

Prayer Topic #14:
A Prayer for Our Fathers

Scripture Reading:
Psalm 134, Psalm 128

Reflections of the Heart:

As a Church Family, we declare that our fathers are loving and compassionate leaders in their homes. They are successful in their communities, professional lives and in our Church. We praise and thank God for them, daily!

Scriptural Prayer:

Triumphant Father, we thank You for the fathers in our Church Family. Thank You for reminding them daily that they are created in Your image. Thank You for crowning each of them with glory and honor. Thank You for helping them to take their rightful place as the head of their homes. We, Your servants, give praise to You, Lord. Your Name will be blessed now and forever! Everywhere from east to west, Your Name shall be praised. Lord, You are high above the nations; Your glory is higher than the heavens. No one can be compared with You! Not to us, O Lord, but all glory will go to Your Name for Your unfailing love and Your faithfulness.

Majestic Father, by faith, we declare that the fathers in our Church Family are saved, sanctified, and filled with Your Holy Spirit. They are priestly providers and protectors of their families. We confess that our fathers will not copy the behavior and customs of this world; but they will allow You, Lord, to transform them into new men by changing the way they think. We decree that our fathers are the head and not the tail; they are always on top and never at the bottom. They are not victims of society; but they are more than conquerors through Christ Jesus. Their children will honor them; for this is right in Your sight. We confess that our fathers will not provoke their children to anger by the way they treat them; but they will raise them with the discipline and instruction that comes from You, our Heavenly Father. Above all, we confess that our fathers have victorious futures because Your plans for them are of hope, filled with good and not evil. We decree that the fruit of love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control are evident in their lives. The light of Jesus is reflected in their actions. We confess that our fathers are mighty men of valor.

I will pray for the following fathers in our Church Family this month:

Holy Spirit, we ask You to fill our fathers with the knowledge of Your Word in all wisdom and spiritual understanding. Please order their days so that their daily activities are balanced and fruitful. Make the crooked places in their lives straight and perfect those things that concern them. Help each father to not grieve Your Spirit. Teach them how to develop the individual spiritual gifts and talents of their children. Restore the broken or struggling relationships between fathers and children. Increase Your love in those father/child(ren) relationships that are doing well. Holy Spirit, comfort those who have experienced the death of their father and equip us as a Church Family to provide the support that they may need.

Faithful Father, forgive our fathers for sins of disobedience, selfishness, and lying. Forgive our wives and mothers for taking on the roles You have ordained for husbands and fathers. Forgive us as a society for focusing on the fathers who are not living up to their responsibilities while ignoring those who are taking care of their families. Father, forgive me for ***(list any sins that you have committed)***. Holy Spirit, remind our fathers of those they need to forgive and help them to be quick to forgive. As for me, Holy Spirit, bring to my remembrance those I need to forgive. ***(Take a moment and ask the Holy Spirit to show you names or faces of people that you may need to forgive. As He shows you, say aloud, "I forgive name of person(s)." Now, trust the Lord to heal any wounds in your soul caused by unforgiveness.)***

Holy Spirit, help our fathers to not yield to temptation; but deliver them from the evil one.

Exalted Lord, we praise Your Name. Your Name is great; Your glory towers over the earth and heaven. You are worthy, Lord, to receive glory, honor and power. You created all things; by your will they exist and were

created. You are Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture References for the Written Text: Genesis 1:26, Psalm 8:5, Psalm 113:1-5, Psalm 115:1, Romans 12:2, Deuteronomy 28:13, Romans 8:37, Ephesians 6:1,4, Jeremiah 29:11, Galatians 5:22-23, Matthew 5:14, Joshua 1:14, Colossians 1:9, Isaiah 45:2, Matthew 6:13, Psalm 148:13, Revelation 4:11, Isaiah 9:6

Today, I will trust God to:
