Prove Your Self a MAN!



HOW?

1Kings 2:1-4

Now the days of David drew near that he should die, and he charged Solomon his son, saying;

I go the way of all the earth; be strong, therefore, and prove yourself a man. ³ And keep the charge of the Lord your God: to walk in His ways, to keep His statutes, His commandments, His judgments, and His testimonies, as it is written in the Law of Moses, that you may prosper in all that you do and wherever you turn; ⁴ that the Lord may fulfill His word which He spoke concerning me, saying, 'If your sons take heed to their way, to walk before Me in truth with all their heart and with all their soul,' He said, 'you shall not lack a man on the throne of Israel.'

Prove Yourself a Man

- Be Strong
- Keep the Charge of GOD
- Walking in the ways of GOD
- Keep GOD's Law's and commandments
- Accept GOD's JUDGEMENT (decisions)
- Live by the Testimonies of GOD

You will Prosper

Jeremiah 5:1

Run to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem;
See now and know;
And seek in her open places
If you can find a man,
If there is anyone who executes judgment,
Who seeks the truth,
And I will pardon her.

Psalms 15

Lord, who may abide in Your tabernacle? Who may dwell in Your holy hill?

² He who walks uprightly,

And works righteousness,

And speaks the truth in his heart;

³ He who does not backbite with his tongue,

Nor does evil to his neighbor,

Nor does he take up a reproach against his friend;

⁴ In whose eyes a vile person is despised,

But he honors those who fear the Lord;

He who swears to his own hurt and does not change;

⁵ He who does not put out his money at usury,

Nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

He who does these *things* shall never be moved

In the Beginning Men Were given 3 things to do

- 1. He was responsible to God.
- 2. He was given dominion over God's creation.
- 3. He was to protect and lead his Wife.

We Need Real Men Today!

- Christian Men. A Obedient FAITH.
- Those who walk humble with GOD.
- A man
 - who walks with GOD. Noah and Enoch
 - who walks before GOD. Abraham Gen 17:1
 - who walks after GOD. One who follows God Hos 11:10

We Need Real Men Today!

- Christian Husbands
 - Honors, Cares, Protects, Leads HIS FAMILY
- Christian Leaders
 - In the Community
 - In the Church
- Christian Fathers

GOOD Examples from the Bible of GOOD FATHERS **Noah**

"a just man and perfect in his generation"

Abraham

"command his children and household after him"

Job

" a man of integrity and uprightness under great trials"

David "God fearing" even with mistakes

A Good man will lead his FAMILY in all areas Spiritual and Physical

Eph 6:4

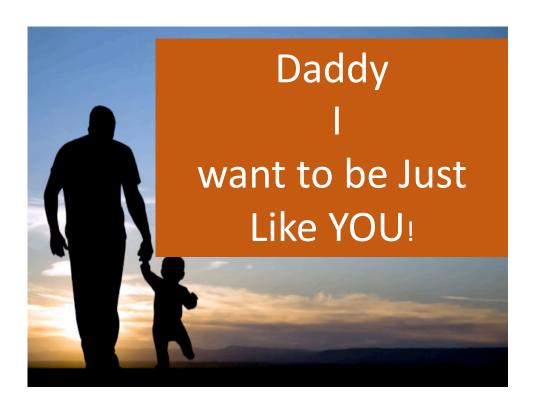
And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord.

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A Good Man will follow the HEAVENLY FATHER'S EXAMPLE

Luke 11:11-13

If a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish? ¹² Or if he asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will *your* heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"



Things FATHERS Need to Tell their Children:

- 1. YOU are made in the image of GOD
- 2. The Bible is the Word of GOD
- 3. There are Wicked and EVIL People in the World
- 4. Sin is REAL
- 5. Baptism is IMPORTANT. It how GOD saves us today!
- 6. Hell is Real and Heaven is GOD'S HOME

WE NEED CHRISTIAN FATHERS Serving GOD! Will You be a MAN OF GOD today?