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THIS MONTH'S MEDITATION SCRIPTURE: Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another, because love covers a multitude of sins. 1 Peter 4:8

Fathers and Sons-Revisited

In last month's newsletter, I wrote that my Dad was near death. Two days later, he was gone from the earth, and entered eternity with Jesus. In that article, I talked about my difficult relationship with him and how, though the Lord had brought much healing, because of his dementia, I was already mourning the loss of further healing that could have taken place. I received an overwhelming response from readers to what I shared, and this month I'm sharing those responses with you. Some are quite compelling. In this newsletter, I'm keeping those responses even more confidential than usual.

- Thank you so much for sharing this. I am so sorry for the pain of the loss you're experiencing even now. I know your boys are fully aware of the love you have for them. And for the grace you're able share. You have a wife who is very wise, dear friend.
- Good word, thank you for your letter, and thank you for sharing about your dad... praying.
- My father died of the same thing seven years ago, and our experiences sound similar in many ways. My prayer is for you to receive God's comfort as you mourn for your loss.
- I loved this letter, brother. The "three A's" that males need, I get that! Being the father of two boys and a girl, I will try to be careful about those items you mentioned. And once again, it's inspiring to see your courage in disclosing your past to your family. It's been a pleasure and a blessing to have known you, even though we live in different continents and have never met personally.
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- similar. He had some mental problems, probably a borderline paranoid personality disorder, and our relationship was very tense, and I faced similar struggles.
- Hard to read, but beautiful having lost my dad 5 years ago. I still have things I wished we could have resolved and talked about. Those things will be perfectly healed in heaven!
- Praying for you & your family in this time of grieving. The words are good advice for Fathers everywhere.
- Thanks so much for this newsletter! You shared your heart & helped me to feel & recognize my own grief. Love you brother.
- Thanks for being a light into our community. My condolences on the passing of your dad. Even when expected, a season of reflection and healing to follow. The Lord direct your steps.
- Praying for a peaceful transition from earth to his Heavenly Father's side for your Dad and for the peace of God to cover you and all the family members.
- Beautiful tribute to a father from his son.
- One of the ways that I remember your dad loving you was that he took a friend of yours and made her a part of your family. In many ways I felt more a part of your family than I ever felt about mine. I was proud to call your mom and dad, Mom and Dad Mingo. He will be missed as are your mom and my mom and dad. I long for the day when I will see them all again in heaven.
- Well said, brother! God has done a great work in you! And I know you are doing a great work for others.
- Thank you for sharing this, Daniel. I can relate in so many ways. Praying for you in this stage of finality brother.
- Prayers for you Daniel. I, too, had a father that had difficulty showing or expressing his love for his children. But I knew it was there, as he took good care of our needs. Your heartfelt words make such a beautiful story, and I'm sure you assist others with the weighty decisions in life. Hugs!
- Beautiful words that I pray will bring peace and healing to your heart and soul. You have raised an incredible family with the love and devotion of a remarkable woman. Know I love you and have always been proud of you. So sorry for your loss.
- Beautiful words that may help many people. I believe that there is even healing in your writing. Your story may be a book in the making. I pray for you and your family during this time. Peace and blessings being sent your way.
- Yes, very well said. We will be praying for you and your family during this difficult season. "Thank you GOD for your shalom peace that YOU give us in these situations."
- And your story is beautiful. I am watching my own mother come out of the hospital and dying. My daughter and I slept next to her in her room last night. Hospice is coming later. I appreciated your talking about the struggle with your dad.. my mom and did too. I am realizing how much she loved me and I do her. My life is about to be so different without her here. I am missing her already
- So sorry for your impending loss, Daniel. You speak for many of us who have complicated relationships with our parents. My parents had a contentious divorce which

- has made things hard for over forty years. I just have to take the bad, remember the good, and pray. Like you, I try to find redemption in how I relate to my kids.
- Thank you Daniel for writing not just a very moving article but a very poignant and
 insightful one. Praying for you during this season of sorrow. But I would also encourage
 you to focus on the healing you were able to achieve and not on the way you wish it
 could have been.
- Wow Daniel, your honesty, openness, and good hearted self expression.....very moving to me. I had some deep issues with my Dad but understood him much better as I got older as children usually do when life's pressures finally are experienced and appreciated generationally. I celebrate my good memories with him, taking me fishing as a kid, teaching me how to work hard on our Somerset Beef cattle farm, and especially his sharing (FINALLY) some of his VERY painful trauma from USMC service in WWII Okinawa, a horrible bloody battle and historic human tragedy. I think Dads usually do the best they can under their own limitations and of course circumstances. Peace be with You, Daniel. Even though I haven't seen you since the 1980's like everybody who knows you, you are a truly wonderful sensitive deep loving man.
- Beautiful share Daniel! Such wisdom and insight the Father has given you in raising your sons, loving your father and being grateful for what it was and what he could give to you. All of this the Lord is using so amazingly in His ministry to other men through your life story and deep love for Fran. Thank you Jesus for your redeeming love in our lives and our families.
- Thank you Daniel. I don't remember hugs being a normal part of my growing up although it was very clear Dad and Mom loved us a lot. It wasn't until Christ Center and when my folks returned from the mission field that I begin to hug them and received hugs in return. I may be wrong in my memories but that is how I remember it. Thankfully hugging has become a natural thing in my whole family since then and we got to express our love for Dad and Mom that way for many years before they passed away. Sorry to hear your Dad has just passed away. Our thoughts and love are with you. Thank you for your integrity in relaying your journey and your victory.
- My father too passed on June 22nd. I too had a father whose love language was the same as your dad's. I too dug my hole and he died without us being reconciled. I too realized his love for me in so many ways. I'm happy you shared this testimony. Now, if we could just instill into our young people. Thank you Daniel. May your dad always RIH.

Upcoming Ministry Meetings

Family & Friends Group: Tues, Oct. 24, 2017; Tues, Nov 7, 2017; Mon, Nov 27, 2017

Overcomers Group: Thurs, Nov. 2, 2017; Thurs, Nov 16, 2017; Thurs, Nov 30, 2017

Upcoming Prayer Initiatives

Louisville Prayer Breakfast: Wednesday, November 1, 2017, 7:00-8:30am. Ramada Inn on Zorn Ave at I-71 in Louisville, Salon D. \$6.00 Continental Breakfast. Speaker is Andrew Hamilton of Child Evangelism Fellowship.

1 Voice Prayer Movement: 8th Anniversary Celebration, Friday, November 3, 2017 6:00pm Christ's Church for Our Community, 1226 Krupp Park Drive, Louisville, KY 40213

Ongoing Prayer Requests

As always, we covet your prayers for our ministry to grow, financial support to increase, to move forward proclaiming freedom to the captives, and that churches would open their doors to Abba's Delight. We are beginning to see some answered prayer around being invited into churches. Please pray for our ministry participants, our Family & Friends Support Group, our meetings, our conferences, events at which we sponsor and exhibit, our Board of Directors, and most importantly that many lives will be touched by the Holy Spirit to draw closer to Jesus, seeking freedom from their bondage. Please pray that church leaders and congregations will awaken to the necessity of being prepared Biblically with wisdom and God's love to face head-on the growing numbers of those in our congregations who are being impacted, either directly, or indirectly through a loved one, by homosexuality and the ever-increasing acceptance of gay and transgender life in our culture. Thank you.

End of Year Charitable Giving

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Now unto Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy, to the only God our Savior through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority before all time and now and forever. Amen. Jude 24-25