

The Perfect Father

Matthew 6:9

Introduction: Well, let me just start by wishing all our dads out there a “Happy Father’s Day!” If you’re a father, you know good and well, “Father’s Day” isn’t nearly as big as Mother’s Day. The truth of the matter is, dads don’t get a lot of bragging on, and none of us is or had a perfect dad. That’s why on this Father’s Day, I want to brag on my dad! No, I am not talking about my physical dad, though I could brag on him for a long time because, in my mind and eyes, he was a great father and dad! No, I am talking about my heavenly Father who is “*The perfect Dad!*”

Here in Matthew six, Jesus taught us to pray to our Father in heaven. In two words, Jesus defined the character and the nature of God. God is the Father of every believer and then He further defined the character of God when He says God is our Father in Heaven. That is, He is a heavenly Father or our “perfect Father.” Jesus was talking about the sphere of God’s existence. He is not a father like fathers on earth. Why? Because fathers on earth are imperfect.

Well, God is not an earthly father. He is a Heavenly Father. He is a perfect father, and that is what we want to look at in today’s message: What kind of father is God?

I. God is a caring Father: Ps 103:13

A. *God cares for you*

1. **The outstanding thing about having God** as our heavenly Father is He cares, He is compassionate. (Mk. 4:35-39)
2. **That’s what people want to know today about God**, “*Father, don’t you care?*”

I believe that just as surely as Jesus calmed the storm on the Sea of Galilee, He can calm the storm in our lives *no matter how great it is, no matter how dark and bleak it is*, if we believe in Him, and If we trust in Him, because He cares.

B. God cares about what concerns you. (1 Pe. 5:7) Sometimes your burden is so heavy you cannot throw it. So, don’t. Just drop the load and He will pick it up.

C. God cares about what you need. Psalm 35:27 Prosperity is much more than material.

- Prosperity is having a peace of mind.
- Prosperity is having peace of heart.
- Prosperity is having a sense of self-worth.
- Prosperity is knowing that you have a God in Heaven who knows your name.
- And the Bible says God delights in the prosperity of His servants.

Nothing makes a parent happier or more fulfilled than to see their children blessed. Well, if we feel that way, how much more does our perfect heavenly Father feel that way toward you and me? Because our perfect heavenly Father, is a caring father.

II. God is a consistent Father: God is a Heavenly Father who is consistent in every way. (James 1:17)

A. The one thing that is unfortunate about earthly fathers, sometimes earthly

fathers are inconsistent.

B. That is one fortunate thing about our heavenly Father - He is always consistent. His attitude toward you is always consistent. (2 Tim 2:13)

- **Our perfect Father God** is always consistent to His nature. (He is always the same; there is no turning with God).
- **Our perfect Father God** is always consistent in His faithful love for us. (1 Jn. 4:10; Rom.5:8)
- **Our perfect Father God** is always consistent in His care for us because He values us. (Mt. 6:26)

Because of His very nature, our perfect heavenly Father is consistent, never changing and always faithful and true.

III. God is a close Father: Acts 17: 22-23, 27

A. Their problem was they had too many gods.

B. Paul’s solution - He said (v. 27) this God you are looking for is not far from every

one of us. *What a wonderful truth it is that God is a close father!*

- *The psalmist said (Ps. 145:18)*
- *Paul said, (Rom. 10:13).*
- *God Himself said, (Jer. 33:3)*

I can tell you this today, I don’t know how close to God you are, but you are as close to Him as you want to be, because the Bible says if you want to be close to God, God wants to be close to you, and God wants to help you in every single part of your life. (Js. 4:8; (Ps. 34:18) Our perfect heavenly Father is a close Father and He knows what is going on in your life.

IV. God is a capable Father:

A. Our perfect Heavenly Father has no limitations. (Luke 1:37)

1. Jesus said, “for nothing is impossible with God.”
2. There is no problem He cannot solve, there is no prayer He cannot answer, there is no mountain He cannot remove. *Nothing shall be impossible with God.*

B. All earthly fathers have limitations. We cannot meet every need of our children as much as we would like to. But Eph 3:20 tells us that’s not so with our perfect heavenly Father.

C. Our perfect Heavenly Father wants to meet every need of His children. (Phil. 4:19)

When Paul said, “My God shall supply all your need”, was he talking to people everywhere of all time? No.

He was only talking to people who are believers. He was talking to the family of God. Paul was writing to the church. He was writing to those who know Christ. All who put their faith in trust in Christ, can claim the promises of God in (Gal 3:26).

And because of that, we can know that the Father and “our perfect heavenly Father” is capable of meeting every single need that we have. And He will do it because we belong to Him! (And all of God’s children said -AMEN!)