hear You whisper, "Child lift up your head"
I remember, oh God, You're not done with me yet

I am redeemed, You set me free So I'll shake off these heavy chains Wipe away every stain, now I'm not who I used to be

Because I don't have to be the old man inside of me
'Cause his day is long dead and gone
Because I've got a new name, a new life, I'm not the same
And a hope that will carry me home

I am redeemed, You set me free So I'll shake off these heavy chains Wipe away every stain, 'cause I'm not who I used to be

I am redeemed, You set me free
So I'll shake off these heavy chains
Wipe away every stain, yeah, I'm not who I used to be
Oh, God, I'm not who I used to be
Jesus, I'm not who I used to be
'Cause I am redeemed
Thank God, redeemed

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## WHY ATTEND MEN'S ROUNDTABLE?

PURPOSE VISION MISSION

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## WHAT QUESTIONS DOYOU ASK?

- I. What are your life questions? What questions do you have about God and life?
- 2. When you look at yourself and your circumstances before you look at God, then you find yourself imprisoned to your own <u>selfishness</u> and <u>fears</u>. You have lost your freedom.
- 3. There is <u>a God</u> and <u>He's in charge</u>. What you believe or don't believe about God has profound implications to your freedom.

## MEN FIND FREEDOM IN GOD.

- I. Too many men blandly accept the <u>clichés of the faith</u> without dealing with the complexity.
- 2. Most men draw their idea of God from the experiences (good or bad) of their lives.
- 3. Men who are Lions find out about God <u>from Jesus</u>. Christ is the standard for everything a Christian should think about God (John 1:14).
- 4. Freedom comes from seeing two critical truths about God: I) He is **kind** and 2) He is **God** (Romans 2:4; Hebrews 10:31; Psalm 50:21-23; Isaiah 55:8,9; Romans 11:34-36).
- 5. A man knows that God will never be angry at him again (Romans 8:1, 33-39).
- 6. God has given ALL to <u>make you free</u>. He wants you to laugh, sing, and dance (Galatians 5:1).

## **ACTION: JOURNAL**

- I. Why do you attend Men's RoundTable?
- 2. What would you like to see happen in your life as a result of attending Men's RoundTable?
- 3. What action do you need to take to move toward a better life and a greater trust in God?