

Can Fathers Bless Their Children?

- Protector
- Provider
- Role Model
- Teacher
- Support
- Discipline
- Mentor
- Companion
- Guidance
- Stability

Fathers are the Spiritual Leaders of their home.

"Choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, as for me and my house we will serve the Lord." – Joshua 24:15

"Fathers, do not exasperate your children, instead, bring them up in the <u>training and instruction of the</u>
<u>Lord</u>." – Ephesians 6:4

Proverbs 22:6, 1 Timothy 3:4-5, Ephesians 5:23, Colossians 3:21, Proverbs 20:7

"I call heaven to witness that I have set before you a choice. Life or death. The blessing or the curse. So choose life. You and your descendants..." – Deuteronomy 30:19

The people in our life story made a choice to bless us- or not to bless us- and we make that same choice every day. – John Trent

One day some parents brought their children to Jesus so He could <u>touch and bless them</u>. But the disciples scolded the parents for bothering Him.

When Jesus saw what was happening, He was angry with His disciples. He said to them, "Let the children come to Me. Don't stop them! For the Kingdom of God belongs to those who are like these children. I tell

you the truth, anyone who doesn't receive the Kingdom of God like a child will never enter it." <u>Then He</u> took the children in His arms and placed His hands on their heads and blessed them. – Mark 10:13-16

IT'S OUR TO BLESS.	
1. Appropriate Meaningful	
The light of the eyes rejoices the heart, and good news refreshes the bones. – Proverbs 15:30 (ESV)	
2. Speak Affirming	

"So is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it." — Isaiah 55:11

"Words are powerful; take them seriously. Words can be your salvation. Words can also be your damnation." – Matthew 12:37 (MSG)

3. Demonstrating genuine ______.

So Jesus told them this story: "If a man has a hundred sheep and one of them gets lost, what will he do? Won't he leave the ninety-nine others in the wilderness and go to search for the one that is lost <u>until he</u> finds it? – Luke 14:3-4

"For the Lord your God was not willing that the curse rest upon you. But the Lord your God turned the curse into a blessing for you. Because the Lord your God loves you." – Deuteronomy 23:5

As soon as Jesus was baptized, He went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and lighting on Him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is My Son, whom I love; with Him I am well pleased." – Matthew 3:16-17

"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace." – Numbers 6:24

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Upcoming Events at CrossPointe:

June 22nd – Family FunDay

June 29th - Blood Mobile

Summer Speaker Schedule:

6/29 & 7/6 - Nick Adams

7/13, 7/20, 7/27 - Roger Goff



3. Commitment

Words

1. Touch

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Answers: