

# Father's Day Basics



Man, created in the image of God, set in the home as its head and ruler, can be a tremendous example for his wife, children, and all mankind. As he governs his home judiciously, kindly and scripturally, he is truly giving to God a language the people can understand. He is painting a picture that all can see; he is creating footsteps in which a little one can walk; he is motivating ambition on the part of those who come behind; he is teaching a lesson on the Christian home by his example.

The father in the home should be an example of manhood.

The father in the home should be an example to his children as a loving, kind parent and mate. His language, his appearance, his courtesy, his purity of life will all be very evident to the little child who follows after him. These characteristics will teach greater lessons than can the teachers in the classroom.

The father should be the kind of man he would want his son to be, because, truly, in his own life he is picturing the kind of man his son is likely to be.

Man's spiritual example before his children is the greatest example of all.

- Dale Larson, "The Christian Home" (Chester bulletin, June 17, 1984)

## The Business Of Being A Father

The business of being a father takes time and strength, preparation and purpose; it means hours of careful thought and constructive work with precious living materials. The opportunities and privileges of fatherhood require a lifetime of effort, but its results may be tremendous and its possibilities are unlimited.

- The Christian Science Monitor -

# Happy Father's Day!



"Hear, ye children, the instruction of a father ... " - Proverbs 4:1

### News & Notes

**BAPTISM:** Brian Hayhurst, 44 Berkshire Lane, Chester, WV 26034. Phone: 304-387-3568.

**MOVING TO FLORIDA:** Virginia Ferrell will be leaving this week to be with her son and daughter-in-law, Jim & Beverly Pinney. We wish Virginia, Jim and Bev, God's richest blessings.

**CARE & SHARE BEARS:** Ladies are invited to gather each Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. to help prepare stuffed bears for children.

**PANTRY:** Kidney beans.

**CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:** Helena Rice (age 6) in Children's Hospital (Room 523) in Pittsburgh who had surgery for a ruptured brain aneurysm. Remember this little girl and her family. Also remember all those with health concerns listed below.

**THOSE WITH HEALTH CONCERNS:** At Home: Crystal Baker, Herb & Beulah Rice (Herb was injured in an auto accident), Marlene Reynolds, Noni Scadden, Tim Adkins, Ilene Rayl, Docie Moore, Jack Board, Betty Carlin, Ruth Brewer, Harry & Imogene Nice. **FOX NURSING HOME:** Ruby Eddy. **Remember others confined to their homes and in nursing homes. Check the bulletin board.**

## FAMILY WORSHIP

It is important for families to worship together. The God who created each and ordained marriage knew the importance of family worship. To a woman who had miserably failed in her family life, Jesus said, "The hour cometh, and now is when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship Him." (John 4:23).

The Father does not need our worship to be a better being. One cannot improve on perfection, but the Father knew each of us needed to worship. The old adage, "A family that prays together stays together," is true. One just does not find those that are truly committed and serving God in the divorce courts.

Families should worship for three major reasons: (1) God commands it (Hebrews 10:25); (2) it helps us influence one another (Matthew 5:15); and (3) it enhances our spiritual and marital lives (Romans 12:1-2).

No family can be completely balanced when there is a major spoke left out of their wheel. Families are to grow physically, intellectually, socially, and spiritually (Luke 2:52). The family that does not worship is missing at least a quarter of this designed growth.

Do you want to offer a major blessing to your family? Here is a simple yet life-changing answer: Begin this week to worship God! We hope to see you in worship this week.

- Jerry Jenkins, Church of Christ, Birmingham, AL - via *Bulletin Digest*