

Sermon Notes 06.18.2023 – Father's Day

God's Blessing on Israel – Because God Loved Their Fathers

Deuteronomy 4:35-37 "To you it was shown that you might know that the LORD, He is God; there is no other besides Him. **36** "Out of the heavens He let you hear His voice to discipline you; and on earth He let you see His great fire, and you heard His words from the midst of the fire. **37** "**Because He loved your fathers, therefore He chose their descendants after them.** And He personally brought you from Egypt by His great power,

Regarding Abraham

Gen 18:19 For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.

The Blessing is Not Without Expectations from God

So circumcise your heart, and stiffen your neck no longer

Deuteronomy 10:15-21 "Yet on your fathers did the LORD set His affection to love them, and He chose their descendants after them, *even* you above all peoples, as *it is* this day. **16** "So circumcise your heart, and stiffen your neck no longer. **17** "For the LORD your God is the God of gods and the Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God who does not show partiality nor take a bribe.

Trust in God

Psalms 22:4 In You our fathers trusted; They trusted and You delivered them.

Tell the Children What God Has Done

Psalms 44:1 For the choir director. A Maskil of the sons of Korah. O God, we have heard with our ears, Our fathers have told us The work that You did in their days, In the days of old.

Isaiah 38:19 "It is the living who give thanks to You, as I do today; **A father tells his sons about Your faithfulness.**

Psalms 78:2-7 I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings of old, **3** Which we have heard and known, And our fathers have told us. **4** We will not conceal them from their children, **But tell to the generation to come the praises of the LORD, And His strength and His wondrous works that He has done.** **5** For He established a testimony in Jacob And appointed a law in Israel, Which **He commanded our fathers That they should teach them to their children,** **6** **That the generation to come might know, even the children yet to be born, That they may arise and tell them to their children,** **7** **That they should put their confidence in God And not forget the works of God, But keep His commandments,**

Father's – Why Would God Love You & Bless Your Children?

The Rest Doesn't Matter Much Without This:

John 6:28-29 "Therefore they said to Him, "**What shall we do, so that we may work the works of God?**" **29** Jesus answered and said to them, "**This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He has sent.**"

Things to Always Keep & Do

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 Rejoice always;

17 pray without ceasing;

18 in everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

19 Do not quench the Spirit;

20 do not despise prophetic utterances.

21 But examine everything *carefully*; hold fast to that which is good;

22 abstain from every form of evil.

23 Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. **24** Faithful is He who calls you, and He also will bring it to pass.

Galatians 6:9 **Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary.**

Hebrews 11:6 And without faith it is impossible to please *Him*, for **he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.**