

## Colossians 3:21 The Fatherhood of God

- John 8:42-44
- Romans 8:9, 14-15
- John 1:12-13
- Matthew 7:11

## The Goal of Christian Fathers

- Raise Children who Hope in God
- Raise Children who are Happy in God
  - -James 4:9 & Psalm 4:7-8
- Raise Children who are Confident and Courageous in God
  - -2 Corinthians 1:8-9
  - -Psalm 60:11-12

## What Do Fathers Do That Provoke Long-term Discouragement and Hopelessness

- 1. Failing to be Happy and Hopeful and Confident in God.
  - 1 Peter 1:16
  - Luke 6:36
- 2. Impulsive, Erratic, and Inconsistent Discipline

## Fathers as Leaders in the Home

- Responsible for the moral life of the family.
- Leader in discipline and instruction of children.
- Primary model of Godliness to the Children.