

The background of the poster features a dark, textured image of large, reddish-brown desert rocks. On the left and right sides, there are stylized green saguaro cacti with multiple arms. A decorative border consisting of a line of small orange dots runs horizontally across the top and bottom of the image, framing the central text.

FATHER'S DAY

AT CHRIST
CHURCH

2026

COMPASSION
— FROM AN —
UNEXPECTED
PLACE



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For this reason I bow my knees before the Father,
from whom ***all fatherhood in heaven and on earth***
is named...

EPHESIANS 3:14-15

THE DIGNITY OF FATHERHOOD

- 1.** God the Father is the perfect and original Father, whose character and actions reveal the fullness of fatherhood.
- 2.** Human fathers are created to reflect God's fatherly character through their loving discipline, intentionality, commitment, honor, judgement, and courage.
- 3.** Therefore, fatherhood possesses inherent dignity because it is rooted in and patterned after the fatherhood of God himself.

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The Bible leaves no room for fatherhood that doesn't take seriously the responsibility of raising children in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. Whether it's found in the Law, the Prophets, the Gospels, or the Epistles, our calling is clear. *We must shepherd our families.*

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SIX FATHERLY VIRTUES

1. Loving Discipline
2. Intentionality
3. Commitment
4. Honor
5. Judgement
6. Courage

⁵ And **have you forgotten** the exhortation that addresses you as sons?

“My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord,
nor be weary when reproved by him.

⁶ **For the Lord disciplines the one he loves,**
and chastises every son whom he receives.”

HEBREWS 12:5-6 VIRTUE #1: LOVING DISCIPLINE

7 It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there **whom his father does not discipline?**

HEBREWS 12:7

VIRTUE #2: INTENTIONALITY

7 It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? 8 If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, **then you are illegitimate children and not sons.**

HEBREWS 12:7-8

VIRTUE #3: COMMITMENT

⁷ It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? ⁸ If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. ⁹ Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live?

HEBREWS 12:7-9

VIRTUE #4: HONOR

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HEBREWS 12:7-10

VIRTUE #5: JUDGEMENT

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HEBREWS 12:7-11

VIRTUE #6: COURAGE



LIVE THE TEXT

1. **Strive** to embody the virtues of our Heavenly Father.

- Loving Discipline
- Intentionality
- Commitment
- Honor
- Judgement
- Courage

2. When you fail, **turn** to Christ and repent.

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For this very reason, **make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love.**

2 PETER 1:5–7

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“

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.

1 JOHN 2:1

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**Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace,
that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.**

HEBREWS 4:14-16