

For Our Information

Joyce Venable has been running a fever and not feeling well this past week. She is currently being treated for an infection.

Carolynn Richmond is feeling tired following recent treatments

Wil & Barbara Atwood are still out of town this weekend.

Dan's uncle, Jerry Rickard, passed away early last Wednesday morning.

Keep our brothers & sisters in mind

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We want opportunities to speak with others about our work in the Lord's Kingdom.

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We seek only to serve God according to His Will!

what fathers do!

If earthly fathers realize the need to help their children along the way, how much more does our Heaven Father know this (Matthew 7:9-11). And He does it! The Scriptures abound with references to the fact that God is there, watching, helping. He promised that "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee" (Hebrews 13:5). And, so, we can say with Paul, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me" (Philippians 4:13).

Fathers -- we really need them. And, in an even greater way, we truly need the mercy and grace of our Heavenly Father to make up the difference between what we are and what we ought to be. Praise Him!

(We do well when we pattern all parts of our life after God, our Heavenly Father. DLH)

Seeking His Righteousness

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Fatherliness

Gary Henry

"Becoming a father is easy enough, but being one can be rough"

(Wilhelm Busch).

Just as it's possible to be a mother without being motherly, it's possible to be a father without being fatherly. Fatherliness is a set of attitudes and actions that most men find themselves inclined toward, but this inclination has to be accepted, disciplined, and put to good use. Being a good father is not something that happens automatically. It's a matter of choice.

Frankly, the present age is a tough age in which to be a father. No longer

Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

Ephesians 6:4



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are there any social norms that tell a father what to do. Many fathers are disoriented and discouraged. And not only that, now that it's somewhat easier for a mother to survive economically without the assistance of a husband, the role of the father in a family is coming to be thought of as unessential, if not altogether undesirable.

But if it's a difficult time, that doesn't mean it's a time for complaining. When the going gets tough, the tough get going, as we like to say. We need to accept responsibility for the fact that, to a large extent, we men have created the present situation by our failures in the past, and rather than resent today's challenge, we need to rise to meet it. As painful as growth can sometimes be, whatever provokes us in that direction should be seen as a good thing, not a bad one.

Words like "responsibility" and "accountability" are of key importance. In the past, we have wanted the benefits of fatherhood without the responsibilities of fatherliness. We've checked into and out of our families' lives so often that it's no wonder our children have questioned whether we loved them dependably. In our "manly" strength, we've spoken so thoughtlessly that any objective observer might question whether we're familiar with the word "consequences."

But words and deeds do have consequences, and we need to take responsibility for them. Yes, our wives and our children are often forgiving, and they'll probably survive our carelessness. But why can't we live so that some really positive consequences are set

Store In My Heart

2Peter 3:10

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.

Our time here on earth is short, at best, and no matter how long our life may be we must remain vigilant for the Lord's return. To be with our God for eternity we must live each moment of our life as if Jesus will return right now.

Failure to be ready when He returns will leave us with no means to enter Heaven. When the door to the feast opens we must be clothed ready to enter else we will miss our opportunity and be lost for all eternity.

in motion? Why can't we give our children the gift of honest-to-goodness fatherliness?

"What a father says to his children is not heard by the world, but it will be heard by posterity"

(Jean Paul Richter).

What Fathers Do

Greg Gwin

Every father has done it. It almost certainly occurred when his child was taking his/her first steps. It probably happened when his child was learning to ride a bicycle or attempting to hit a ball with a bat. And, as the child grew older, there were new activities to tackle -- at school, on the first job, when it was time to go off to college, etc. -- and Dad did it again and again.

What are we talking about? We have in mind the way a father steps in to help his child with difficult challenges and problems. He wants his child to learn and grow. And though he understands that he must allow him to try on his own, he also knows he will need to help along the way. So, he lets the child do all he can. Sometimes this means watching as those first steps lead to fall after fall, or standing back when the bike crashes, or simply observing when there are struggles at school. But he's always there, and he steps in at the crucial time to make up the difference between what the child can do on his own and what finally must get done. Making up the difference -- it's