

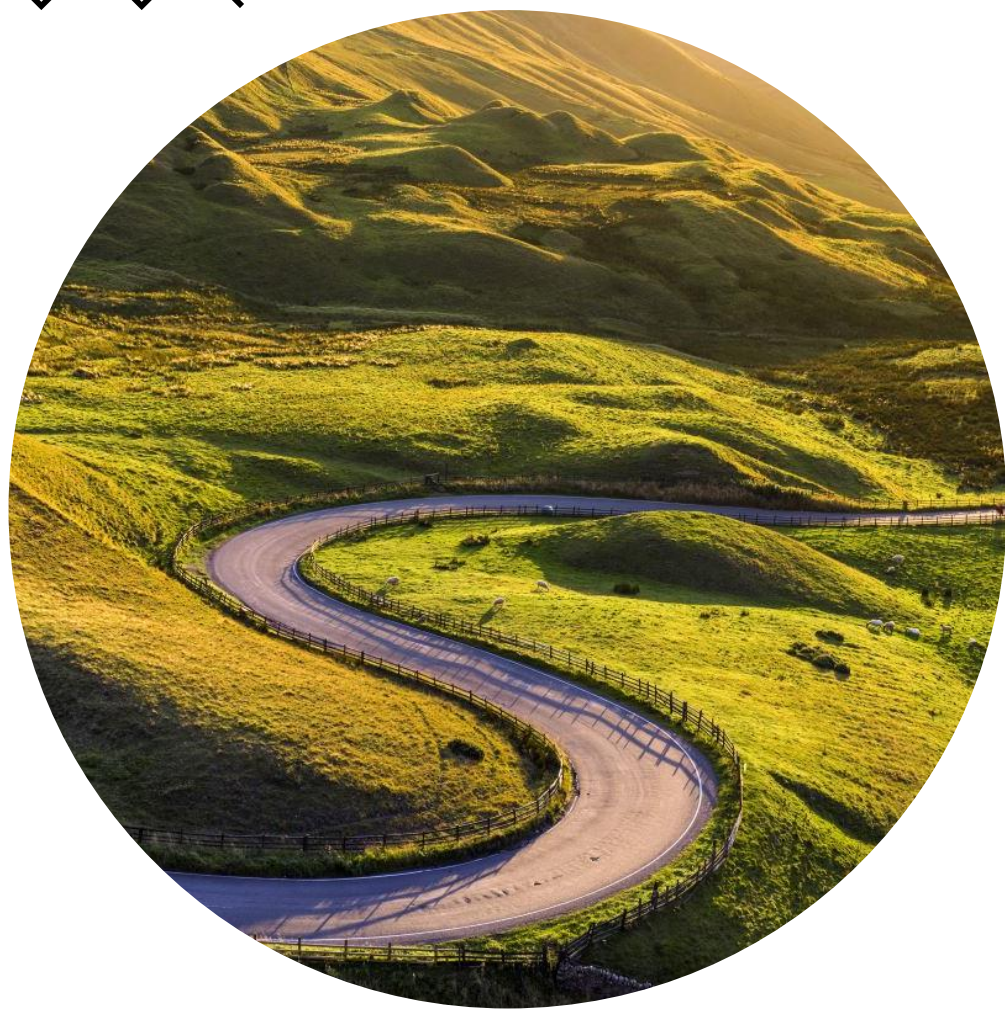


A MODEL FATHER



SERIES: STRENGTHENING
THE FAMILY WITH
BIBLICAL TRUTH



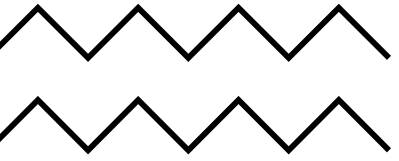


Luke 15:20

“And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him.”

A Model Father





I. Model fathers have the wisdom to release

Luke 15:11-13

Then He said: "A certain man had two sons.

And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the portion of goods that falls to me.' So he divided to them his livelihood.

And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, journeyed to a far country, and there wasted his possessions with prodigal living.





II. Model fathers never stop praying and expecting

Luke 15:17-20

"But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!

I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you,

and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants.'" '

"And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him....





III. Model fathers are compassionate, forgiving, and merciful

Luke 15:-20-23

"And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him.

And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son.'

"But the father said to his servants, 'Bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet.

And bring the fatted calf here and kill it, and let us eat and be merry;





III. Model fathers
are
compassionate,
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merciful

Luke 15:-27-28

And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and because he has received him safe and sound, your father has killed the fatted calf.'

"But he was angry and would not go in. Therefore his father came out and pleaded with him.

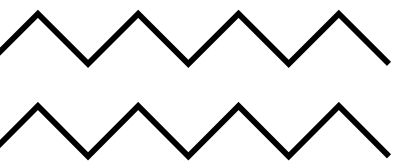




Model fathers...

- have the wisdom to release
- never stop praying and expecting
- are compassionate, forgiving, and merciful





The Challenge

Fathers, let's pray to be the *model fathers* we should be so we may strengthen our families, our church, and our community.

