

Psalm 112:6–7 (NKJV) “Surely he will never be shaken... He will not be afraid of evil tidings; His heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.”

Teach your children how to face life’s challenges by showing them how to trust God when things are hard.

7: Purpose to Leave a Legacy of Godliness

“Being a great father is like shaving. No matter how good you shaved today, you have to do it again tomorrow.” –Reed Markham

Fathers influence generations through obedience.

Deuteronomy 6:2 (NKJV) “...that you may fear the LORD your God, to keep all His statutes... you and your son and your grandson...”

Psalm 78:4 (NKJV) “We will not hide them from their children, telling to the generation to come the praises of the LORD...”

Proverbs 13:22 (NKJV) “A good man leaves an inheritance to his children’s children...”

Think generationally. Live today in a way that will impact your family spiritually for years to come.



The Importance of Godly Fathers Sunday, June 15, 2025

1: The Foundation of Success — Love God Fully

Everything begins with loving God with all we are.

Deuteronomy 6:5 (NKJV) “You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.”

Matthew 22:37–38 (NKJV) “Jesus said to him, ‘You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the first and great commandment.”

Mark 12:30 (NKJV) “And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.”

Prioritize time in God's presence daily. Let your children see you loving God in how you speak, lead, and make decisions.

2: Purpose to Live in God’s Word and Presence

A father who seeks God is a father who bears fruit.

John 15:5 (NKJV) “I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit...”

John 15:7 (NKJV) “If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.”

Psalm 1:2–3 (NKJV) “But his delight is in the law of the LORD... he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water...”

Make scripture reading and meditation a daily habit. Let your home be a place rooted in the Word.

3: Teach and Model the Word Diligently

“Every father should remember one day his son will follow his example, not his advice.” –Charles Kettering

“My father didn’t tell me how to live. He lived and let me watch him do it.” –Clarence Kelland

Fathers must pass on the faith by being active and intentional.

Deuteronomy 6:6–7 (NKJV) “And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children...”

Ephesians 6:4 (NKJV) “Fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord.”

Proverbs 22:6 (NKJV) “Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.”

Be proactive in leading family devotions, praying with your children, and teaching them godly values.

4: Lead by Faithful Example

**“It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men.”
–Frederick Douglass**

Consistency is one of the greatest traits of a godly father.

Scriptures:

1 Corinthians 4:2 (NKJV) “Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.”

Hebrews 10:23 (NKJV) “Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.”

Galatians 6:9 (NKJV) “And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.”

Don’t underestimate the power of your steady walk with God — your children will learn endurance by watching you.

5: Discipline Yourself to Walk in the Spirit, not in the Flesh

A father led by the Spirit will produce lasting fruit.

Galatians 5:22–23 (NKJV) “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering...”

Romans 8:14 (NKJV) “For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.”

Ephesians 5:18 (NKJV) “Be filled with the Spirit...”

Invite the Holy Spirit daily to guide your parenting, speech, emotions, and decisions.

6: Stand Strong in the Lord During Trials

A faithful father remains steady through storms because
He knows where his help comes from.

James 1:12 (NKJV) “Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life...”

1 Corinthians 16:13 (NKJV) “Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong.”