

See the Father and See what the Father is doing Fathers day 2021

Preamble

- Welcome to you as you watch, whether your local to the All Nations family or somewhere else in the UK or beyond
- A quick word to those who live local to All Nations - Our 'Join the Journey' conversations continue
 - You are very precious and we want everyone to know and engage with the journey we are on
 - From September we will be meeting together in person here in the building, 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month.
 - We will still also be meeting last Saturday of the month encounter night
 - Also planning in person prayer gatherings
 - Come and journey together as we explore and move into our new day
- To those further a field, we are also wanting to see Church planting right across the UK and beyond. We are to help you do this
 - We are an Apostolic family on mission together
 - Do get in touch info@allnations.org.uk
 - We will be doing gathering, training and equipping
 - AN Leadership College - starting in September 2021
 - College taster evening 30th June

PRAY

Introduction

- Happy fathers Day - Praying you know grace
- Affirming and celebrating all the Fathers
- Thinking also of those whose experience with their natural fathers has not been positive
- And for those who have lost their Father
- Praying for you and trusting that you will know the revelation of Heavenly Father

See the Father - Revelation, not just distant God but Father

“Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. [26] I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them.” **John 17:25-26**

- Father 243 times in the gospels
- Father more than 100 times in John's gospel
- Jesus came to reconcile a broken, lost world to a loving Heavenly Father

Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. [7] If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.” **John 14:6-7**

- Jesus came to reveal Father to us
- He spoke of God as Father

Eternal life Knowing Father

Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. **John 17:3**

Make our Home - Relational language

Jesus replied, “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. **John 14:23**

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! ... **1 John 3:1a**

Abba, Father

For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. [15] The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.” [16] The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. **Romans 8:14-16**

- You have rights, privileges, stability, security and it is all rooted in your Fathers love.
- It comes from relationship
- You can call him Abba, Papa, Daddy. Father.
- We are all born with an orphan heart and the only way to remove it is for it to be replaced or displaced with a heart of sonship

ASK - Spirit give me revelation of Father and his love for me

See what the Father is doing

If people can't see what God is doing, they stumble all over themselves; But when they attend to what he reveals, they are most blessed. **Proverbs 29:18** MSG

- If you can't see .. you stumble
- But when you see
- And then you attend - you will be blessed

In his defence Jesus said to them, “My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I too am working.” [19] Jesus gave them this answer: “Very truly I tell you, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does. **John 5:17,19**

- Not only does the Father bring us into the most intimate relationship with himself
- But he call us to bring others into that too

HOW to see what Father is doing

a. Take time to ask

“So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. [10] For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

Luke 11:9-10

.... You do not have because you do not ask God. **James 4:2b**

b. Be still to listen

My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, **James 1:19**

He says, “Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.” **Psalms 46:10**

Do what he shows

Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. **James 1.22**

And He said to them, "Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?" **Luke 2:49** NKJV

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It is worth reordering ones life to Fathers plans and purpose!

- This is where we flourish
- This is where we bear fruit
- This is where we live in full joy
- This is the place of greatest intimacy - agreement and one's with father in relationship and purpose

Prayer for you

- That you may see the Father, loving, compassionate and deeply relational

- That you may see what the Father is doing
- That you may attend to what the Father is revealing