A Father Shows The Way

John 14:6a (ESV)

Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life.”

The Purpose Of A Father

Provide, Protect, Guide

Isaiah 41:10 (NASB)

Do not fear, for I am with you; Do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, surely I will help you, Surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.

Ephesians 6:4 (AMP)

Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger [do not exasperate them to the point of resentment with demands that are trivial or unreasonable or humiliating or abusive; nor by showing favoritism or indifference to any of them], but bring them up [tenderly, with lovingkindness] in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

What To Teach Our Children

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (AMP)

All Scripture is God-breathed [given by divine inspiration] and is profitable for instruction, for conviction [of sin], for correction [of error and restoration to obedience], for training in righteousness [learning to live in conformity to God’s will, both publicly and privately – behaving honorably with personal integrity and moral courage]; so that the man of God may be complete *and* proficient, outfitted *and* thoroughly equipped for every good work.

I Love You

John 15:12-13 (AMP)

This is My commandment, that you love *and* unselfishly seek the best for one another, just as I have loved you. No one has greater love [nor stronger commitment] than to lay down his own life for his friends.

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (AMP)

Love endures with patience *and* serenity, love is kind *and* thoughtful, and is not jealous *or* envious; love does not brag and is not proud *or* arrogant. It is not rude; it is not self-seeking, it is not provoked [nor overly sensitive and easily angered]; it does not take into account a wrong *endured*. It does not rejoice at injustice, but rejoices with the truth [when right and truth prevail]. Love bears all things [regardless of what comes], believes all things [looking for the best in each one], hopes all things [remaining steadfast during difficult times], endures all things [without weakening].

You Are Very Special

Jeremiah 1:5 (AMP)

Before I formed you in the womb I knew you [and approved of you as My chosen instrument], And before you were born I consecrated you [to Myself as My own]; I have appointed you as a prophet to the nations.

You Are A Child Of God

John 1:12-13 (AMP)

But to as many as did receive *and* welcome Him, He gave the right [the authority, the privilege] to become children of God, *that is*, to those who believe in (adhere to, trust in, and rely on) His name – who were born, not of blood [natural conception], nor of the will of the flesh [physical impulse], nor of the will of man [that of a natural father], but of God [that is, a divine and supernatural birth – they are born of God – spiritually transformed, renewed, sanctified].

Believe God For Big Things

Jeremiah 29:11 (AMP)

For I know the plans *and* thoughts that I have for you,’ says the LORD, ‘plans for peace *and* well-being and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.

You Are A Winner

James 1:2-5 (AMP)

Consider it nothing but joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you fall into various trials. Be assured that the testing of your faith [through experience] produces endurance [leading to spiritual maturity, and inner peace]. And let endurance have its perfect result *and* do a thorough work, so that you may be perfect and completely developed [in your faith], lacking in nothing. If any of you lacks wisdom [to guide him through a decision or circumstance], he is to ask of [our benevolent] God, who gives to everyone generously and without rebuke *or* blame, and it will be given to him.

Joshua 1:8 (AMP)

This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall read [and meditate on] it day and night, so that you may be careful to do [everything] in accordance with all that is written in it; for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will be successful.

Romans 8:37 (NASB)

But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us.

Pray

Philippians 4:4-7 (AMP)

Rejoice in the Lord always [delight, take pleasure in Him]; again I will say, rejoice! Let your gentle *spirit* [your graciousness, unselfishness, mercy, tolerance, and patience] be known to all people. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious *or* worried about anything, but in everything [every circumstance and situation] by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, continue to make your [specific] requests known to God. And the peace of God [that peace which reassures the heart, that peace] which transcends all understanding, [that peace which] stands guard over your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus [is yours].

How Do We Teach Our Children

Instruct

Matthew 5:1 (NLT)

Jesus went up the mountainside with his disciples and sat down to teach them.

Demonstrate

John 13:15 (NKJV)

For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you.

Experience

Mark 6:7 (NKJV)

And He called the twelve to *Himself*, and began to send them out two *by* two, and gave them power over unclean spirits.

Assess

Luke 10:20 (NKJV)

Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven.