

Matthew 7:9-11

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Heart of The Father

HAPPY
Father's
DAY



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The Providing Father

- **Provider of Goodness**

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The Providing Father

- **Providing the Most Prestige Identity**
 - *But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. (Galatians 4:4-5)*

The Providing Father

- **Providing the Fullest Care**
 - *Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.*
(Matthew 6:11-12)

The Perfecting Father

- **Guiding us to Grow into Perfection**
 - *You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect. (Matthew 5:48)*

The Perfecting Father

- **A Two-Prong Approach**

- 1) **Teaching Through the Law**

- *If it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. For I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, “You shall not covet.” (Romans 7:7)*

The Perfecting Father

- **A Two-Prong Approach**

- 2) **Delivering through Salvation**

- *In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.*
(Galatians 4:3-5)

The Perfecting Father

- **A Heartfelt Objective**

- **Sharing His Holiness**

- *For [earthly fathers] disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but [God the Father] disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. (Hebrews 12:10)*

The Perfecting Father

- **Priorities of Life for Children of God**
 - *Therefore do not be anxious, saying, “What shall we eat?” or “What shall we drink?” or “What shall we wear?” For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.*
(Matthew 6:31-33)

The Protecting Father

- **Jesus Urges Us to Pray for Protection**
 - *And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. (Matthew 6:13)*

The Protecting Father

- **A Double Doses of Keeping**

- 1) **The In-dwelling Spirit**

- *And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God. (Galatians 4:6-7)*

The Protecting Father

- **A Double Doses of Keeping**

- 2) **His Open Arms**

- *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:9)*

The Protecting Father

- **Humility – Key to Experience Protection**
 - *Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. (Matthew 5:3)*



**Abba Father,
I Love You!**