Finding Faithful Fathers Psalm 112:1-10

"Who can find a <u>FAITHFUL</u> <u>MAN</u>?" (Proverbs 20:6)

If FAMILIES are to <u>Survive</u> this century, MEN will have to STOP Behaving <u>FAITHLESS</u> & START Behaving <u>FAITHFUL</u>.

Psalm 112 CHALLENGES US, as Men, in 4 <u>SPECIFIC AREAS</u> that Help Us Become FAITHFUL MEN & FATHERS.

1. <u>ACKNOWLEDGE</u> YOUR INFLUENCE.

- As a <u>HUSBAND</u>, We Have A Powerful Influence On Our <u>WIVES</u>.
- Being the "<u>HEAD</u> of your wife" means you are <u>Responsible</u> for HER <u>Well-Being</u>.
- As A <u>FATHER</u>, We Have A Powerful Influence On Our <u>CHILDREN</u>.
- If you're NOT <u>Faithful</u>, NOT ONLY will you <u>Wreck</u> your <u>OWN Life</u>, you'll likely <u>Wreck</u> the Lives of your <u>Children</u> too.

2. AVOID THE PITFALLS.

- 4 PITFALLS that sometimes come with being a MAN...
- Becoming An <u>ARROGANT</u> Husband & Father.
- Becoming An <u>AUTOCRATIC</u> Husband & Father.
- Becoming An ABSENTEE Husband & Father.
- Becoming An ABUSIVE Husband & Father.

ARRANGE YOUR PRIORITIES.

- Many Men have their Priorities all Out of WHACK...
- A Faithful Man's FIRST Priority Must Be GOD. (v.1)
- A Faithful Man Makes a <u>Priority</u> of His <u>FAMILY</u>. (v.2)
- A Faithful Man Makes a <u>Priority</u> of Developing <u>CHARACTER</u>. (vv.3-8)

4. ASSUME YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES.

- Assume Your <u>FINANCIAL</u> Responsibilities. (v.9a)
- GENEROSITY is a <u>Major Part</u> of financial stewardship.
- Assume Your <u>SPIRITUAL</u> Responsibilities.
- Someday you will Give an <u>Account</u> to GOD for how you <u>USED</u> Your God-given Gifts & <u>LED</u> Your Family Spiritually.
- The Time to Deal with the <u>Spiritual Condition</u> of your <u>LIFE</u> & your <u>FAMILY</u> is Right Now!