

Do you ever sit down and think about the kind of father you are or hope to be? Fatherhood is not an easy job, and [raising children has its own challenges](#). However, it is one of the most amazing and fulfilling experiences, knowing that you have brought up your kids in the ways of our Lord.

For Christians, we rely on God's Word as our guide for everything. What better way for a Christian father to bring up their kid than with the great understanding of the Bible and what Jehovah requires of us?

Considering that we live in a modern world, many people have come to believe that the Bible is an old and outdated book.

However, there are many lessons from the Holy Book that one can still apply during these modern times, even in parenting and more specifically, fatherhood.

What Does It Mean to Be a Christian Father?

5 Principles to Carry with You

1. Train and Discipline Your Children
(Proverbs 22:6, Proverbs 3:11-12, and Ephesians 6:4)

As a father, [your duties](#) include raising your children in the ways of our Lord. That means being the first teacher your kids will ever encounter, and their guide to what is right or wrong.

Also, your kids must know that you are there for them; offering them words of encouragement and supporting them in their life

decisions as they learn how to navigate the world and live right by the Word.

When your children do wrong, ensure you discipline them according to God's commandments. Also, stand firmly by your convictions, even if you have a soft plan for the kids. Remember that all the discipline you instil must come from a place of love. As the Scripture says in Proverbs 13:24, "He who spares the rod hates his son, but he who loves him chastens him sometimes."

Start training your kids on what they should and should not do from an early age. As the Bible states, "even when they grow old, they will not turn from it."

2. Providing for And Protecting Your Family (1 Tim 5:8)

Apart from being a guide and a teacher for your children, the Scripture also says that a [Christian father](#) also needs to be a provider and protector.

However, do not let the pursuit of wealth and the riches of the world lead you to neglect your family and the emotional needs of your children. Your children still need to see and communicate with you often to help build a connection and a sense of belonging and love in a Christian family.

3. Being A Father Like God the Father (Malachi 4:6, Psalms 103:13)

If you are looking for a great example of a father, Jehovah God, our everlasting father is an excellent choice. His teachings show one how to be a great Christian father, bringing up your kids with patience, love, care, and compassion.

4. Never Give Up on Your Family and Kids (Isaiah 43:2, Luke 15:11-32)

One of the greatest and best parables that show a Christian father how to never give up on their kids or family is the parable of the prodigal son. In the parable, the son abandons his father's home, but after squandering his inheritance on decadent living and going through hardships and suffering, he gives up on his pointless life and decides to return to his father's house and beg to be accepted as a servant.

Much to his disbelief, his father welcomes him back with open arms and even prepares a party to celebrate his return. As a Christian father, you should never give up on your children, no matter how challenging parenting becomes.

Stay strong and keep faith in what you believe and in God and believe that he will hold you every step of the way.

5. Pray for Your Family (1st Chronicles 29:19)

And finally, never forget to keep your family in your prayers all the time. Prayer is a powerful thing; it can change many situations in one's life, cement their belief and standing in the Word of Lord Jah, and even move mountains. Prayer is also one of the ways one can instill all the teachings from God in their kids from a young age.

Your family and your kids will always feel protected and loved knowing that their father keeps them in his prayer. Ensure that you always create time to pray together with your children as well as for them. This could be during bedtime or when you are having meals or about to travel.

Whenever you get a chance, ensure you have a word of prayer with your kids. Pray for their health, physical, emotional

and spiritual, their protection, and a great future in their endeavours.

When it comes to bringing up children in the Way of Jeshua, fathers play a big and essential role in this. With the above 5 principles from the Bible, you will have an easier time bringing up your children in the teachings of God.

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