

About Dr. John Tolson

Dr. John Tolson's focus in life is to get a winsome presentation of The Good News of Jesus to Every Man In America, and he pursues that calling with fierce determination and unparalleled tenacity. For more than 40 years, John has spiritually mentored hundreds of thousands of adults, students, executive, athletes and celebrities. He walks alongside them as he models how to live the Christian life in the good times and bad, on good days and those filled with sadness, and on all the days in-between. John understands that people cannot live the Christian lifestyle without someone showing them how.

In addition to discipling people individually, John has reached about one million men through a ministry he founded called *The Gathering* and he started one of the first team chaplain programs in the NBA (his personal record is 127 straight free throws!). John has served several professional sport teams including the Houston Rockets, Houston Astros, Houston Oilers (now Houston Texans), Orlando Magic and most recently the Dallas Cowboys while also being called upon by major corporations to keynote conferences and seminars. Additionally, John encourages men and women through a weekly video message called #RedGlassesTalk.

To date, John has published two books, namely *Take a Knee*, which is a motivational book based upon the locker room messages he gave to the Dallas Cowboys, and *The Four Priorities*, a wonderful tool for disciple-making and challenging men and women to mature in their faith.

On a personal note, John has been married to Punky Leonard Tolson since 2001, he is the father of two grown children with his late wife Ruth Anne and he has three adorable grandchildren. Dr. Tolson received his Master of Divinity from Columbia Seminary and his Doctorate of Ministry from Fuller Theological Seminary. He also studied with Dr. Francis Schaeffer in Switzerland.

