

A silhouette of a man and a child walking on a beach at sunset. The man is on the right, holding the hand of a smaller child on the left. They are walking away from the viewer towards the ocean. The sky is a gradient of dark colors, and the water is dark with some white foam from waves. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

# *The* FATHER'S *Heart*

Ps Chris | James 1:16-18

**16 "Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers.**

**17 Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, with whom there is no change or shifting shadow.**

**18 He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we would be a kind of firstfruits of His creation."**



**James  
1:16-18 BSB**



**Do you know  
God as a good  
Father?**



# What is a Father Complex?

In psychology, 'daddy issues' are described as a 'father complex.'

A father complex develops when a person has a poor relationship with his or her father.

The need for approval, support, love, and understanding progresses into adulthood, and it may result in bad decisions with relationships.





**Are you or  
have you been  
a good father?**



# Our Heavenly Father loves unconditionally, and gives abundantly



John 3:16-17

16 "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that everyone who believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him.



# **Our Heavenly Father loves unconditionally, and gives abundantly**



John 3:34

For the One whom God has sent speaks the words of God, for God gives the Spirit without limit."



# We can know the Father by knowing the Son



John 1:18 BSB

"No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is Himself God and is at the Father's side, has made Him known.

**6 Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.**



**7 If you had known Me, you would know My Father as well. From now on you do know Him and have seen Him.”**



**John 14:6-11  
BSB**

**8 Philip said to Him, “Lord, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us.”**

**9 Jesus replied, “Philip, I have been with you all this time, and still you do not know Me? Anyone who has seen Me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’?”**



**John 14:6-11**  
**BSB**

**10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me? The words I say to you, I do not speak on My own. Instead, it is the Father dwelling in Me, performing His works.**

**11 Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me—or at least believe on account of the works themselves.**



**John 14:6-11  
BSB**

**30 "I and the Father are one.'**

**If I am not doing the works of My Father, then do not believe Me.**



**38 But if I am doing them, even though you do not believe Me, believe the works themselves, so that you may know and understand that the Father is in Me, and I am in the Father."**

**JOHN 10:30, 38 BSB**

**A Father or parent is never jealous or threatened by their child's achievements.**





**"so that all may honour the Son  
just as they honour the Father.  
Whoever does not honour the  
Son does not honour the Father  
who sent Him."**

**JOHN 5:23 NIV**





**It is a Father's duty to discipline, train and correct their children.**

*"Who loves discipline?"*

*"Who loves to be disciplined?"*



**7 Endure suffering as discipline;  
God is treating you as sons. For  
what son is not disciplined by his  
father?**

**8 If you do not experience  
discipline like everyone else, then  
you are illegitimate children and  
not true sons.**



**Hebrews  
12:7-11 BSB**



**9 Furthermore, we have all had earthly fathers who disciplined us, and we respected them. Should we not much more submit to the Father of our spirits and live?**

## **Hebrews 12:7-11 BSB**

**10 Our fathers disciplined us for a short time as they thought best, but God disciplines us for our good, so that we may share in His holiness.**

**11 No discipline seems enjoyable at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it yields a harvest of righteousness and peace to those who have been trained by it.**



## **Hebrews 12:7-11 BSB**





**As sons (and daughters) of God,  
the Father's ear is open to our  
needs when we ask.**

Galatians 4:6:

"Because you are God's children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into us to call out, 'Abba! Father!'"



- **Remember every good and perfect gift comes from Our Father**
- **He love to give us good gifts**
- **The good thing is that we can ask for them...**

**7 "Ask, and it will be given to you;  
seek, and you will find;  
knock, and the door will be opened  
to you.**



**8 For everyone who asks receives;  
he who seeks finds; and to him  
who knocks, the door will be  
opened.**



**Matthew  
7-11 BSB**

**9 Which of you, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone?**

**10 Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake?**

**11 So if you who are evil know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!"**



**Matthew  
7-11 BSB**



**The Father also knows when to withhold them till the right time, and if we will be ungrateful and misappropriate them.**

James 4:3 BSB

"And when you do ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may squander it on your pleasures."



**As sons (or daughters) of God, we should never think of ourselves in a proud way, or be like rich, spoilt brats.**

Philippians 2:5-11 BSB

5 Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus:

6 Who, existing in the form of God,  
did not consider equality with God  
something to be grasped,a

7 but emptied Himself,  
taking the form of a servant,  
being made in human likeness.



**As sons (or daughters) of God, we should never think of ourselves in a proud way, or be like rich, spoilt brats.**

Philippians 2:5-11 BSB

8 And being found in appearance as a man,  
He humbled Himself  
and became obedient to death—  
even death on a cross.

9 Therefore God exalted Him to the highest  
place and gave Him the name above all  
names,



**As sons (or daughters) of God, we should never think of ourselves in a proud way, or be like rich, spoilt brats.**

Philippians 2:5-11 BSB

10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ  
is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.



# **The Father, wants us to know Him as our Father and be in relationship with Him, through Jesus and the Holy Spirit**

Ephesians 2:13, 18 BSB

13 "But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ.

18 For through Him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit."



**So let me ask, do you know God as your  
Father?**

**Are you living as His son (or daughter)?**

John 1:12-13 BSB

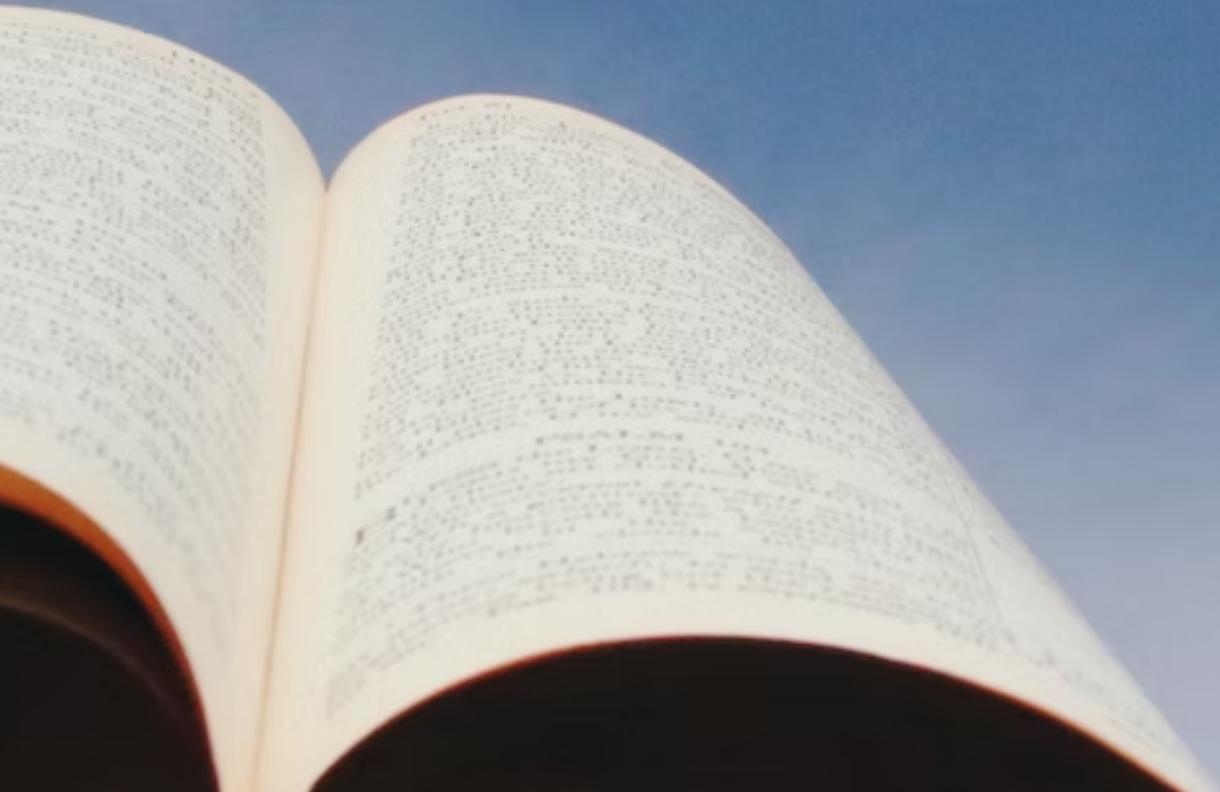
12 But to all who did receive Him, to those who  
believed in His name, He gave the right to  
become children of God—

13 children born not of blood, nor of the  
desire or will of man, but born of God.

**So today on Father's Day,  
what gift do you bring to  
Your Heavenly Father?**



- **Everyone stick your hands up**
- **Your money or Your Life**



- **Have you surrendered your life?**
- **It's not your money or your life, maybe God is talking to you about surrendering your money and your life...**



# Matthew 6:24 BSB

**"No one can serve two masters:  
Either he will hate the one and love the  
other, or he will be devoted to the one  
and despise the other.  
You cannot serve both God and money."**





**What is the greatest gift you can give your Father today?**

**Why not give Him your life today?**

Romans 12:1 BSB

"Therefore I urge you, brothers, on account of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God, which is your spiritual service of worship."

**"Father, I come to you in faith.  
I thank you for the cross.  
I confess that I am a sinner and  
that I need you to save me.  
I repent of my sins and ask you  
to forgive me.  
Sorry for loving things, more  
than You.**



**Prayer**



**Jesus, I confess that you are my  
Lord.**

**I give you my life, my everything.**

**Fill me with Your Holy Spirit,**

**I surrender to your will from this  
day forward.**

**Thank you for restoring me to  
your original intent for my life.**



**Prayer**



**You are my Saviour, my Healer,  
my Baptizer of the Holy Spirit,  
my soon Coming King  
and my loving Father  
In Jesus name, Amen!"**



**Prayer**



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