FATHER'S DAY

June 18, 2023

ALL MEN ARE MALES BUT NOT ALL MALES ARE MEN.

ALL MALES WITH CHILDREN ARE FATHERS BUT NOT ALL FATHERS ARE MEN.

ALL GOOD FATHERS ARE MEN AND THEY ARE OFTEN CALLED DADDY.

Just because the body of a boy grows into the body a man not mean that he is a man. It is what one thinks that determines whether a male is a man, not his age.

Things that are not required to be a man:

- 1, A male is not a man because he is physically strong. Musscles does not make a man, and neither does his clothes, his money, or his car.
- 2, There is no certain height or weight required to be a man.
- Having a deep voice and a macho attitude certainly does not have anything to do with being a man.
- 4, A man accepts responsibility. He realizes that he is responsible for his family and he doesn't blame others for the family becoming dysfunctional.
 - a. He understands the way that God structured the family and how He gave the husband authority over his wife and children.
 - b. He recognizes that if he doesn't assert that authority, he will lose it.
 - c. He also recognizes that it is more important to be respected, than to be liked. He is to be firm yet fair.

- d. He doesn't have to feel guilty for making rules and seeing that they are carried out. Give incentives to comply.
- e. He encourages his wife and children. He loves them and he tells them he loves them.
- f. He is not a drill sergeant barking out orders. He is sensitive and compassionate. He is tender and gentile and yet he is as hard as nails and as tough as a boot when necessary.
- g. He lives his life in a way that demands respect and he expects to be respected from others.
- h. He acknowledges his mistakes and apologizes to those who he has mistreated.
- i. He realizes that he is responsible for teaching and training his children and discipling them when necessary.
- j. <u>Ephesians 6:4</u> And, fathers, do not provoke your children to anger; but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.
- k. He takes time with his children in order to train them properly. How to fix a flat tire, how to fish, hunt, be discerning of bad company, etc.