Knowing God: He is Our FATHER Matthew 6:9

When the <u>Father</u> goes <u>FIRST</u> Spiritually, <u>Good</u> <u>Things</u> happen at Home.

We need Dads to Follow the Divine Example of our Heavenly Father.

Part of "KNOWING GOD" is Understanding that GOD IS <u>Your FATHER</u>. (Matthew 6:9-10, Malachi 10:1 Ephesians 4:6)

We should see <u>SIMILARITIES</u> between our Heavenly <u>Father</u> & the <u>Christian</u> <u>Dad</u> who <u>Strives</u> to be the <u>BEST</u> he can be...

- 1. OUR HEAVENLY FATHER LOVES & PROVIDES FOR HIS CHILDREN.
- The Primary <u>Character</u> Trait of our Heavenly Father is <u>Expressing LOVE</u>. (1 John 3:1)
- The Father's LOVE was Expressed BEST in Providing what we Needed Most...Being Saved from the Penalty of sin. (John 3:16)
- Dads who <u>Truly Love</u> their children will Adequately <u>Provide</u> for their <u>Needs</u> & then <u>Some</u>. (Matthew 6:11, Matthew 7:7-11)
- If you're a <u>Christian Dad</u>, your kids should <u>Know</u> it by the <u>WAY</u> you <u>LOVE</u>.

2. OUR HEAVENLY FATHER <u>KNOWS</u> & <u>FORGIVES</u> HIS CHILDREN.

- Does God really <u>KNOW</u> How Hard it is to live a <u>Faithful Life</u>?
- Jesus **Experienced How Difficult** it is to Live Godly in an UnGodly world. (Hebrews 4:15)
- The FATHER Knows "YOU." (Psalm 103:13-14)
- Our Heavenly Father Offers us what we need most... Forgiveness of sin. (Ephesians 1:7)
- If you're a <u>Christian Dad</u>, your kids will need Plenty of <u>Grace</u> & <u>Mercy</u>.

3. OUR FATHER <u>SAVES</u> & <u>WANTS</u> THE BEST FOR HIS CHILDREN.

- Amazing Fathers always wants <u>What's Best</u> for their children.
- Although we <u>Know SIN</u> can <u>Destroy</u> us, we Still <u>FLIRT</u> with it. (Matthew 6:13)
- What did our Loving, All-Knowing, Heavenly Father DO? (1 John 4:14)
- What the Father <u>Wanted</u> Most for us was to Be <u>FREED</u> from the <u>Bondage</u> of Sin's <u>Penalty</u> AND Sin's <u>Power</u>. (Romans 3:21-24)
- Our Heavenly Father will <u>NEVER</u> let you go. (John 10:27-30)
- What <u>Better</u> <u>Way</u> to Celebrate <u>Father's</u> <u>Day</u> than to <u>Receive</u> the <u>Salvation</u> our Heavenly Father <u>Offers</u>?