

THE SEVEN POINTS OF VALOR

OVERVIEW



The founder of Christian Service Brigade, **Joe Coughlin**, challenged the young men he disciplined to passionately allow God's Spirit to grow seven key Christian character qualities. These became known as the **Seven Points of Valor**. They are still needed in boys' lives. They provide definition to what it is to be a godly man. One could make a case for other qualities, but these stand out for true manhood.

HONOR

The man of honor is a man whose word is true. This includes actions that demonstrate personal integrity, fulfilling responsibilities, and working well as a team. **Eph. 4:25**

COURAGE

The man of courage is one who steps forward in faith to do what needs doing. This includes actions that demonstrate servant leadership, boldness in evangelism/testimony, and moving out of one's comfort zones. **Joshua 1:9**

CHIVALRY

A chivalrous man is strong on behalf of those weaker than himself. This includes actions that demonstrate relating well to others, generosity, service, and especially care for women/girls and those in need (poverty, homelessness, fatherless). **Phil. 2:3-4**

PURITY

The man who is pure is clean in thought, word and action. This includes actions that demonstrate personal holiness (God's character being our character) and care of our physical body. **Ps. 119: 9 & 11**

LOYALTY

The man who is loyal is one who is faithful to those he owes his affections and allegiance. This includes actions relating to following Jesus, faithful to one's wife and children, allegiance to one's church, devotion to one's workplace, and service to one's country. **1 Cor. 15:58**

OBEDIENCE

The obedient man is one who follows the commands of God's Word and complies with the wishes of those in authority over him. This includes actions that demonstrate spiritual disciplines/habits and living out our faith as God has revealed in Scripture. **Ps. 119:33**

DEDICATION

A man of dedication is one who has committed wholeheartedly to being transformed by the Lord Jesus Christ. This includes actions that indicate a commitment and full surrender to God and finding his place in the Kingdom (use of his spiritual gifts, ministry in the church, and servant-leadership in the home). **Rom. 12:1-2**