



It's important that God's Word continues after the message. At Celebrate, we find that you will quite often talk over this week's message long after our experience is over. That's because God has impact. The Sermon Discussion Guide is designed to help you continue the conversation all week.

Ways a father can invest in his children:

Time:

What are your short term (daily) and long term (lifetime) priorities? How might God want to adjust these priorities to be more Kingdom oriented? Are there things that you should cut out of your life to make room for the people and things that are more important? If applicable, think specifically about how this relates to parenting.

Proverbs 16:3; Ephesians 5:15-17; Psalm 90:10

What does quality time with your children look like for you? What are some things they enjoy doing with you, and what are some ways you use your time to affirm their value? If you need to up your game with quality time, what is one small way you can start now?

Hebrews 10:24-25; Deuteronomy 6:6-7; Psalm 127:3-5

Instruction:

What was the best advice or instruction that you ever received from your father? What kind of advice do you hope will stick with your children? What actions steps can you take to ensure it does?

Proverbs 22:6; Exodus 20:6; Ephesians 6:4

Love:

What are some ways in which you pray for your children? Do you devote more prayer to your child's happiness and success, or to their relationship with Jesus? What is it that you want with your relationship with your children? Don't let what you have been taught be your guide if you are wanting more in those relationships. Read 1 Chronicles 29:19 and discuss how David prayed for his son, Solomon.

1 Chronicles 29:19; Philippians 4:6; Matthew 7:7-8

What's Next

- Fathers, pray often for your children. You can never be a "good enough" father, but you can always call upon your Father in Heaven for help.
- If you feel like you've failed as a father, don't give up and wallow. Start small, and start now to reinvigorate that relationship. Never underestimate how important you are as a father.