

What Makes a Father so Special?

Fathers are special to their children when they provide guidance. Remember when we thought our father was the strongest man alive and had answers to everything? That is how children view their fathers who give guidance. Fathers have a responsibility to "bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." (Eph. 6:4)

Fathers are special because they need to prepare their families for the judgement. "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." (Pro. 22:6).

Fathers are special to a child when they help their children grow. Notice what was said about Jesus when He was a child, "And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and men (Luke 2:52).

Fathers are special to their children when proper discipline is practiced. When we are corrected by our fathers, we pay them respect for it when we are older (Hebrews 12:9).

Fathers are special when they recognize the accomplishments of their children.

Contributed by Kevin Key

God took the strength of a mountain,
The majesty of a tree,
The warmth of the summer sun,
The calm of a quiet sea,
The generous soul of nature,
The comforting arm of night,
The wisdom of the ages,
The power of the eagle's flight
The joy of a morning in spring,
The faith of a mustard seed,
The patience of eternity,
The depth of a family need,
Then God combined these qualities.
When there was nothing more to add,
He knew His masterpiece was complete
And, so, He called it DAD.

Anon.



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**When the church seems dead,
The work is slow,
When the attendance is off
The songs too low
When the prayers of the Saints
Lack fervor and power,
When the preacher's sermon
Seems stale and sour
Do you think then,
Or overlook with a critical eye
Do you ask yourself
Lord, is it I?"**

Selected

**Lord,
is It
I?"**

Overheard Somewhere, Sometime,

-- "By profession, I am a soldier and take pride in that fact. But I am prouder to be a father. A soldier destroys in order to build; the father only builds, never destroys. The one has potentiality of death, the other embodies creation and life. And while the hordes of death are mighty, the battalions of life are mightier still. It is my hope that when I am gone, my son will remember me, not from the battlefield, but in the home, repeating with him our simple daily prayer, 'Our Father who art in heaven.'" Douglas MacArthur

--"There is one thing for sure; it is easier to follow the band than to face the music."

--"I have found the best way to give advice is to find out what they want and then advise them to do it." H. Truman

--"Train up a child in the way he should go--then go that way yourself." C. Kelland

--"In the fear of the Lord, there is strong confidence and His children will have refuge." Proverbs 14:26

-- "Blessed indeed is the man that has many gentle voices call him father." L. Child

West Side Window

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SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study

9:30 am

Worship — 10:30
am & 6:00 pm

Wed. Bible Study

7:00 pm

MINISTER
Michael Gors

ELDERS
Michael Gors
Gary Reynolds
Todd Stults

DEACONS

Don Allison
Fellowship

Kendall Clark
Benevolence

Jim Clark-
Visitation

Lowell Huffman-
Media

Volker Jaromin-
Communication
and Advertisement

MISSION WORKS

India
Mark Reynolds

Sparta Tennessee
Robert Ray

*What is the
scriptural mode
of baptism:
pouring, sprinkling
or burial?
Read Col. 2:12
& Romans 6:3,4*

Lifting a Pit Bull by Its Ears...

People do some foolish things now and then but I can think of few actions more foolish or potentially fatal than lifting a pit bull by the ears. Performing such an action is virtually guaranteed to bring about significant pain and suffering--and more to you than to the dog. Some behavior is just so obviously foolish that it hardly even needs to be cautioned against. This is one of them.

Solomon informs us that there is another action equally foolish. "Like one who takes a dog by the ears is he who passes by and meddles with strife not belonging to him" (Proverbs 26:17). The Living Bible phrases it this way: "Yanking a dog's ears is no more foolish than interfering in an argument that isn't any of your business." The British, in their classic gift for understatement, have phrased it, "Like a man who seizes a passing cur by the ears is he who meddles in another's quarrel. (NEB).

Strife, disputes, dissensions and the like are all listed as works of the flesh (Galatians 5:19-21) and those who are determined to practice such "shall not inherit the kingdom of God." Thus, it is indeed wise for one to avoid strife, whether it be his/her own or that of another.

Engaging in strife and quarreling is little wiser, if at all, than trying to lift "Brutus" (pictured below) by the ears. Both will leave you wishing you had minded your own business.

The Greek Old Testament (the LXX, or the Septuagint) phrases this verse in Proverbs a bit different than the Hebrew text (upon which the English versions are based). It reads, "As he that lays hold of a dog's tail so is he that makes himself the champion of another's cause." In a way, this is a similar proverb...inserting yourself in another's concerns can be a dangerous proposition.

Those who are wise will avoid strife, contention, dissension and quarrels at all cost. Solomon wrote, "Keeping away from strife is an honor for a man but any fool will quarrel (Proverbs 20:3). The next time you feel tempted to insert yourself into another's business, just remember Brutus!

Al Maxey

Alamogordo, NM



Those Serving Today

JUNE 18, 2017

MORNING WORSHIP

Announcements: Jerry Hoyt
 Song Leader: Don Allison
 1st Prayer: Bill Smith
 Scripture Reading: Roe Reed
Colossians 3:12-25
 Sermon: Mike Gors
"A New Man Will Make a New Home"
 Closing Prayer: Lowell Huffman
 Sound Room: Jimmy Clark

COMMUNION SERVERS

West Side--Outside: Rick Cox
 Inside: Jay Kellow
 East Side-- Inside: Adam Gors
 Outside: Cliff Nicks

EVENING WORSHIP

Announcements: Jerry Hoyt
 Song Leader: Don Allison
 Opening Prayer: Lowell Huffman
 Scripture: Carl Gilstrap
John 10:22-30
 Sermon: Mike Gors
"Jesus Knows Them That are His"
 Communion Table: Jay Kellow
 Adam Gors
 Closing Prayer: Todd Stults
 Sound Room: Jimmy Clark

Group Three has Building Duties for Today: June 18th

Building Lock-up: Kendall

Greeters: Kendall, Bill W., Pat Lee

Communion Clean-up: Kathy

Communion Prep for June: Sue

Remember in Prayer

...The family of Andy Munson, son-in-law to Sui Holloman. Mr. Munson passed away on June 9, 2017 as the result of an accident at home. Our love and prayers go out to Sui and her family. Funeral service was held last Tues.

--The family of Alex Cullum who was electrocuted immediately after a car accident. He was a friend and school mate of Emma Gors.

-- West Side families who are traveling this week including Adam Gors who will be doing missionary work in Mexico.

Angie Reed, MS, Daughter-in-law of Joe and Wanda
 Barbara Huffman, Lung cancer. Sister in law of Lowell
 Barbara Knotts, Recovering from breast cancer surgery.
 Barrett Campbell, Chest pains, age 11. Grandson of Nancy.
 Betty Curry, Remember Betty as she returned home this week
 Brenda and Gordon Huffman
 David Merrill, Recuperating from lung surgery. Doing well.
 Don Allison, Hand surgery d/t infection. Results of lab work is pending.
 Howard Goodman, Heart issues with gall bladder surgery pending
 Jennifer Duke, Diagnosed with liver and lung cancer. Fiancée of Danny and Joan's son, Joe Odle.

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Joe Nicks Family, Home damaged by tornado in Canton, TX.
 Mary Ann Bayer, Results of tests are pending
 Mitch Kinder, Neighbor of Sally. Re-occurrence of cancer
 Molly Hemmings, Heart issues. Niece of Dorothy.
 Kay Tuck, Kidney failure. Mother of Nancy's daughter-in-law
 Ryan Dobbs, Cousin of Skylar. In need of a kidney transplant complicated by heart issues. Lives in KY
 Sylvia Carroll, Skin cancer. Radiation ongoing
 Tim Corcoran, Cancer of liver
 Tim Taylor, Recuperating from cancer surgery

Weekly Contribution Goal: \$2600

Contribution for
 June 11, 2017
 \$2255.00

Remember Our Shut-ins with Cards and Visits

Don Gaw--Middletown Health & Rehab
 Forrest Hurst--Elmcroft
 Jim & MaryLou Witty--at home
 Kathy Harper--at home

Wednesday Night Summer Series for June 21st

Speaker: Scott Reece
 Song Leader: Jimmy Clark
 Prayer: Joe Reed

Happy Birthday

Britanny Sheffield--June 1
 Alexis Harper--June 1
 Felomina (Ming) Gilstrap--June 2
 Taylor Ergle--June 2
 Jimmy Clark--June 4
 Natalie Hoyt--June 10
 Susan Shirel--June 12
 Joe Reed--June 16
 Holly Chambers--June 16
 Betty Kellow--June 16
 Trevor Qualkenbush--June 17
 Hailey Allison--June 22
 Ryan James Daunhauer--6/24/2015
 MaryLou Witty--June 25



What is Happening Today?

Gospel meeting begins today at the church of Christ at Tipton, June 18-21. Flyer is posted.

Looking Ahead.

--June 20, Women's breakfast. Cars leave lot at 9:30a
 --June 22, Mature Movie Night, "Singing in the Rain, 6p. Bring some friends and bring a desert to share.
 --June 23-24, 14th annual Vacation Bible Camp at Miller's Pod located behind Huntington Church of Christ. See flyer.
 --July 15, Group 3 will gather at the Stults home for a carry-in. See Genny what to bring. 7p
 --July 23, Kids movie, "The Lego Movie", 7p. Bring your favorite chair and fuzzy blanket and friends and be prepared to munch on popcorn & soda.
 --July 29, Blood drive. Blood mobile will be stationed in the West Side parking lot 9-1p. Your donation of blood will be greatly appreciated. See Kathy if you have questions.

Attendance for week of June 11th

Sunday Bible Study:	55
Sunday AM Worship:	82
Sunday PM Worship:	50
Wed. Summer Series:	43



Remember Bethany in Your Prayers,

-Bethany Allison has ask for the prayers of the congregation as she transitions this summer to Memphis, TN from her present home and job in Arkansas. She will be searching for a nursing position and is praying for employment that will be conducive to Christian living and professionally fulfilling to her as she and her future husband, Thomas, begin their life together this fall.