

Pursuit
of Purity

Men's Conference

Thirsting After Righteousness



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Lewisburg PA

**Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for
righteousness, for they will be filled.**

Matthew 5:6

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Meeting Schedule:

Friday:

9:00 Opening Thoughts / Worship

9:30 - Desiring God, Serving Satan - Phil Hershberger, Pennsylvania

Can you relate to wanting to do what is right and still continually failing? Maybe you desire God. You want to serve Him. You go to church and are involved in a ministry. From the outside it looks like you have got your life all together but under the surface you are filled with hidden sin. We can convince ourselves that the good we are doing outweighs the bad. We deceive not only those around us but we also deceive ourselves. Until we come to complete brokenness before God we will continue to desire God, but serve Satan.

10:15 Break

10:30 Bondages you never recognized - Phil Hershberger, Pennsylvania

When we struggle with hidden sin, the sin that we view as being the worst is the one that will put all our focus on. We desperately try to quit viewing porn. We try everything to overcome masturbation and lustful thoughts. We wish we could just kick the alcohol, tobacco, and food addictions. Through all our efforts we often miss what is really holding us in bondage. The sins we are committing are often a result of unrecognized pain or hurts in our lives that we are trying to avoid or forget. This topic is to encourage you to explore your heart for strongholds that you may not be recognizing.

11:15 Breakout

12:00 Lunch

1:00 Group Session

1:45 Break

2:00 - Dating Relationships with purpose - Duane Martin, Pennsylvania

It's common for older people to encourage their youth to "keep their courtship pure", but what does that really look like? How can I know if my courtship is pure? Where is the line between a pure courtship and one that isn't? How can I keep my courtship pure? These and many other questions are very real to many of you but maybe the ultimate question that we should be asking is, "What is the purpose of my dating relationship?"

2:45 Group Time

3:30 Dismissal

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9:45 - Marriage: Delight Myself or Deny Myself? - Joel Yoder South Carolina

Which one is it? Or is it both? Is one a result of the other? If so, which one comes first?

Let's be honest — many men today are confused about marriage. We've bought into half-truths and cultural lies that have quietly shaped how we lead, love, and serve. Lies that have made us easy targets for the enemy. (I know, because I was one of them.)

In this session, we'll expose some of those lies, uncover the pitfalls that keep men from walking in God's design, and rediscover the truth about marriage — a truth that calls us to both deny ourselves and delight in God's gift of our wives.

Whether you're preparing for marriage or already in the fight to keep it strong, this session is about clarity, courage, and hope — learning what it really means to lead like Christ in a world that's forgotten how.

10:15 Break

10:30 - Testimony of how God changed my life - Calvin Weaver, Pennsylvania

At some point in life, we all have carried the weight of a past we believe defines us. "This is just how I'll always be. Living a life of moral purity is impossible for me." This topic is my personal testimony of how God, through Christ, changed my heart, proving that a transformed life is possible for every single one of us, no matter what our past looks like.

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1:00 Q & A - 5 Man Panel

2:00 Break

2:15 Assigned Testimony

3:00 - Thirsting After Righteousness - Lee Zimmerman, Pennsylvania

As you prepare to leave the conference, what are you thirsting after? It's common to feel refreshed and motivated to try harder in your own battle for purity but do you really desire righteousness or is it really an easy life without the consequences of sin that you are desiring. This message is a call to check our hearts and be honest with what we are really thirsting after.

3:30 Dismissal