

I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live <sup>20</sup> and that you may love the LORD your God, listen to his voice, and hold fast to him. For the LORD is your life, and he will give you many years in the land he swore to give to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. **Deuteronomy 30:19-20** NIV

## WHY SHOULD I BE CONCERNED ABOUT BEING A GODLY FATHER?

•	Because Children	it
•	Because God	it.
	Because Dads	it

## I CAN BE A GODLY FATHER AND GIVE MY CHILDREN A LIFE OF BLESSING BY...

1. \_\_\_\_ the potential of my role as father.

See, I set before you today life and prosperity, death and destruction... <sup>19</sup>Now choose life, so that <u>you and your children</u> may live. **Deuteronomy 30:15, 19** NIV

They turned back from entering the Promised Land and disobeyed as their fathers had. Like a crooked arrow, they missed the target of God's will.

**Psalm 78:57** LB

2. that with God's help I can become a great father.

Now what I am commanding you today is not too <u>difficult for you or beyond</u> <u>your reach</u>. <sup>12</sup>It is not up in heaven, so that you have to ask, "Who will ascend into heaven to get it and proclaim it to us so we may obey it?" <sup>13</sup> Nor is it beyond the sea, so that you have to ask, "Who will cross the sea to get it and proclaim it to us so we may obey it?" **Deuteronomy 30:11-13** NIV

3.	God's word as the blueprint for my development.		
	d is very near you; it is in your  Deuteronomy 30:14 NIV	mouth and in your heart so you	
If the LORD	doesn't build the house, the buil	lders are working for nothing. Psalms 127:1 NCV	
• God	d knows how to build from	toMt 7:24ff	
4	my personal rel	lationship with God.	
I command you today to love the LORD your God Deuteronomy 30:15a NIV			
•	ř e	Land and disobeyed <u>as</u> <u>their fathers</u> get of God's will. <b>Psalm 78:57</b> LB	
• Re	member dad, you cannot	what you do not	
5.	5to consistently obeying God's word.		
you will live		nmands, decrees and laws; then your God will bless you in the nomy 30:16 NIV	
built his ho		s them is like a wise man who the floods came, and the winds , because it was built on rock. <b>Matthew 7:24, 25</b> NCV	
6.	God to reward	d my efforts.	
	D is your life, and he will give you fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob	many years in the land he swore to Deuteronomy 30:20 NIV	

And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him. **Hebrews 11:6** NIV

Trust in the LORD with all your heart. Never rely on what you think you know. <sup>6</sup>Remember the LORD in everything you do, and he will show you the right way. Never let yourself think that you are wiser than you are; simply obey the LORD and refuse to do wrong. <sup>8</sup>If you do, it will be like good medicine, healing your wounds and easing your pains. **Proverbs 3:5, 6, 8** TEV

Additional Notes:	Reflecting on todays message	
	What touched my heart?	
	What is God asking me to do?	
	What should I change this week?	
	Who else needs to hear this message?	