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- 4 "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one! 5 You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.
- 6 "And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. 7 You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.

- 8 You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. 9 You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.
- Deuteronomy 6: 4-9 NKJV

- The righteous *man* walks in his integrity; His children *are* blessed after him.
- Proverbs 20:7 NKJV

10 Characteristics of a Godly Father

1. A godly father knows God

- John 14:23NKJV
- Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.

2. A godly father loves and honors his wife

 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, Ephesians 5:25 NKJ

3. A godly father accepts responsibility for his children's spiritual training.

- Proverbs 22:6 NKJV
- "Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it."

4. A godly father is continually aware of his influence

 11 For you know how, like a father with his children, ¹² we exhorted each one of you and encouraged you and charged you to walk in a manner worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and **glory.** 1 Thessalonians 2:11-12

5. A godly father models selfless service.

 "just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, "

Matthew 20: 28 NKJV

6. A godly father is consistent.

• "Father, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged." Colossians 3:21NKJV

7. A godly father disciplines his children appropriately.

 Hebrews 12: 9-10NKJV Furthermore, we have had human fathers who corrected us, and we paid them respect. Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live? ¹⁰ for them indeed for a few days chastened us as seemed best to them, but He for our profit, that we may be partakers of His holiness.

8. A godly father does not allow himself to be controlled by outside influences.

 "And what accord has Christ with Belial? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever? ¹⁶ And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them and walk among them. I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore Come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you. "I will be a Father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the LORD Almighty." 2 Corinthians 6: 15-18 NKJV

9. A godly father is a man under authority

- "Then Jesus answered and said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner."
- John 5:19 NKJV

10. A godly father will lead.

• ¹⁹ For I have chosen him, so that he will direct his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing what is right and just, so that the LORD will bring about for Abraham what he has promised him." Genesis 18: 19NIV

A godly Father

 Proverbs 17:6 says, "Children's children are the crown of old men, and the glory of children is their father."

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AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE WE WILL SERVE THE LORD

Joshua 24:15





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