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2020: THE YEAR OF 2020 VISION

Our Father

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We Are God's Children

Romans 8:14-16 Living Bible (TLB)

14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. 15 And so we should not be like cringing, fearful slaves, but **we should behave like God's very own children**, adopted into the bosom of his family, and calling to him, "Father, Father." 16 For his Holy Spirit speaks to us deep in our hearts and tells us that we really are God's children.

What System do you follow?

- **Kingdom of God System: God's way of living, doing and being in Christ.**
- **World System: Man's way of living, doing and being in self.**

We need to learn how to be a child of God

Proverbs 14:12 New King James Version (NKJV)

12 There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death.

Proverbs 3:11-12 New Living Translation (NLT)

11 **My child**, don't reject the Lord's discipline, and don't be upset when he corrects you. 12 For the Lord corrects those he loves, just as a father corrects a child in whom he delights.

Our Father Loves all of us!

John 3:16 Contemporary English Version (CEV)

16 **God loved the people of this world so much** that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who has faith in him will have eternal life and never really die.

John 3:16 New Living Translation (NLT)

16 “For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.

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Matthew 6:9-13 Amplified Bible (AMP)

9 “Pray, then, in this way: **Our Father**, who is in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. 10 **Your kingdom come, Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven.** 11 Give us this day our daily bread. 12 ‘And forgive us our debts, as we have forgiven our debtors [letting go of both the wrong and the resentment]. 13 ‘And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.]’

Our Father wants us to create a heavenly culture on earth

Matthew 16:19 Contemporary English Version (CEV)

19 I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven, and God in heaven will allow whatever you allow on earth. But he will not allow anything that you don't allow.

Dad's, to create a Heavenly Culture on earth it is vital that you make every effort to become actively involved with your heavenly father and share that experience in your child's life – whether you live in the same home as them or not. Here are some great ways to create healthy, positive engagement with your children

Speak Positively

- **Speak positively to, and about, their mother. It is so important to be on the same page as their mother about what you desire your role to be, and what that will look like. This is especially important in situations where the relationship is severed through divorce or separation. Be clear and respectful, emphasizing your desire to be an involved father to your children. Also, speak positively about her in front of your children! You may have your disagreements at times, but your child needs to know that you respect their mother. They are just as much her child as they are theirs! Speaking poorly of their mother will only damage your relationship with them.**

Create a Vision

- **Create a vision for fatherhood engagement. Twenty years from now, what do you hope your children say about you as a father? What do you hope they don't say? Answering these questions will help you clarify your sense of purpose as a dad and guide you in important decisions with your own children. How can you get there?**

Be The Bridge

- **Be the bridge between your own father and your children. Whether or not you look to your father (or mother) as a model for parenting, the legacy of our parents, for better and for worse, lives inside each of us. This is why it's important to explore and understand your family legacy, particularly your relationship with your father. How will you pass on the positive aspects of your relationship with your father to your own children? How will you avoid repeating the negative aspects of your relationship with your father?**

Dad and Child Time

- **Establish a ritual dad time. One way to spend positive time with your child regularly is to create a Ritual Dad Time. This is not meant to replace more frequent rituals like taking your kids to school or reading to them at bedtime. Get together as father/child at least once a month. Minimally for at least one to two hours and with only one child at a time (this may be difficult for larger families, but it is essential for building a one-on-one relationship). Choose an activity you both agree on. You may allow your child to choose or alternate who decides. We don't recommend executive decisions, except in cases of extreme resistance. Make sure you talk during your time together. Using "action talk" (i.e., shooting baskets or playing video games while talking) is great, but men also need to model face-to-face dialogue for children of all ages. You don't always need a distraction! Be consistent. The ritual does not have to be on the same day each month, but make sure it happens so your child can count on it. Try scheduling your next ritual time at the end of each time together!**

Work to know your children

- **Know your children. Every child craves the interest, attention, and presence of their primary caregivers. They need you to know who they are as unique individuals, not as vessels for our own grand plans or unrealized dreams. By becoming an expert about your children's lives – knowing what a certain look on their face means, the best way to get them to sleep, who their friends are, what they're doing in school, what causes them stress — you send a clear and powerful message that they are worthy of your time, interest and attention.**

Be known by your children

- **Be known by your children. Letting your children know more about you through storytelling is a great way to strengthen your bond. What were you like at your child's age? What mistakes did you make? How did you handle embarrassment? What were your friends' parents like? Not only do stories humanize you and give children a sense of where they come from, but they can also be an effective way to initiate meaningful dialogue with your child.**

Let them see Our Heavenly Father through their earthly Father

- **Read the Bible and Pray with your children. Let them know the authority that you walk in does not originate from you. There are many instances we tell our children about wrong or right but have no moral authority to stand on. Our children need to know from their father wrong and right is defined by our Heavenly Father. He is the ultimate Father of us all; and obeying our Heavenly Father will eradicate most if not all of our systemic social ills we face today!**