

## Father / Son Biblical relationships

**Malachi 4:6** - And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers

**Eph 6:4** - Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger [do not exasperate them to the point of resentment with demands that are trivial or unreasonable or humiliating or abusive; nor by showing favoritism or indifference to any of them], but bring them up [tenderly, with lovingkindness] in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. (AMP)

**Col 3:21** - Fathers, do not exasperate your children, so they won't become discouraged.

**1 Tim 5:1,2** - Do not rebuke an older man harshly, but exhort him as if he were your father. Treat younger men as brothers,<sup>2</sup> older women as mothers, and younger women as sisters, with absolute purity.

**1 Tim 1:2** - To Timothy my true son in the faith: Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord...<sup>1:18</sup> Timothy, my son, I am giving you this command in keeping with the prophecies once made about you, so that by recalling them you may fight the battle well,<sup>19</sup> holding on to faith and a good conscience

**Exod 20:12** - "Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.

**Heb 12:** "My son, do not make light of the Lord's discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you, because the Lord disciplines the one he loves,

and he chastens everyone he accepts as his son." Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as his children. For what children are not disciplined by their father?<sup>8</sup> If you are not disciplined—and everyone undergoes discipline—then you are not legitimate, not true sons and daughters at all.<sup>9</sup> Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we respected them for it. How much more should we submit to the Father of spirits and live!<sup>10</sup> They disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, in order that we may share in his holiness.<sup>11</sup> No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful.

Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.

**Proverbs 13:24** “Whoever spares the rod hates his son, but he who loves him is diligent to discipline him.”

**John 5:19** So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise.

**Matthew 3:17** And behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

**Galatians 3:29** And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise. (4:7) So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.

**1 John 3:1** - See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!

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1. Adam and his boys – Cain & Able
  2. Noah and 3 boys
  3. David and Solomon / Absalom
  4. Prodigal son and his dad.
  5. Paul – Timothy
  6. God the Father / Jesus the Son
  7. Me and my Dad...my son

## **Godly character (behavioral traits) learned from my Dad**

1 how he treated my mom

2 conviction / passivity

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## **That I hope to teach my son**

1. how to honor women

2. work ethic

3 integrity

## **What does a son need from his dad?**

1. respect (self and for others)

2. skills (physically, financially, emotionally, communication)

3.

“Deep in his heart, every man longs for a battle to fight, an adventure to live, I don’t trust a man who hasn’t suffered; I don’t let a man get close to me who hasn’t faced his wound...”

“Every boy, in his journey to become a man, takes an arrow in the center of his heart, in the place of his strength. Because the wound is rarely discussed and even more rarely healed, every man carries a wound. And the wound is nearly always given by his father.” “Every man carries a wound. I have never met a man without one. No matter how good your life may have seemed to you, you live in a broken world full of broken people.”

— John Eldredge, *Wild at Heart*