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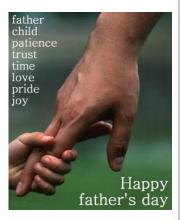
GODLY FATHERS

Billy Graham once said, "A good father is one of the most unsung, unpraised, and unnoticed and yet one of the most valuable assets in our society." God intended for fathers to do more than "bring home the bread." From a biblical standpoint the father is to be a provider, a protector, a priest, a guide, a teacher, and a disciplinarian.

Dr. R. G. Lee tells the story of a father whose young son was stricken with diphtheria and placed in isolation in the hospital. It was necessary for the parents to wear a mask while visiting their son. The little boy inquired, "Why are you dressed that way?" The father replied, "I want to protect others, for you are very sick." After some hesitation, the little fellow replied, "Daddy, am I going to die?" The dad who had taught his boy never to tell a lie said, "That is what the doctor says." After a great deal of inward agony, the father put a question to his boy: "Son, you are not afraid, are you?" From the sick bed the little boy replied, "Daddy, if God is like you are, I won't be afraid."

The home is the most basic institution in our society and a godly father is essential to its success! My prayer for all of our fathers and grandfathers here in Brookings that they will be godly fathers!

Pastor Jose Galvez



UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ Better Life TV camp meeting at Milo Academy will be June 14 –15 with Herb Larson Jr. as the keynote speaker.
- Fred Bischoff will be our guest speaker the weekend of June 28-29, 2013. He will give
- a little Adventist history and prophecy in a great controversy setting.
- The Church Board has voted to postpone the fall evangelism series until 2014 and replace it with a revival series

focused on "Falling In Love With Jesus."

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT:

You are driving down the road in your Corvette on a wild, stormy night, when you pass by a bus stop and you see three people waiting for the bus:

- 1. An old lady who looks as if she is about to die.
- 2. An old friend who once saved your life.
- 3. The perfect partner you have been dreaming about.

Which one would you choose to offer a ride to, knowing that there could only be one passenger in your car?

Think before you continue reading.

This is a moral/ethical dilemma that was once actually used as part of a job application.

You could pick up the old lady, because she is going to die, and thus you should save her first.

Or you could take the old friend because he once saved your life, and this would be the perfect chance to pay him back.

However, you may never be able to find your perfect mate again.

The candidate who was hired (out of 200 applicants) had no trouble coming up with his answer. He simply answered: 'I would give the car keys to my old friend and let him take the lady to the hospital. I would stay behind and wait for the bus with the partner of my dreams.

There's more than one way to face a challenge. Are we making the most of every opportunity?