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FATHER GOD

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HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

"This ... is how you should pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name."

MATTHEW 6:9 | NIV

- GOD IS DEFINED IN TWO SIMPLE WORDS: **OUR FATHER.**
- GOD IS A **PERSON**, NOT SIMPLY A **POWER.**

WHAT GOD IS REALLY LIKE...

I. GOD THE FATHER **CARES.**

"As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him, for he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust."

PSALM 103:13-14 | NIV

"Cast all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you."

1 PETER 5:7 | NIV

"So don't worry about these things, saying, 'What will we eat? What will we drink? What will we wear?'

Your heavenly Father already knows all your needs."

MATTHEW 6:31-32 | NLT

II. GOD THE FATHER IS **CONSISTENT**.

"Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father ... who does not change like shifting shadows."

JAMES 1:17 | NIV

• INCONSISTENT FATHERS PRODUCE **INSECURE** CHILDREN.

"If we are faithless, He will remain faithful, for He cannot disown Himself."

2 TIMOTHY 2:13 | NIV

"What a God he is! How perfect in every way! All his promises prove true!"

PSALM 18:30 | LB

III. GOD THE FATHER IS **CLOSE** TO YOU.

"God did this so that (people) would ... reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us."

ACTS 17:27 | NIV

ENCOURAGING FACTS:

1. GOD IS NEVER **TOO BUSY** FOR ME.

"The Lord is near to all who call on him ..."

PSALM 145:18 | NIV

2. GOD LOVES TO **MEET MY NEEDS**.

"If you ... know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!"

MATTHEW 7:11 | NIV

3. GOD IS SYMPATHETIC TO **MY HURTS**.

"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit."

PSALM 34:18 | NIV

IV. GOD THE FATHER IS **CAPABLE**.

"But nothing is impossible with God."

LUKE 1:37 | GW

"I am the Lord, the God of all mankind. Is anything too hard for me?"

JEREMIAH 32:27 | NIV

"(God) ... is able to do far more than we would ever dare to ask or even dream of -- infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, or hopes!"

EPHESIANS 3:20 | LB

"My God will meet all of your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus."

PHILIPPIANS 4:19 | NIV

"... We are all children of God through faith in Jesus Christ."

GALATIANS 3:26 | LB

"Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.'"

JOHN 14:6 | NIV

"Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God."

JOHN 1:12 | NIV

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

- 1. Share one thing that stood out to you in this week's sermon. How will you apply that to your life?**
- 2. What is your view of God as a father? Do you view Him like a father who is kind, tender, and compassionate? Does He truly care about you or do you view Him in another way?
Please share.**
- 3. What are ways God has been faithful to you and your family? (For example: "He has always provided for us in this way or that way," "He did a miracle for our family," or "I knew he was there during this season of hardship.") Please share a story or situation He has been faithful to you.**
- 4. In learning all the ways God has been a good Father to us in Pastor Jeremy's 4 points, what is God asking you to improve in?**
- 5. How can we pray for you this week?**