Three Kinds of Fathers



- 1. Our heavenly Father, who is perfect.
- 2. Our earthly fathers, who are imperfect but vital.
- 3. Our spiritual fathers, who we need more men to be.

5. A father of the fatherless and a judge for the widows, Is God in His holy habitation.

Psalm 68:5

*All scripture are from NASB 1995



13 Just as a father has compassion on his children, So the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him. 14 For He Himself knows our frame; He is mindful that we are but dust.

Psalm 103:13-14

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort,.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4



4 who comforts us in all our affliction so that we will be able to comfort those who are in any affliction with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

1 See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of God; and such we are. For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.

1 John 3:1

5 and you have forgotten the exhortation which is addressed to you as sons, "MY SON, DO NOT REGARD LIGHTLY THE DISCIPLINE OF THE LORD, NOR FAINT WHEN YOU ARE REPROVED BY HIM; Hebrews 12:5-11

6 FOR THOSE WHOM THE LORD LOVES HE DISCIPLINES, AND HE SCOURGES EVERY SON WHOM HE RECEIVES."



7 It is for discipline that you endure; God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom his father does not discipline? Hebrews 12:5-11



8 But if you are without discipline, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate children and not sons.



9 Furthermore, we had earthly fathers to discipline us, and we respected them; shall we not much rather be subject to the Father of spirits, and live?



10 For they disciplined us for a short time as seemed best to them, but He disciplines us for our good, so that we may share His holiness.



11 All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness.

8 Hear, my son, your father's instruction And do not forsake your mother's teaching;

Proverbs 1:8



20 My son, observe the commandment of your father And do not forsake the teaching of your mother; 21 Bind them continually on your heart; Tie them around your neck. Proverbs 6:20-23

22 When you walk about, they will guide you; When you sleep, they will watch over you; And when you awake, they will talk to you.

Proverbs 6:20-23



23 For the commandment is a lamp and the teaching is light; And reproofs for discipline are the way of life

Proverbs 6:20-23



18 Discipline your son while there is hope, And do not desire his death.

Proverbs 19:18



23 The fear of the Lord leads to life, So that one may sleep satisfied, untouched by evil.

Proverbs 19:23



7 A righteous man who walks in his integrity— How blessed are his sons after him.

Proverbs 20:7



15 The rod and reproof give wisdom, But a child who gets his own way brings shame to his mother.

Proverbs 29:15



17 Correct your son, and he will give you comfort; He will also delight your soul. Proverbs 29:17



24 He who withholds his rod hates his son, But he who loves him disciplines him diligently.

Proverbs 13:24



15 Foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child; The rod of discipline will remove it far from him.

Proverbs 22:15

12 Apply your heart to discipline And your ears to words of knowledge. 13 Do not hold back discipline from the child, Although you strike him with the rod, he will not die. 14 You shall strike him with the rod And rescue his soul from Sheol.

Proverbs 23 12-14

21 Fathers, do not exasperate your children, so that they will not lose heart.

Colossians 3:21



3 For I was very glad when brethren came and testified to your truth, that is, how you are walking in truth. 4 I have no greater joy than this, to hear of my children walking in the truth.

3 John 1:3-4

7 But we proved to be gentle among you, as a nursing mother tenderly cares for her own children.

11 just as you know how we were exhorting and encouraging and imploring each one of you as a father would his own children,

1 Thessalonians 2:7, 11

19 My children, with whom I am again in labor until Christ is formed in you— Galatians 4:19



10 I appeal to you for my child Onesimus, whom I have begotten in my imprisonment,

Philemon 1:10



22 But you know of his proven worth, that he served with me in the furtherance of the gospel like a child serving his father.

Philippians 2:22



14 I do not write these things to shame you, but to admonish you as my beloved children.



14 I do not write these things to shame you, but to admonish you as my beloved children.

1 Thessalonians 5:14



15 For if you were to have countless tutors in Christ, yet you would not have many fathers, for in Christ Jesus I became your father through the gospel.



16 Therefore I exhort you, be imitators of me.



17 For this reason I have sent to you Timothy, who is my beloved and faithful child in the Lord, and he will remind you of my ways which are in Christ, just as I teach everywhere in every church.

18 Now some have become arrogant, as though I were not coming to you.



19 But I will come to you soon, if the Lord wills, and I shall find out, not the words of those who are arrogant but their power.



20 For the kingdom of God does not consist in words but in power. 21 What do you desire? Shall I come to you with a rod, or with love and a spirit of gentleness?