FATHERS

Text: Psalm 68:5 – “A Father of the fatherless, and a Judge of the widows, is God in His holy habitation.”

EXAMPLES OF EARTHLY FATHERS IN THE BIBLE:

1) Jairus:  Mark 5:23. He besought Jesus to come & heal his daughter.

2) Prodigal Son’s Father:  Luke 15:20. This father saw his wayward son & forgave the son & celebrated the son’s return home.

A CHRISTIAN FATHER’S ROLE IS TO:

1) Train.  Proverbs 22:6
2) Provide.  II Corinthians 12:14 / II Thess. 3:10 – not work, don’t eat
3) Rule His House.  I Timothy 3:4 (Qualification for a Deacon-to ‘rule his house’)  I Timothy 3:12
5) Love. Titus 2:4

Ephesians 6:2 – “Honor thy father and thy mother which is the first commandment with promise.”

Similar verses in Exodus 20:12 & Deuteronomy 5:16 – “that thy days may be prolonged and that it may go well with thee.”

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