

MEN OF THE REPUBLIC FIELD RESOURCE

# The Charge Kit

A role-based field guide for gathering men, speaking The Charge, and turning conviction into obedience.

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## ● Principles

Scripture and  
Republic ideas

## ● Journey

ordered stages of  
formation

## ● The Charge

roles and  
brotherhood

## ● Practice

weekly obedience

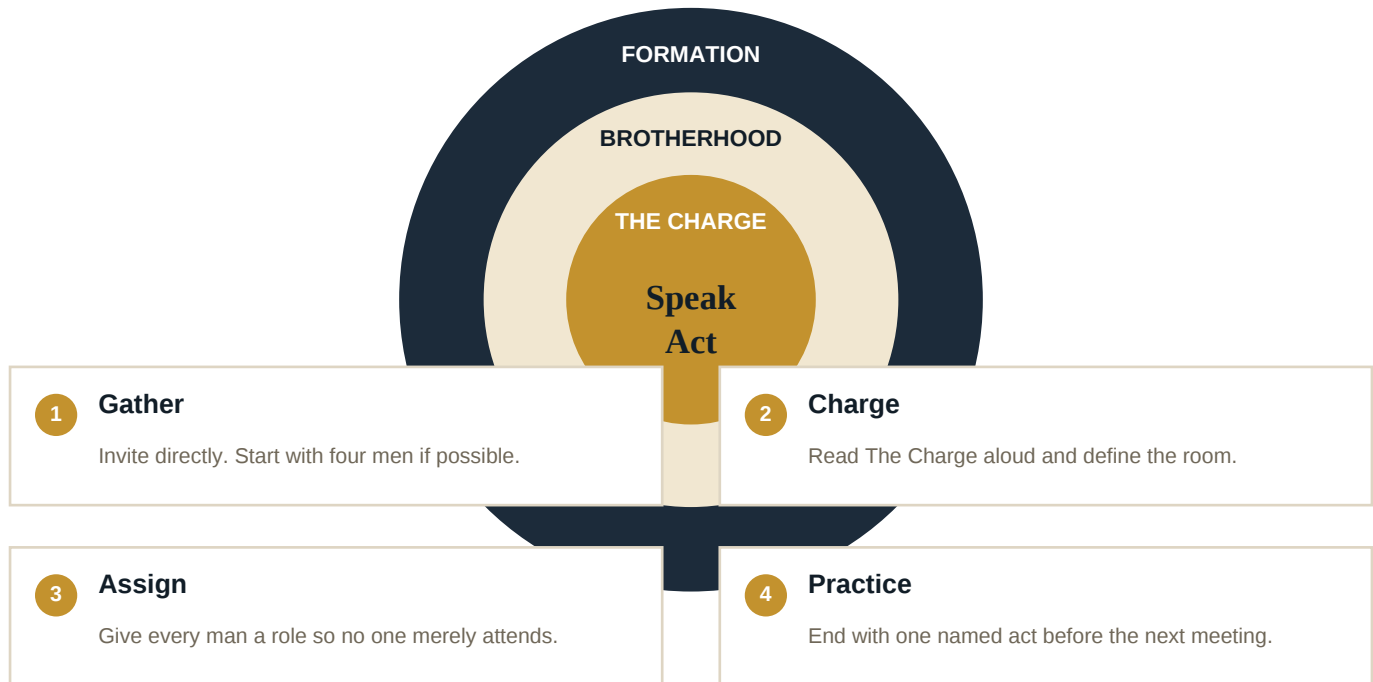
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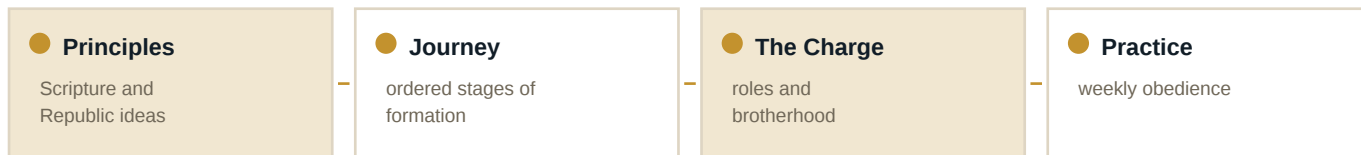
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## The Operating Map

# How The Charge Kit Works

Principles become a journey. The journey becomes brotherhood. Brotherhood becomes obedience.





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## The Purpose

The Charge is a small brotherhood of Christian men who move from agreement to obedience through Scripture, truthful accountability, deliberate roles, and concrete weekly action.

The books give the principles. The Journey gives the assignments. The Charge gives the brotherhood.

## Start With Four Men

Begin with four men if possible. Fewer can work. More than eight becomes harder to keep honest and specific.

Do not announce vaguely. Invite directly.

Use this invitation:

*I am gathering a few Christian men for The Charge. This is not a book club or a hangout. We will read Scripture, tell the truth, take responsibility, and act each week. I think you should be at the table.*

## The First Meeting

### LENGTH

60-75 minutes.

- Open in prayer.
- Read Proverbs 16:32 and Galatians 5:16-25.
- Each man answers: Where did I govern myself this week, and where did I drift?
- Read The Charge aloud.
- Assign provisional roles.
- Each man names one act of obedience before the next meeting.
- Pray specifically for each man.

## **The Charge**

We are men learning to govern ourselves under God, strengthen our homes, stand with brothers, serve our neighbors, and preserve what is good for the next generation.

We will not confuse agreement with formation. We will not hide behind vague confession. We will not replace the local church. We will tell the truth, carry responsibility, and take the next faithful step.

# The Eight Roles

Every man carries a distinct form of responsibility. Rotate roles as men mature, but do not let the room become passive.

## Initiator

### I GATHER.

The Initiator invites, starts, reminds, and refuses drift.

#### SHADOW

control, impatience, or making the group dependent on his energy.

## Steward

### I ORDER.

The Steward protects time, place, rhythm, communication, and follow-through.

#### SHADOW

hiding behind logistics while avoiding honesty.

## Watchman

### I NOTICE.

The Watchman pays attention to drift, danger, compromise, isolation, and discouragement.

#### SHADOW

suspicion, harshness, or correction without love.

## Exhorter

### I STRENGTHEN.

The Exhorter speaks courage, hope, and clear challenge when men shrink back.

#### SHADOW

hype without tenderness or substance.

## The Eight Roles, Continued

### Sage

#### I INTERPRET.

The Sage brings Scripture, wisdom, history, perspective, and discernment.

#### SHADOW

theory without obedience.

### Confessor

#### I TELL THE TRUTH.

The Confessor goes first in honest repentance and clean vulnerability.

#### SHADOW

confession without change.

### Servant

#### I ACT.

The Servant moves the group from talk into practical help, service, and sacrifice.

#### SHADOW

over-functioning and resenting slower men.

### Witness

#### I SEND.

The Witness keeps the group outward-facing toward church, neighbor, hospitality, evangelism, and public faithfulness.

#### SHADOW

mission without formation.

## Weekly Rhythm

- Self-government check-in: 10 minutes
- Scripture and principle: 15 minutes
- Brotherhood question: 20 minutes
- Role activation: 15 minutes
- Commitments and prayer: 15 minutes

## The Brotherhood Question

Use one question each week. Do not answer abstractly.

- What disorder am I tolerating?
- Where did I choose comfort over courage?
- What responsibility have I avoided because no one forced me to take it?
- What does my household need from me this week?
- Who knows enough truth about me to strengthen me?
- Who is stronger because I showed up?

## Twelve-Week Charge Path

- Summoned: Why men drift
- Self-government: The first man you lead
- Inner life: What willpower cannot produce
- Truth: What you are hiding
- Household: What your home is learning from you
- Brotherhood: Stop walking unknown
- Courage: The hard conversation
- Service: Where dependable help is needed
- Role review: How each man carries weight
- Repair: One apology, restitution, or correction
- Legacy: What remains after you
- Commission: What each man must now build, guard, or multiply

## First Assignment

Before the next meeting, each man must complete this:

Name one private disorder you have excused. Bring it honestly before God. Write one concrete act of obedience for tomorrow. Tell one trusted brother if secrecy has helped it survive.

## Leader Boundary

The Charge should strengthen local church membership, not replace it. Serious sin, danger, abuse, addiction, marital crisis, or spiritual confusion should be brought to appropriate pastors, counselors, civil authorities, or qualified help.