

Band of Brothers

Washington D.C. Edition
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Are you ready for some Football?!

Absolutely nothing like watching your team play live at an opposing team's stadium! Where else have you seen the Lions play on the road?

We have 15 seats secured in upper deck section 424 row 21 and 22 with seats in groupings of

8 and 7. The best price we could secure in large groupings were \$110/ticket

Bob, myself and our boys couldn't be more excited that you are coming into town!



Facts about the

Lions and the Redskins:

1938 - 2010

- They have played 37 times
- Lions record 7-30
- Detroit has one the last two games
- Last game 10/31/10; Lions 37, Skins 25
- 1968 - 1995 18 game Skins win streak
- FedEx Field seats 85,000 (largest NFL venue)
- Ford Field - 65,000 (Dallas - 80,000)

- NFL Fan Value Experience rated FedEx field 28th out of 31 NFL Stadiums (Ford Field = 25)
- Attendance 2012 - #1 Dallas @ 708k; #3 Washington @ 637k; #22 Detroit @ 510k; #32 Oakland @ 434k.
- Team Value: #1 Dallas @ \$2.3 Billion; #3 Skins @ \$1.7 Billion; #28 Lions @ \$900 M



Facts about D.C. and where we live in Northern VA

Washington D.C. was
Named after George
Washington and
Christopher Columbus

A. Wash D.C. Demographics

City population: 600,000

Metro population: 5.3 million

Racial breakdown: 50% black, 38%
white, 9% Latino, 3% Asian

B & C. This is where Bob and I Live

We live 25 miles to the east of the
District...about the same distance as
Rochester is to downtown Detroit.

We are located in Loudoun
County...population of around
350,000 people (compared to around
1,500,000 for Oakland County).
Land-wise...Loudoun is around half
Oakland County's size at 450 square
miles.

Loudoun County's population has
grown around 85% since the 2000
census...85%! That is crazy and it is
still going on. 1 or 3 new schools go
up every year which results in
"districting" battles and kids changing
schools a lot.

Finally...Loudoun County has the
highest median household income of
any county in the U.S.

Translation...there are a lot of dual
income highly educated family living
on the the government cheese

Are you ready to visit the Nation's Capital?

So much to see and do in just one day

We will for sure touch a few of the "biggies"...the Lincoln
Memorial, Vietnam and World War II Memorials and then
whatever else the group decides. We'll have around 5 hours in
the District. Lunch will be somewhere in Georgetown (just north
of the White House).



Itinerary

Friday

9:30am

Pickup at Airport

10:30 - 3:30

Hangin' in DC

Lunch in Georgetown

4:30 - 6:30

Checkin' at the Darnell
B&B

6:30 - 12:00

Fellowship, BBQ and
bon fire at Palace de
Kim.

Pick up Wilson at
airport at 7pm

Saturday

6:30 - 9:00

Miscellaneous activities
including biking,
running, sleeping in, etc.
Coffee, muffins, fruit
available.

9:30 - 10:30

Chick-Fil-A chicken
biscuit breakfast
(brought in)

10:30 - 4:30

Competitions!

4:30 - 6:30

Freshen up

6:30 - 12:00

Fellowship, BBQ and
bon fire at Darnell B&B

Sunday

6:30 - 9:00

Get up at your leisure
Home made breakfast

9:30 - 11:00

Drive to stadium

11:00 - 12:30

Tailgate

1:00 - 4:30

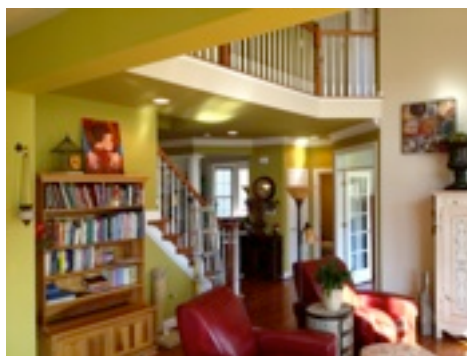
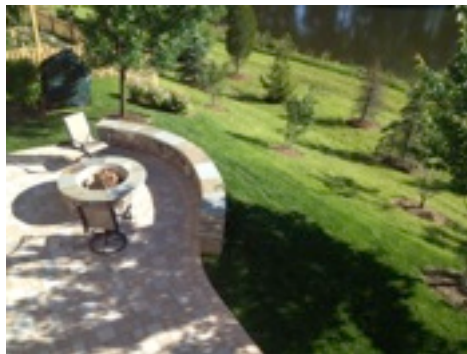
Game time!

5:30 - 7:00

Drive back to B&B

7:00 - 11:00

Hang out
Pizza for dinner



PACK LIGHT!!!

Everyone will have their own
bed, fresh towels and linens +
soaps and shampoos.

Walking attire on Friday;
Hoops/athletic attire/swim suit
on Saturday + hang out
clothes; Lions gear on Sunday

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Saturday Fellowship

See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

Ephesians 5:15-16

Re-create

to give new life or freshness to
What gives you true energy and freshness?

Are you spending time on those activities?

Do you have margin in your life to focus on the Lord and become a spiritual leader? If no, why not?

Re-calibrate

to plan carefully so as to have a precise use, application, appeal, etc.

Are you off target? How do you know?

What is your focus right now?

What fruits are you bearing?

What have you learned on your spiritual journey this year?

How do you re-calibrate?

Who is the person you intend to be?

The enemy of the better is the good.

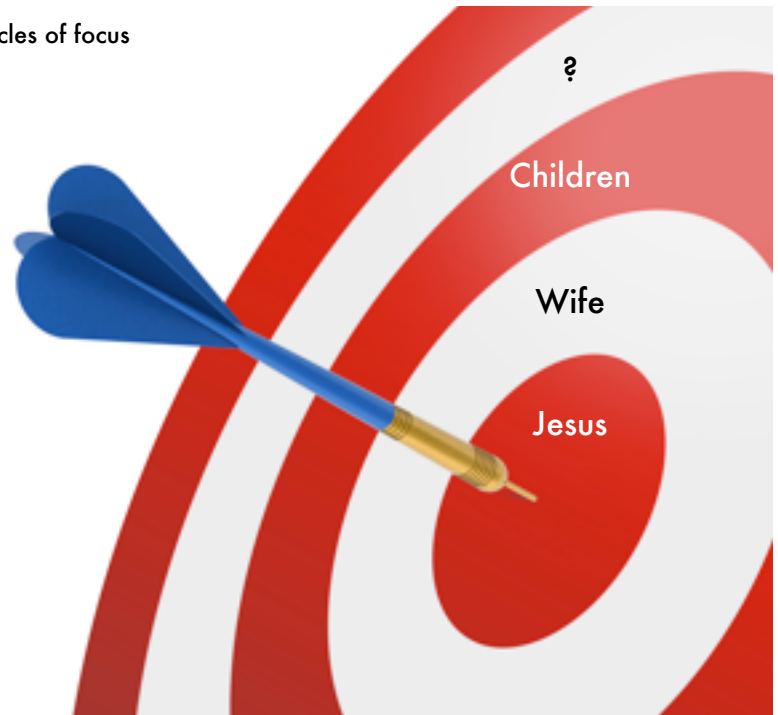
Re-commit

to carry into action deliberately
What is your plan?

Will you recommit?

LEAD BY EXAMPLE!

Concentric Circles of focus



The Spiritual Leader

“But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your forefathers served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.” Joshua 24:15

What does it mean to be the spiritual leader of my home? Do I have to reach a certain level of spiritual maturity before I qualify? What if my wife is more spiritual than I am? Shouldn't she be the spiritual leader? Spiritual leadership is determined by position, not knowledge. God places a man in the role of spiritual leader to lead his wife and children in faith.

Our wives and children may know more of the Bible, but the Lord still holds us responsible for their spiritual well being. So as husbands and fathers, we have to ask ourselves, “What are we doing to lead our family spiritually?” This non-optional assignment from Almighty God forces us into a faith-based behavior. We want to model daily time in Bible reading and prayer. Spiritual leaders show the way in knowing God.

“The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God—he and his whole family” (Acts 16:34).

Spiritual leadership does not require a graduate degree in theology, but it does require a degree of planning and preparation. Spiritual leaders create a prayerful plan of intentional action that exposes their families to faith opportunities. You spend time looking for houses of worship that meet the needs of your wife and child, much as you would seek out the right home or school that also meets their needs. Spiritual leadership seeks out a church.

“Let us go to his dwelling place; let us worship at his footstool” (Psalm 132:7).

Men who make it a big deal to lead their family spiritually make the most difference at home and in the community. Your investment in family Bible study, your example of faith under fire, and your Christ like character are living testaments to the truth of God.

Talk about the Lord when you linger in traffic with your children, pray with them when they are fearful and upset, hold your wife's hand and listen to her heart, sign up for the next marriage retreat, and serve others unselfishly. You can't control the culture, but you and your house can serve the Lord. Spiritual leaders lead their family to love God.

“For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything” (Ephesians 5:23-24).

How can I take responsibility to lead my family spiritually? How can I leave a legacy for the Lord?

Related Readings: [2 Samuel 12:20](#); [Psalm 100:4](#); [Acts 18:7](#); [2 Timothy 1:16](#)