

Operator's Manual
"The King Is Raising an Army" - Jim Burgen
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Group Creed

We come together as a Group with the goal of Spiritual Formation; encouraging one another to become the same kind of person that Jesus is, so that we can live out every part of our lives inside of His Kingdom.

Bible References: Malachi 4:4-6, Deuteronomy 6:4-9, Luke 1:16-17 and 3:7-8, 15-17, Ephesians 5:21-33 and 6:4, and 1 Kings 2:1-4

Community:

1. If you were baptized or crossed the Thin Red Line, can you share your experience?
2. With the end of the "Operator's Manual" series, what has been your greatest takeaway?

Core:

1. **Read Malachi 4:4-6** and **Deuteronomy 6:4-9**. What do you think it looks like when the hearts of the fathers are turned to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers? What do you think are some good, practical steps to teaching your children this way?
2. **Read Ephesians 5:21-33**. Looking at this well-known section of the Bible:
 - What does it look like to "submit to one another out of reverence" in marriage?
 - What do you think are some of the best ways a husband can show his love for his wife as the head (the one responsible for providing all that's needed in his kingdom)?
3. **Read Ephesians 6:4**. Jim talked about how fathers have a unique and influential role in the lives of their children—for better or worse. What are some of the ways you've seen the "better or worse" played out in your life or the lives of others?
4. Jim said that God's will is that men should be whole and complete, lacking nothing, and that all the parts of their lives (heart, soul, mind, and strength) should work together under the command of His Spirit. What do you think are some of the biggest barriers getting in the way of men living this out?

Challenge:

This week, try to encourage the men in your life. If you're in need of some good, strong men to do life together, make the effort to find a group at: flatironschurch.com/groups