



Families In Focus

“A Biblical Portrait Of Fathers”

- Introduction:
1. Fatherhood is such an important role to fill, for it has much to do with our child’s concept of God.
 2. Again, what we do with the heritage that has been left to us has much to do with our child’s eternal destiny as well as our own.
 3. As we grow older, it becomes startling to realize just how much of our parents are “in” us.

I. Biblical Fatherhood

- A. A father must be first a husband (Ephesians 5:25-33).
- B. A father must be the head of his home (Ephesians 5:23).
- C. A father must be a provider for his home (1 Timothy 5:8).
- D. A father must be the spiritual leader of his home (Ephesians 6:4).

II. Biblical Portraits Of Fathers

- A. Abraham.
 1. (Genesis 18:17-19).
 2. God had confidence that Abraham could command his children.
 3. (Joshua 24:15).
- B. Job.
 1. Job was spiritual leader for his family.
 - a. (Job 1:5)
 - b. (1 Timothy 5:8).
 2. Job had a positive outlook on life.
 - a. (Job 1:21).
 - b. (Philippians 4:11).
 - c. (Colossians 3:21).
 3. Job was a humble man.
 - a. (Job 42:1-6).
 - b. Job was not afraid to say, “I was wrong, please forgive me.”
 - c. Our children need to see honesty and humility displayed.

- Conclusion:
1. May God help us to be the kind of Fathers our children, our churches, and our nation needs.
 2. And if you find yourself deficient, resolve today to begin fulfilling your God given role as a Father.

