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# God's Faithful Fathers

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VBS -

GOD'S FAITHFUL FATHERS

Gen. 17:1-9

Rom. 13:7

INT. Congratulations to Fathers! Your day! Our nation recognizes the importance of GOOD fathers. Bible mentions Fathers 1,051 times & suggests it is a GREAT thing to be a father.

We would have greater Fathers if all our boys were clearly taught what a real Father is: Dictionary: Male parent. Progenitor. A begett<sup>er</sup>. GR.: PATER=a nourisher, protector, upholder.

Ill. Another def. A father is the fellow who gives his daughter to a young man who obviously isn't good enough for her; so there will be grandchildren who are SMARTER than anyone else's in the county.

Ill. Another: Dad is the fellow who spends  $\frac{1}{2}$  his time worrying about HOW his kids will turn out; and the other half wondering when they will COME IN.

I. TODAY'S NATIONAL SITUATION.

A. Many many great and dedicated fathers in US.

Ill. 8 yr. old dying of leukemia. "Daddy, am I going to die?" "Why son, are you afraid to die?" "No sir, not if God is like U! (Knt. I. p. 271.)

B. Some fathers are rejecting the responsible role of Father.

Ill. Recent Welfare Conference report: 12 million men have deserted families. Over  $\frac{1}{2}$  million in N. Y. City alone. Houston: Pop. 1 million +. Has 50,000 desertions year!

C. Not all bad: Ill. Father and 4 yr. old went to cemetery where had buried a little brother, which died at birth. Son: "Daddy, when you die and go to Heaven will you take me with U?" Father: "Why? son." "Oh, just cause I want to be with you." Give up earth for daddy!!!

D. Other fathers are <sup>at</sup> home, but neglect their home-duties to the wife and children. Quote from recent DRUG INSTITUTE seminar in Chicago. Searching for ways to prevent drug abuse. CONCLUSION: "Parents are TOO PERMISSIVE and they refuse to accept the mature responsibilities of home leadership. It seems that this generation of parents has not PROVIDED really clearly defined own identity & purpose."

REST OF THE LESSON:

II. FATHERS WHO DID KNOW THEIR IDENTITY AND KNEW THEIR PURPOSE AND DISCHARGED THEIR GOD-GIVEN RESPONSIBILITIES.

(All men would do well to copy their examples.)

A. FATHER NOAH:

1. Would have entered Ark with or without wife and sons. Gen. 6:8.
2. Keenly balanced father-enough to lead his wife, sons & inlaws in foolish-looking project. Never BEEN a flood before!! (World never come to an end before either)
3. Father, like Jesus, Paul, Apostles, Abraham, John Baptist etc. stood against the whole world! How many NOAHS HERE !??
4. Received Great-Tribute in God's Word.  
\* Heb. 11:6-7. Did 6 great things!!

B. NAMELESS FATHER IN MARK 9:14-27.

1. Father brought son to Dr. Took time. V.17. What matter with mother, neighbors or relatives. Father LOVED his boy!
2. Fathers still need to bring their sons & daughters to JESUS for healing of the heart, mind and soul (even before they get in desperate trouble.) B. S. & church.  
Ill. Deplore this story: Little boy at age seven asked mother, "Momma, when will I be big enough, like daddy, to stay home LIKE DADDY? *from Bible School?*"
- Ill. WISDOM: "A boy does what his father SAYS until he is about 14; after that he DOES like his daddy DOES!"

3. This father had a GREAT FAITH in Jesus.  
\* V. 23-24. Saw him on his KNEES TO CHRIS Matthew 17:14. Humbled before God.  
Heard his plead. V. 15. Saw daddy weep!  
Qualified as Great Father. I Pet. 5:6- 7.

INV.

No home is what GOD ordained it to be until ALL members are Christians!!!  
What it takes to save mothers, it takes also to save Daddys, & children.  
Mk. 16:15-16. Acts 2:38.

ILL Delinquent Christian like tree branch--cut off from life source. Dries & dies! Acts 8:22.

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Eph 6:3  
How?