

Men We Don't Need

Introduction. The actions of men on the world are profound, so when we look in God's record of history we can observe a lot of bad men. Jeremiah looked for a man, but could not find one suitable for God's purposes (5:1). Men, we have the ability to rule our worlds, so this lesson will look at five men who show what we don't need in our homes, churches, and society.

I. Demas

- A. 2 Timothy 4:10.
- B. Men who love the world (Hebrews 6:6; 1 John 2:19).

II. The Pharisees

- A. Luke 18:9-14.
- B. Men who are self-righteous (Luke 5:30; 2 Corinthians 10:17-18).

III. Diotrephes

- A. 3 John 9-10.
- B. Men who are dictators (Romans 12:16; Philippians 2:3-5).

IV. Cain

- A. Genesis 4:5.
- B. Men who are given to wrath (Proverbs 19:19; 27:3; James 1:19-20).

V. Felix

- A. Acts 24:25.
- B. Men who procrastinate (Acts 17:32; 2 Corinthians 6:1-2).

Conclusion. The course of the world largely depends on the caliber of men who occupy it. We don't need men who bring the people around them down. We need men who elevate and encourage their homes, churches, and society.