

## Bringing the Message to Life

Discuss and meditate on the following questions.

1. Regarding this sermon, is there any principle that stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful or difficult to grasp?
2. In what ways do you think your earthly father has shaped your life? Your view of God and faith?
3. Of the 4 types of father wounds mentioned, do any apply to you? If so, which ones? If not how is your heavenly father different than your earthly father?
4. How does your life change knowing your Heavenly Father “will never leave you or forsake you”?
5. As you celebrate Father’s Day, take time to thank God for the dads (fatherly roles) in your life, then thank them for fighting for you.

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- A. A dad’s vital role: A divine \_\_\_\_\_ — Psalm 127:4  
Sons need to be \_\_\_\_\_ and daughters need to be \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Four common “father \_\_\_\_\_” & how our Heavenly Father heals them
1. The \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ father--Distortion: “I need to \_\_\_\_\_ myself”  
\*Your Heavenly Father loves you because you are \_\_\_\_\_ not because of what you’ve \_\_\_\_\_ —Ps. 139:1-18  
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ father--Distortion: “I’ve got to be in \_\_\_\_\_”  
\*Your Heavenly Father is slow to \_\_\_\_\_ and abounding in love Ps. 103:8  
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ distant father--Distortion: “I don’t need \_\_\_\_\_”  
\*Your Heavenly Father is emotionally close to you, He counts your \_\_\_\_\_, stores your \_\_\_\_\_ and engraves you on His \_\_\_\_\_  
3 things every child needs to hear from their dad:  
“I \_\_\_\_\_ you, I’m \_\_\_\_\_ of you, You are really \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_”  
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ father--Distortion: “I am not \_\_\_\_\_”  
\*Your Heavenly Father will never \_\_\_\_\_ you -Hebrews 13:5
- C. Action Steps:
- Dads, if you want them to see a Father in God, let them see God in their father
  - Surrender to the Heavenly Father.
  - Forgive your earthly father, if needed.
  - Honor the “warrior” father in your home.