

Who is your real Father?

Who do you think of as your Father?

- All of us grew up with some pattern of an earthly dad, (whether present or absent). Even though we may acknowledge that God is our Father, that does not negate our past experience. We need to believe with our whole heart that God is our Father, knowing that God is a good God.

And call no *man* your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven,
Matthew 23:9.

Who is your life patterned after?

- Earthly idols, stars, sports figures, your parents or is it patterned against your heavenly Father?
- You have heard it said of a son, when he reaches a certain age, that, "he is just like his dad". This is nearly always meant of his earthly dad, and may or may not be a complement.
- However, pattern your life after your heavenly Father, who is in heaven.

Your heavenly Father desires to bless you

- However, receiving the blessing is up to you, you need to cooperate with His plans for your life.

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope, [Jeremiah 29:11](#).

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, [Ephesians 1:3](#).

Do the works of God

Jesus said: 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](#).

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven, [Matthew 5:16](#).

