

The Favor of Fatherhood

GENESIS 5:1-32

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The Living Years

BE AN EXPERIENTIAL FATHER.

**Enoch walked with God after he fathered Methuselah
300 years and had other sons and daughters.**

GENESIS 5:22

**Your children need more than spiritual speeches.
They need spiritual experience.**



**Train up a child in the way he should go;
even when he is old he will not depart from it.**

PROVERBS 22:6

**You do not have to be a perfect father.
But by God's grace, you must be a present one.**

BE AN EXISTENTIAL FATHER.

When Methuselah had lived 187 years, he fathered Lamech. Methuselah lived after he fathered Lamech 782 years and had other sons and daughters. Thus all the days of Methuselah were 969 years, and he died.

GENESIS 5:25-27

An existential father teaches that life is not accidental, breath is not random, and every day is stewardship before God.

The background features a complex, abstract pattern of curved, overlapping lines. The colors are primarily deep blue, vibrant orange, and rich red, creating a sense of movement and depth. The lines are of varying thickness and curve, some appearing as concentric arcs while others are more linear, all set against a dark, almost black, background.

SPACE AND GRACE



BE AN EXEMPLARY FATHER.

When Lamech had lived 182 years, he fathered a son and called his name Noah, saying, “Out of the ground that the Lord has cursed, this one shall bring us relief from our work and from the painful toil of our hands.”

GENESIS 5:28-29

**Your children need honesty about the world,
but they also need hope in God.
Do not merely diagnose darkness. Declare truth.**





More is caught than taught. Enoch walked with God, and his family saw it, and he has been remembered generationally. Methuselah had a long life that influenced generations. Lamech named his son with hope, and that hope echoed into the next generation. Fathers, do not neglect — protect. Do not reject — connect. The Chinese proverb puts it beautifully: 'One generation plants a tree and the next generation enjoys the shade.' Plant today what your children and grandchildren may one day sit beneath in the shade.



HAPPY
Father's Day