

Priorities For Fathers

*"Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb is a reward."
Psalm 127:3 (New King James Version)*

Fathers must have _____; but who will _____ them?

Priority One: God

A. God must be given the highest priority in a father's life:

1. Deuteronomy 12:28 - If they would _____ God's _____, it would go _____ for them and for their _____.
2. Proverbs 4:10-13 - Take _____ hold of _____, for she is your _____.
3. Matthew 6:33 - Seek _____ God's _____ and His _____.

B. Luke 12:15-21 - Though the man was _____, the Lord considered him a _____.

Priority Two: Wives

A. Hesburgh: "The most _____ thing a father can do for his children is to _____ their _____."

B. God's counsel on a father's marriage:

1. Luke 2:48 - _____ and _____ show that they worked together in _____ their Son.
2. 1 Peter 3:7 - Men must _____ with their _____ with _____.
3. Ephesians 5:28,29 - Love your wife as your own _____, as the _____ loved the _____.
4. 1 Samuel 25:25 - _____ was a _____ in his business, but his wife considered him a _____.

Priority Three: Children

A. Fathers must highly value their children:

1. 1 Chronicles 28:5 - _____ knew that _____ had given him his _____.
2. Psalm 127:3 - Children are a _____ from the _____.
3. Ephesians 6:4 - To "bring up" children is the same idea as "_____ " in 5:29.

B. 1 Kings 1:6 - But David never _____ his son! The outcome of Adonijah's life was _____.

Do we want our children to be _____ like _____?

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