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From Where I Sit . . .

“A Portrait Of Fatherhood”

Father’s Day presents us with an opportunity to look at the role of being a Father once again. Where do you find guidance for that? The Bible is always the best source. I’ve selected a passage from **1 Thessalonians 2: 7-12** that few would consider to be a Father’s Day text. But I think it is a good one. In these few verses we see a portrait of fatherhood that is worth examining. And as you look at the portrait, consider with me five wonderful traits of a father today.

The First Trait of a Father Would Be the Ability to Express Genuine Love. Notice what Paul says in **1 Thessalonians 2:7-8 (NIV)** ⁷ but we were gentle among you, like a mother caring for her little children.

⁸ We loved you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well, because you had become so dear to us. In the original language those words expressed an intensity of love that gives over and over again. I think that is an important character trait for fathers because loving and expressing love does not come naturally for a lot of men.

The Second Trait Is a Transparent Life: Paul writes in vs. 8, “We loved you so much that we delighted to share with you not only the Gospel of God but our lives as well...” Now notice that Paul makes a connection between the “gospel” and our “lives.” It is one thing to hear the gospel, but it is another thing to live it. What Paul is saying is, “When we lived among you we not only told you the good news, we modeled it for you by how we lived.” Paul lived a transparent, see through, life. It seems to me that if you’re a Christian dad, your kids ought to know it by the way you live.

A Third Trait Is An Unselfish Diligence: Paul says in verse 9: “Surely you remember, brothers, our toil and hardship; we worked night and day in order not to be a burden to anyone while we preached the gospel of God to you.” We have a responsibility as parents to teach a good work ethic to our children. And oftentimes, if our kids don’t see a father who is a hard worker and who has a good work ethic, they’ll never learn it. We teach it in two ways. First, we teach by example, by just doing it and letting our children see that. Secondly, our children learn by doing. We give them the opportunity to do things & make their own mistakes & learn from the mistakes they make.

Fourthly, the Trait of Genuine Spirituality: Paul said in verse 10: “You are witnesses, and so is God, of how holy, righteous and blameless we were among you who believed.” Notice what he has said. First of all, “we preached the gospel of God to you” (verse 8). Secondly, “you are witnesses of how we lived. We lived holy, righteous, & blameless lives among you” (verse 10). In essence he declares “our behavior was influenced by what we believed about Jesus.” God Has Commissioned Dads to Be Spiritual Leaders.

Finally, There Is the Trait of Positive Influence. Paul writes, “For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children, encouraging, comforting & urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into His kingdom & glory” (1 Thess. 2: 11-12). That is what a father does. He encourages & comforts & urges his children to live lives worthy of God. We fathers can learn a lot about our everyday lives as we look at the Apostles comparisons of his ministry to “Fatherhood.”

. . . . Terry Broome



Please pray for our sick and remember them with cards, calls and visits.—

Vara Stiles underwent surgery for her broken ankle today (Wed.) at Huntsville Women’s & Children’s Hospital. Please keep Vara in your prayers.

Izella Proctor came home from rehab last Sunday. Please pray for her as she continues to recover at home.

Tammy McGuire is doing well in her recovery. She will begin chemotherapy after she heals from surgery. Please keep Tammy in your prayers.

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

- Stan Hastings**
- Ginger Myers**
- Pat Washburn**
- Cheryl Ellis**
- X’shi Ana Benavides**
- Irene Gist**
- Mary Lawrence**
- Polly Franklin**
- Sophonra Burney**
- Ken Lawrence, Sr.**
- Harold Reynolds**
- Judy Roberts**
- Mary Nell Gonce King**
- Holly Cobb**

Sam Wright, Albertville Nursing Home & Rehab, 750 AL Hwy 75 N, Albertville, AL 35951, Rm. 124, phone 256-891-7938.

Jackie Evans, employee of Woods Cove Florist, 2661 Snodgrass Rd. 35769.

Judy Tidwell McBride, member at Larkinsville, 322 Co. Rd. 15, Woodville, AL 35776.

Kenny Jimenez, son-in-law of Dave & Elane Bagley and brother-in-law of David & Ashley Dover, 124 Helen Ave., Modesto, CA 95354.

Judy Solomon, sister of Martha Pendley.

Winston Busby, brother of Doris Laney, 198 Weaver Rd., Henagar, AL 35978.

Martha Kimbrough 1500 Locust Circle, Huntsville, AL 35801.

Sally Abbott, aunt of Bill Price, 440 2nd St., S Naples, FL 34102-8620.

Shep Knight, child of Jo Reed Brumley’s cousin.

Lisa Erwin, niece of Buddy & Donna Pace, 848 Pinemeadow Dr., Gardendale, AL 35071.

Janice Chambless, friend of Julia Suchorski, 18 Co. Rd. 541, Scottsboro, AL 35768.

Tom and Mary Ann Worst, Libby Crona’s brother & sister-in-law.

Dale Lemley, sister of Nancy Miles.

Cecil Wilkes, grandmother of Nick Ledbetter.

Jordan McCormack, US Navy

Trent McCormack, US Navy

Jordan Holt, US Navy

Abigail Holt, US Navy

Nathan Bridges, US Air Force- Reserve

Paige Chrisman, US Air Force

Philip Doan, US Marine Corps-Reserve

Nathaniel Doan, US Marine Corps

Anthony Worst, US Marine Corps

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & HOMEBOUND

Cloverdale Manor	Rosewood Manor	Southern Estates
412 Cloverdale Rd. Scottsboro, 35768 Helen Ott	1513 Co. Park Rd. Scottsboro, 35769 Doris Johnson	212 E. Stewart Rd. Scottsboro, 35769 Tommy Bellomy

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- Elsie Goodman 406 S Houston St., 35768
- Martha Nan Baker 701 Monroe St., NW, Russellville, 35653
- Jim Anderson 3891 Sullivan St., Madison, AL 35758
- Nell Anderson 121 Brookridge Dr., Apt. 133, Madison, 35758
- Al Evett 49 Hughes Rd., Apt. 24, Madison, 35758

Calendar of Upcoming Events—

- June 17 — Summer Series speaker: Lonnie Jones
- June 24 — Summer Series speaker: Lonnie Jones

JUST 4 YOUTH!

Aug. 1 — VBS

<i>One Measure Of Our Love</i>	Wed. Bible Study..... 62 Sunday Bible Study..... 128 Sun. A.M. Worship..... n/a Sun. Night Worship..... n/a Contribution..... \$8877.00 Budget..... \$7556.00
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The Last Hug

The wedding was about to begin. The groom was nervous. The bride was radiant. The guests were in their places. I was trying to calm the anxiety stricken groomsmen.

Then the father of the bride caught my attention. Serene. Thoughtful. Almost tearful. "I wonder when the last time was that I picked her up and held her," he said. "I mean, the very last time. I don't remember. I only know that if I would have realized that it was the last time to hold my little girl, I would have held her longer, tighter, and with more feeling."

"The Last Time!" Those words are serious words. The last football game for the quarterback. The last work day for the retiree. The last kiss for the widow. The last time!

What if you were to invest your energy into every day as if it were your last day? How would it be different from the routine? Think of the automatic change this would make in most of our relationships with parents, children, spouse, friends. Are there feelings in your heart that are destined to stay locked inside? The body in the coffin does not hear the words of the loved one standing beside it.

The writer of Hebrews understood this principle. "Today if you hear his voice, harden not your heart" (Heb. 3:7). "...encourage one another, as long as it is called today" (Heb. 3:13).

Today there may be opportunities which may never come again. Doors may be open today which tomorrow may be shut. There will be a last hug for all of us.

...A last church service... A last singing of a favorite hymn... A last kiss... A last good-bye... A LAST HUG!



We're Proud of You!

Our graduating seniors this year are Shelton McCormack, Ragan Myers, and Abbie Woods. We will be honoring them on Sunday, July 5th. Everyone is invited to stay after the morning service for a power point presentation featuring our graduates. Also, there will be a table set up in the foyer for anyone who wants to leave a card or gift for our grads.

Thank you so much for all the wonderful cards of encouragement, the phone calls and prayers. Please continue to pray for me as I continue my treatments.



In Christian love, Stan Hastings

I watched him playing 'round my door,
My neighbor's little boy of four,
I wondered why a child would choose
To wear his dad's old worn out shoes.

I saw him try with all his might
To make the laces snug and tight,
I smiled to see him walk and then
He'd only step right out again.

I heard him say, his voice so glad,
"I want to be just like my dad."

I hope his dad his steps would choose,
Safe for his son to wear his shoes.

And then a shout and cry of joy,
A "Hello Dad," and "Hi-ya boy."

They walked along in measured stride,
Each face aglow with love and pride.

"What have you done today, my lad?"
"I tried to wear your old shoes, Dad.

They're big, but when I am a man
I'll wear your shoes, I know I can."

They stopped and stood there hand in hand.

He saw his son's tracks in the sand.

His words... a prayer... came back to me,
"Lord, let my steps lead him to Thee!"



Memorials & Gifts

Broad Street church of Christ gratefully acknowledges a donation to the Food Pantry from Nancy Woodall in memory of Ruth Gray.

The Learning Center gratefully acknowledges a monetary donation in memory of Faye Henderson from Sam and Roxie Wright.

ELDERS

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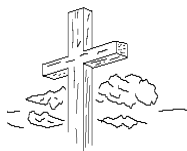
SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

WORSHIP. Sunday 9:55 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.
BIBLE STUDY..... Sunday 9:00 A.M.
and Wednesday 6:30 P.M.
LADIES BIBLE CLASS. Tuesday 10:00 A.M.

Those to Serve. . .

SUNDAY, June 21, 2020

Song Leader: Mark Price
Prayer: John A. Porch
Serve at the Lord's Table:
Presiding: Bill Price
Speaker: Terry Broome
Closing Prayer: Jo Reed Brumley



WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY:

Scripture: Dave Bagley
Song Leader: Chad Brown
Prayer: Trey Russell

CONTACT ELDER: David Precise

If you are unable to serve, please call:
Dave Precise 256-599-6668 -or- Dave Bagley 256-609-6468

The Learning Center Pre-School (Infants - 4 yrs.)
Debra Wilhelm, Director ♦ 259-0005

The righteous man
leads a blameless life;
blessed are his children
after him.



Scatter Sunshine

Be generous with smiles and kindly words, if with nothing else. That which costs the least is often most valuable in this strange world. And kind words and gentle acts of sympathy have a way of reflecting that and many a time has rewarded the giver a thousand-fold. It is a great thing to remember peacefully at eventide that some burdened heart has blessed you during the day for a timely word of cheer or glint of encouragement.

