

# **Iron Men**

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I. Introduction.

II. If we are to be men of iron, we must realize that we are at war.

A. Iron men are under attack. (Ephesians 6:11-12)

B. We must recognize what is going on, what we should do about it and how we are going to go at it. (2 Corinthians 10:4-5)

C. Our marching orders are to attack.

D. We recruit by prayer and example. (Matthew 9:36-38)

III. The man of iron is committed to accomplishing the objective.

A. God's objective is to get people saved. This is Jesus' objective. This is our objective. (1 Timothy 2:4; 2 Peter 3:9; Luke 19:10; 1 Timothy 1:15; John 16; Acts 1:8; Romans 8:29; Ephesians 4:13; John 4:32)

B. Adversity is part of God's training program. (John 16:33; 2 Timothy 3:12)

IV. The man of iron is a man of steady perseverance.

V. Men of iron are around men of iron and reproduce in kind. (Proverbs 27:17; 13:20; 1 Corinthians 15:33)

VI. Everyone needs a mentor. (1 Corinthians 11:1; Philippians 4:9; Psalm 142:2)

VII. Everyone needs a defender and someone to mentor. Do not just look for the sharp ones. (Isaiah 62; Zechariah 4:10)

VIII. Things necessary in a life in order for a man to be a disciple maker.

A. A working knowledge of the Bible. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

B. A love for Jesus.

C. Ministry skills.

D. Adaptability.

E. Christian character.

F. Faith.

G. Vision: of God himself, of God's objective and from God for your own life. (Philippians 3:10)

**Application questions:**

1. Why is it necessary to recognize the battle? What is the nature of this battle?

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2. How can we foster faith to make men of iron?

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3. What characteristic of the man of iron will you devote yourself to growing in? How will you go about this? Explain.

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