



## **DADS! "WHERE ARE YOU?"**

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Dads are instructed to nurture their children! Ephesians 6:4 Amplified Version "Fathers, do not irritate and provoke your children to anger- do not exasperate them to resentment- but rear them tenderly in the training and discipline and the counsel and admonition of the Lord."

Dads are to keep proper control in their homes. 1 Timothy 3:4 Amplified Version "He must rule his own household well, keeping his children under control, with true dignity, commanding their respect in every way and keeping them respectful."

What is the most destructive force in America today? Would you say it is Atom bombs (or Nuclear bombs) missiles, alcohol, drugs, or permissive sex?

No doubt we all have strong opinions concerning this issue! Certainly one of the strongest tolls in carrying out the destruction of our culture in America is the TV! Many folks view it as the final authority on whatever subject that is being presented, even if it is only one given on the many "Soaps".

I believe the most destructive force in America today is the distorted picture of manhood that is being presented to our young people and anyone else that is interested! Our men are either numb skulls, sexually perverted, or killers! This picture is in written form from newspapers to novels, but especially on TV!

While the E.R.A. movement is busy twisting womanhood into slavery, the media in general is reducing manhood into a monster no one can respect or live with!

The family and its' relationships in the home are one of the richest subjects in the Bible. Our all Wise God has much to say to Husbands and Wives and their parental duties, as well as to children. Consider the following Scriptures.

Eph.5:22 KJV "Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord."

Eph.5:25 KJV "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ loved the church, and gave himself for it."

1 Peter 3:7 KJV "Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honor unto the wife, as the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered."

1 Tim.3:11 KJV "Even so, must their wives be grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things."

Proverbs 31:27 LB "She watches carefully all that goes on throughout her household, and is never lazy."

Parents are to teach their children:

Deut.6:7 LB “You must teach them to your children and talk about them when you are at home or out for a walk; at bedtime and first thing in the morning!”

Parents are responsible to train their children according to God’s Word:

Proverbs 22:6 KJV “Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old he will not depart from it.”

Dads and Moms are to be an example to show the Father’s love!

Titus 2:1-5 LB “But as for you, speak up for the right living that goes along with true Christianity. Teach the older men to be serious and unruffled; they must be sensible, knowing and believing the truth and doing everything with love and patience. Teach the older women to be quiet and respectful in everything they do. They must not go around speaking evil of others and must not be heavy drinkers, but they should be teachers of goodness. These older women must train the younger women to live quietly, to love their husbands and their children, and to be sensible and clean minded, spending time in their own homes, being kind and obedient to their husbands, so that the Christian faith can’t be spoken against by those who know them.”

Proverbs 18:22 LB “The man who finds a wife finds a good thing; she is a blessing to him from the Lord.”

A child that lacks a strong male image, a good father/child relationship has a very hard time trusting God. “Abba Father”: Abba is an Aramaic word meaning father; the whole term is a loving term like “Papa Dear”. It was used by Christ in the garden of Gethsemane when speaking to His Father. (Mk14:36) This same term is used in an expressive sonship manner in Romans 8:15. “For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba Father.”

Notice the picture Paul paints concerning a father-Son relationship, and our Father-Son relationship to God in Gal.4:4-7....”But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth His Son, made of woman, made under the law. To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.”

The husband is the spiritual head of his home. He not only leads in prayer for mealtimes and for the family devotions, but he also spends time alone, praying for his family.

**“HOW ARE YOU DOING, DAD?”**

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## “MY FATHER’S LOVE”

By Mary Mayko

Ps.31:15a LB “But I am trusting you, O Lord. I said. “You alone are my God; my times are in your hands.”

**Our God is a loving God!** His Word reveals that fact to us over and over again! Our loving Father cares so much He has made provision for us to be with Him forever! John 3:16 is a verse many of us memorized as a child, but often not really understood until we are much older! In my own life, my early training and teaching were to be obeyed, whether I understood all the “whys” or not! I

can now see my discipline when I was a child was essentially teaching me to walk in faith, trusting that *my parents really knew best and had reasons for requiring my obedience that would bring future benefits!*

We all go through times in our lives when it seems our Heavenly Father is neglecting us, not really protecting us or understanding us! Think back to your childhood! A loving father often required much from us we thought was rather unfair at the time! Did you ever think at those particular moments that he was uncaring or unable to see your viewpoint clearly? How many times have people felt that way about our Heavenly Father! People sometimes felt God would not or could not help us because of some failure, real or imagined, on our part! *Careful!* That attitude can cause a root of bitterness to take hold of our mind and heart!

Perhaps your earthly father was kindhearted and always there for you. He was available to help you through hard times in your childhood. If so, you are extremely blessed, as many fathers today neglect the spiritual training and discipline of their children! If your dad was demanding and harsh, that may give you a wrong picture of our Heavenly Loving Father! The Bible assures us that God keeps His promises! *Even though He may lead us through difficult times and situations that will never negate His love for us!* Some of our most important lessons are gained during these times!

**He has a definite plan for our lives!** He knows exactly how long we have on earth and encourages us to trust Him in our daily walk with Him. Deut 30:20a LB “Choose to love the LORD your God and to obey Him and cling to Him, for He is your life and the length of your days.”

As we read His promises, we gain assurance of His control of our lives and His love for us. Psalm 16:11 KJV “Thou will show me the path of life: In Thy Presence is fullness of joy; at Thy right hand there are pleasures forever more,” His hand will guide us along the right pathways of life! Sometimes we question if we are on the right path, but when we stray off it, the Lord will bring us back to it! The very fact that He promises to always be with us is a reason for great joy! His right hand indicates a place of His favor that brings pleasure both for Him and for us!

***What about the times we really need a hiding place?*** We seek a place of safety in the face of danger! There are many enemies of our soul, whether it is people, circumstances or Satanic Forces and we need a place to run to for protection! What better place than the shadow of His hands! Isaiah 51:16a LB “I have put my words in your mouth and hidden you safe within my hand.” When we are weak and helpless, let Him cover us under the shadow of His hand!

**How could our loving Father ever forget us?** He has us carved or inscribed on the palms of His hands! Isaiah 49:16a KJV “Behold, I have graven (carved) thee upon the palms of My hands,” He loves us dearly and holds us close! When He raises His hand to touch His heart, we are there with Him! We are so much more precious to Him than we can ever imagine! Do we visualize His loving hands upon us even though we do not always understand His ways? It will help us through many a dark valley when we know we cannot be separated from His hands, His heart and His knowledge of us! How we need to trust Him!

**When we feel faint and fearful and overwhelmed by the unknown, God’s hand is there to strengthen us.** We know then, He will enable us to accomplish whatever tasks lies ahead of us. When we are strengthened spiritually, we are encouraged to go forth with His blessing!

Ezra 7:28 KJV “I was strengthened as the hand of the LORD was upon me.”

“IN HIS HANDS”

By Mary Mayko

Even before my birth, God saw and planned my life.  
He knew when I would have joy, as well as times of strife.  
So in Him, I have fully placed all my trust,  
Knowing it rains on the both the just and unjust!

I cried out in my troubles, but could not hear His voice!  
All of these heartaches are *surely not my choice!*  
He desires I release all my burdens into His hands,  
Then my life will be at peace as He fulfills His plans!

I may never know the reasons for all my pain,  
But surely the LORD has provided for my gain.  
My spiritual health grows according to His plans,  
And as for my life, I know I am safe in His hands!

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**MY “FINALS”**  
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“Come up hither, and I will show thee things which must be in the future.” Rev. 4:1 b

“For the LORD Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, with a voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the LORD in the air and so shall we ever be with the LORD. Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

But of the times and seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the LORD so cometh as a thief in the night. For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them as travail upon a woman with child; and they cannot escape. But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.” 1 Thessalonians 4:16 - 5:1-4

Recently I was talking with a young woman whose whole mind and spirit were caught up in “finals”. I had to laugh as I thought of the many times I was in the same spot! Beautiful Spring days were lost to books as I diligently studied for whatever nugget that instructor thought would make a great question!

**It is that time of year!!**  
**Promotion time!!**  
**Graduation time!!**

We have been there at some level of education and understood that in the last brief span of time, all our diligent work or lack of it will be revealed! May I suggest to you, the same process is going on with you and me in relationship to eternity!

Let’s look at the situation. We both know each of us is going to die, that is a sure thing.  
**Then what???**

The Holy Bible makes it clear, there is life after death. Most religions of the world speak of the after life. Hundreds of articles have been published about life after death experiences by people.

You say, 'Well, I don't believe in any of that!' Beloved, just because one does not believe something doesn't change the fact, it simply means one doesn't believe the fact!  
**But, the fact does not change!**

May you are one saying all that is for another day, 'I'm having too much fun partying. My lifestyle is in the fast lane with all the habits I enjoy!'

At death, all that is over! You will give it all up and you know there is no question about that! **ALL of it is over, then what??**

The Bible, as well as many other written documents by people, makes it clear, **there is a HEAVEN, and there is a HELL!**

### **THERE IS A HEAVEN!!**

Heaven, the place of everlasting bliss, with its' inhabitants being God (1 Kings 8:23, 30) Our LORD Jesus Christ (Heb.9:12, 24) The Holy Spirit (Psalm 139:7-8) The angels (Matthew 18:10) God's people! (Heb.12:22-23

There will be no corruption there! 1 Corinthians 15:42, 50. Nor will there be any wicked people in heaven! Revelation 22:15

Think of it! And the Word tells us more! There will be no death Luke 20:36, no weariness 2 Corinthians 5:1-10 no sorrow Revelation 7:17 no pain Revelation 21:4 no curse as we live under now Revelation 22:3 and no end to this place Matthew 25:46 and Revelation 22:5

There will be joy Luke 15: 7, 10 rest Revelation 14:13 and peace Luke 16:25. This is the reward Matthew 5:11-12 and the inheritance of God's people 1 Peter 1:4

**BUT!** It is for the righteous Matthew 25:34, 37. The changed (born again) 1 Corinthians 15:51 the over comers. Revelation 2:7, 10-11 and the obedient Revelation 22:4 and the holy Revelation 19:8.

Do you have an earnest desire for heaven? 2 Corinthians 5:2-8. Are you putting your treasure up there? Luke 15:33

### **There is a Hell!!**

Hell is described as a place of eternal torment. In Matt.25:41 is it described as an everlasting fire, a place of eternal punishment Matt 25:46 and outer darkness. Matt 8:12 It is also a place of everlasting destruction. 2Thes. 1:9 and a lake of fire Rev. 19:20 This place Hell was prepared for the devil and his angels Matt 25:41 for the wicked Rev.21:8 and the disobedient Rom.2:8-9 for the fallen angels 2 Pet.2:4 and for those who

reject the gospel Matt 10:14-15. At the very end of time, we are told the Beast and the False Prophet will go there. Rev.19:20 and the worshippers of the Beast Rev. 14:11

These inhabitants of Hell possess memory Luke 16:23-25 and cry for the release from it Luke 16:24.

God doesn't send anyone to Hell, an individual chooses to go- "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our LORD. Rom.6:23.

You see, we have "All sinned and come short of the glory of God" Rom.3:23. "There is none righteous, no not one". Rom.3:10

Beloved everyone will bow the knee and acknowledge God is God, either in this life while there is time, or on judgment day when it will be too late. "For it is written, as I live saith the LORD, every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess to God, so then will every one of us give account of himself to God." Rom 14:11-12

How can a person think, if he has denied Christ all his life, he will go to heaven? Of course, no one wants to think he is going to hell, really working to go to hell!! So he doesn't face reality.

But, there is reality!! In His own words, Jesus said; "Whosoever, therefore shall confess me before men, him also will I confess before my Father, which is in heaven. But, whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven." Matt 10:32-33

The provision for our eternal life with God in heaven has been made: "For God sent his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. He that believeth on Him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed the name of the only Begotten Son of God." John 3:17-18

I am sure, Reader, like most people, realize between world affairs, the state of our nation, strange weather, with severe natural disasters and wars in various parts of the world, the time of Christ's appearance is close!

**Whether we are called Home in the Rapture or in death, our Future is certain, we will be in either HEAVEN or HELL! What is your choice??**

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Note: Due to limited space, we could not print every Bible verse out, but every reference is given for your personal research. May God bless you as you walk with Him! (King James Version used)