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# FATHER'S DAY MESSAGE

## Releasing Your Dad's Spiritual Gifts

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INTRO:

**I want to give you 2 Principles you can do to make your Father a BETTER Father**

- This will work on ANYBODY..... **Mother / Children / Boss / Friends**



## #1 **PRINCIPLE OF HONORING**



[ Mark 6.1- 5 NKJV ]

*Then He went out from there and came to His own country (hometown) , and His disciples followed Him. 2 And when the Sabbath had come, He began to teach in the synagogue. And many hearing Him were astonished (remember, Jesus grew up in their hometown) , saying, "Where did this Man get these things? And what wisdom is this which is given to Him, that such mighty works are performed by His hands! 3 Is this not the carpenter, the Son of Mary, and brother of James, Joses, Judas, and Simon? And are not His sisters here with us?" So they were **offended** at Him.*

*4 But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own country, among his own relatives, **and in his own house.**" 5 Now He could do no mighty work there, except that He laid His hands on a few sick people and healed them.*

- **The Son of God, was Limited by Dishonor**

- This is the Creator of the Universe.....

- All things were created by Him and for Him & all things exist through Him
- Jesus was doing great miracles and healings elsewhere... not here

## From this passage there are 2 things that cause DISHONOR....

- 1. **Familiarity** / comes from word Family
  - Everyone knows this quote... *"A prophet is not without honor except in his own country"*
    - .....But it goes further.... **Own Relatives** / **Own House**
- 2. **Offenses** / Bibles says they were offended at him
  - If you are Offended at someone, you'll never honor them
  - The offense has to be forgiven

**AMAZING...** If DISHONOR hindered Jesus from doing mighty works...  
Is it possible that Dishonor is hindering a Man in YOUR life???

I now want to speak as a representative for all men and dads....

## Ladies.... It's tough being a man

**Men are Confused.... We Don't know what you want??**

- Tough or Sensitive?..... AND when do you want which??
- *"I didn't tell you my problem so you can fix it"*
- *"Just Listen..." / 5 minutes later, "Why won't you talk to me??"*

**Sometimes I think you confuse us on purpose**

- *"Are you going to wear that??"*
  - I Never had a man say that to me....
  - Before hunting... *"You going to wear that?"*

*"It's after Labor day, you can't wear that!"*

- Picking out my own Clothes is a big one
  - *"No way... you're not serious??"*
  - OR... *"Did you wear that all day??"*
  - ....Did anyone see you??"
  
- Then my wife will ask... *"... which shoes should I wear??"*

**Men are like dog... Give them a little Praise and a treat now and then....  
.....You can train them**



**HONOR is a Man's #1 Need**



[ Ephesians 6.2-3 NKJV ]

*"Honor your father and mother," which is the first commandment with promise: **that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth.**"*

- There are many people that things DON'T go well with them because they Don't HONOR their parents
  
- **You can HONOR your Father and it can CHANGE things in Your life**

EXAMPLE: Noah getting Drunk

- One son made fun of him and talked about it
- Two other's Honored him

.....Two were Blessed / One was Cursed



## #2 PRINCIPLE OF RECEIVING



[ Matthew 10.40-41 NKJV ]

*“He who **receives** you **receives** Me, and he who **receives** Me **receives** Him who sent Me. 41 He who **receives** a prophet in the name of a prophet shall **receive** a prophet’s reward. And he who **receives** a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall **receive** a righteous man’s reward.”*

- Jesus is talking about RECEIVING....
  - Prophet / Righteous man / Jesus... Receive the Father

**Question is “How do we Receive??....”**

- When you receive a person in your life... **As God’s perfect Gift to YOU!**  
.....( they’re NOT perfect )

- If you Receive that person as God’s perfect gift to you....  
you actually release that person to be all God intended them to be in your life  
Until you receive Him... he can’t be all God created him to be

PERFECT EXAMPLE: Jesus



[ John 1.12 NKJV ]

*But as many as **received** Him, to them He gave the **right** ( Greek word exousian.. authority or power ) to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:*

- Jesus has all Power.... Save / Heal / Forgive  
.....**But none of that helps YOU... UNTIL you Receive Him**

**Jesus cannot be ALL God intended Him to be in YOUR LIFE... Until you Receive Him**

- When you Receive Him as God’s Perfect Gift...  
YOU RELEASE Him to be all God intended Him to be

This is why **NO Miracles** in Jesus' hometown...

- They Didn't receive Him as Son of God..
- They received Him as a carpenter

So when you Receive someone as **God's Perfect gift to you...**

You release that person **TO BE** all God intended them to be

- This works for **HUSBANDS / WIVES / FRIENDS / BOSSES**
- You might have a very imperfect Boss and Job you hate right now  
But say... "God I receive this as Your perfect gift to me at this time

- ~~So when you receive your SPOUSE as God's perfect gift....~~  
EVERYTHING changes

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**God will Join people of opposite together... to be married.**

- Talker with Grunter
- Early with Later

POINT... He's Perfect for You  
She's Perfect for You

- This is Reason for the Marriage Vows.....
- 2 Words for RECEIVING... **UNCONDITIONAL ACCEPTANCE**  
.....I Accept you for Better or for Worse

- If you make my life worse... I'm staying with you till death do us part

**\*\* If you will receive her as God's Perfect Gift.... It will Change Everything!!**

- For Richer or Poorer....
  - In Sickness and in Health....
  - You can live with someone and NOT Receive them...
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We can HONOR and RECEIVE people in our lives...

When we do.....

- We Release them to be all God wants them to be
  - AND... Your our lives will be Blessed
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## PRAYER

1. Holy Spirit, what are you speaking to me today through this message?
2. Who is it in my life I need to Honor and Receive??

If you are going through difficult times....

Health / Finances / Family / Relationship with God

If you Receive Him... He gives Power to be Children of God

If you need Prayer in any area of your life.... come forward

