

# BRADLEY RAPIER

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*“The beginning of wisdom is this:  
Get wisdom.” - Proverbs 4:7*

## **How to be your authentic self.**

*Bradley described two key concepts:  
The “Circle” is the invitation to step into who  
God designed you to be; the “Groove” is the  
guide (Holy Spirit) who leads you.*

### **Psalm 139:14**

I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;  
your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

### **Ephesians 2:10**

For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do  
good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

✓ **How has God uniquely wired and gifted you?**

## **How to be a Christian in a non-Christian culture.**

*Bradley shared a story about being the ONLY  
believer on the set of a Hollywood production,  
but he was faithful to his convictions*

*by showing CURIOSITY and CARE  
to those around him.*

**Matthew 5:14-15**

Jesus said, "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house."

✓ **What are some ways that you can be a light to those around you?**

## **How to share your faith in a natural way.**

*Bradley mentioned two ways that he shares his faith in a natural way: through genuinely connecting with others and being joyful.*

**Philippians 4:4-5**

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!  
Let your gentleness be evident to all.

✓ **Why is joy such an important component in sharing your faith with others?**

**Philippians 2:4**

Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.

✓ **What are some ways that you can practice curiosity with others?**

## **How to be in community with others.**

*Bradley talked about how real relationships must move beyond the transactional (if we want them to be TRANSFORMATIONAL).*

### **Ecclesiastes 4:12**

A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken.

- ✓ **How can you cultivate friendships that go deeper than “surface level?”**
  
- ✓ **Who do you know that needs an invitation to the MANUP Table?**

## **How to be fully present and engaged in the moment.**

*Bradley spoke about the power of leaning in, serving others, and being fully available to the people around him.*

- ✓ **What are some of the things that distract you from being fully present with the people around you?**

### **Galatians 6:2**

Share each other's burdens, and in this way obey the law of Christ.

## How to live in the Father's approval.

*Bradley said, "Often as men, our value is measured by our results but in the "Circle," you have nothing to prove."*

- ✓ **What do you do when you find yourself in a season of seeking others' approval?**

**Psalm 147:11**

The Lord delights in those who fear him,  
who put their hope in his unfailing love.

## How to be a wise guy.

*Bradley says that being a "wise guy" is recognizing that the true source of wisdom is from God and not ourselves.*

**Proverbs 2:6**

For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth  
come knowledge and understanding.

- ✓ **What is one area in your life that you need God's wisdom right now?**

## Final Scripture.

**Ephesians 2:8**

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God.