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"For he established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers, that they should make them known to their children: That the generation to come might know them, even the children which should be born; who should arise and declare them to their children: That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments:" (Psalm 78:5-7)

### B. \_\_\_\_\_

"My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways." (Proverbs 23:26)

## C. \_\_\_\_\_

"Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith." (Proverbs 15:17)

"The mouth of a righteous man is a well of life: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked." (Proverbs 10:11)

# CONCLUSION

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#### MESSAGE TITLE: EXCEEDING HER NEED FOR FAMILY COMMITMENT

"And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." (Ephesians 6:4)

#### INTRODUCTION

#### Facts Compiled by the Department of Justice:

- 63% of youth suicides are from fatherless homes.
- 90% of all homeless and runaway youths are from fatherless homes.
- 85% of children who exhibit behavioral disorders are from fatherless homes.
- 71% of high school dropouts are from fatherless homes.
- 70% of youths in state institutions are from fatherless homes.
- 75% of adolescent patients in substance abuse centers are from fatherless homes.
- 85% of rapists motivated by displaced anger are from fatherless homes.

# 1. A good father must be a \_\_\_\_\_

"For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body." (Ephesians 5:23)

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"Be thou diligent to know the state of thy flocks, and look well to thy herds." (Proverbs 27:23)

## B. Exercise \_\_\_\_\_

"He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city." (Proverbs 16:32)

"He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls." (Proverbs 25:28)

# C. Engage in ongoing enhancement of personal skills and exemplify high \_\_\_\_\_

"So he fed them according to the integrity of his heart; and guided them by the skilfulness of his hands." (Psalm 78:72)

# D. Abide by \_\_\_\_\_\_ and bylaws contained in the company policy manual

"Through wisdom is an house builded; and by understanding it is established: And by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with all precious and pleasant riches." (Proverbs 24:3-4)

# 2. A good father must be a \_\_\_\_\_

"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want." (Psalm 23:1)

# A. Spiritual

"Hear, ye children, the instruction of a father, and attend to know understanding. For I give you good doctrine, forsake ye not my law." (Proverbs 4:1-2)

#### How to meet this spiritual need:

- Walk with God
- Pray for your children
- Have family devotions
- Go to church
- Serve God as a family

B. \_\_\_\_\_together

"And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates." (Deuteronomy 6:6-9)

## Ideas for time together:

- Meals together as a family
- Family nights
- Attending church together
- Serving God together
- Family devotions
- Time with each child each week
- C. \_\_\_\_\_

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." (Proverbs 22:6)

"He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes." (Proverbs 13:24)

# 3. A good father must be a \_\_\_\_\_

**Quote:** "Your talk talks, and your walk talks, but your walk talks louder than your talk talks."

"Ye are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men: Forasmuch as ye are manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart." (2 Corinthians 3:2-3)

"Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you." (Philippians 4:9)

A. A\_\_\_\_\_with God