

## BEING GODLY EXAMPLES.

Father's Day  
June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025

One of the most important things that a man can give to his child is the godly example of intimate relationships. And a personal, intimate relationship with God.

1Timothy 2:8-NKJV

I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting;...

Passion - Therefore, I encourage the men to pray on every occasion with hands lifted to God in worship with clean hearts, free from frustration or strife.

Note how Jesus, after walking with His disciples for 3 years, one day said in:

John 15:15

"No longer do I call you servants...but I call you friends".

Passion - But I call you my most intimate friends, for I reveal to you everything that I've heard from my Father.

There are three things that seem to work against the possibility of really having a confident relationship with God...which enables us to have that type of relationship with our children ... as well as that fellowship with other men.

1. The painful absence of role models.

2. The ever-growing presence of corruption.

2Peter 2:7-8-KJV

7 And delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked:

8 (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed his righteous soul from day to day with *their* unlawful deeds;)

Vexed: to afflict or oppress with evils, wear with toil (harass)

3. The consciousness of our own failure.

Sometimes as men we need to be transparent with other men, we can trust in order to bring the healing we need into every area of our lives.

James 5:16-AMP

Confess to one another therefore your faults (your slips, your false steps, your offenses, your sins) and pray [*also*] for one another, that you may be healed and restored [to a spiritual tone of mind and heart]. The earnest (heartfelt, continued) prayer of a righteous man makes tremendous power available [*dynamic in its working*].

There are 3 basic levels of relationship.

Level one: Acquaintances.

Level two: Companionship.

Level three: Intimate friendships.