

Prayer Focus October 2nd-7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 The hearts of the Fathers are returning to their children.

In the past few weeks, I have been hearing reports about families being restored because the man of the home is having an encounter with God the Father and these awesome men are turning their hearts towards the Lord and their families. These Dads are turning their attention from their careers & outside activities to the attention of their homes, God is mighty. In fact, a few of my friends are sharing amazing praise reports & we are experiencing an amazing shift in our home too. If you have any praise reports you have witnessed, share away as I am right now. God gets the glory. God bless you. God is raising up the Fathers.

Malachi 4:6: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth ...

## Pray for the Fathers (Both spiritual and natural ones)

- Healing for their souls (mind, will, emotion) and bodies (if they need healing) in their physical bodies) In their souls from an Orphan spirit, fatherlessness, and rejection.
- Strength of mind and character of Christ.
- Strength for their bodies excellent immunity, healthy bodies, physical strength.
- Asking the Lord to bring His men- community and fellow prayer warriors with other men.
- Godly accountability and camaraderie.
- That they would experience our heavenly Father's touch and deep compassion and love for themselves.
- Wisdom and understanding for themselves (for their wives-if they are married and for their spiritual and natural children).

- That they receive Clarity & Direction and guidance from Holy Spirit.
- Provision for themselves and their families.

## Scriptures:

(Saw this on Influence magazine.com for Fathers)

- 1. As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him (Psalm 103:13).
- 2. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth. Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them (Psalm 127:4-5).
- 3. The righteous lead blameless lives; blessed are their children after them (Proverbs 20:7).
- 4. The father of a righteous child has great joy; a man who fathers a wise son rejoices in him (Proverbs 23:24).
- 5. Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? ... If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him! (Luke 11:11,13).
- 6. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him (Luke 15:20).
- 7. Fathers do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord (Ephesians 6:4).
- 8. Fathers do not embitter your children, or they will become discouraged" (Colossians 3:21).
- 9. For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children, encouraging, comforting and urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into his kingdom and glory (1 Thessalonians 2:11-12).
- 10. 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! (Hebrews 12:9).

Song:

How Deep the Father's Love For Us - Austin Stone Worship Live