

“Pictures Of Fathers In The O.T. Scriptures”

Lesson Text: **Romans 15:4.** Fathers Are: Providers, Protectors, Teachers, Spiritual Leaders.

I. Adam, As A Father.

- Adam, “Man.” The First Human Father.
- **Genesis 2:21-25.** He Understood The Value Of Marriage.
- **Genesis 4:1-2,** The First Father To Raise Sons And Daughters (**4:17**).
- He Had No Example To Follow, No Fatherly Advice For Parenting.
- Also, The First Father To Lose A Son- **Genesis 4:8.**
- Seth Was Born- **Genesis 4:25-26.**

II. Noah, As A Father.

- The Son Of Lamech- **Genesis 5:28-30.**
- Noah Was Farmer- **Genesis 5:29; 9:20.**
- He Had Three Sons- **Genesis 5:32.**
- First Father To Go Through God’s Punishment For Sin- **Genesis 6-7.**
- By Faith, He Built The Ark To Save His Family- **Hebrews 11:7.**
- He May Have Enlisted His Sons In The Ark Building??
- He Was A Great Example Of Faith, Obedience, and Worship- **Genesis 6:22; 7:5; 8:18-21.**

III. Abraham, As A Father.

- Abram, “High Or Exalted Father.”
- **Genesis 17:5,** God Changed His Name To Abraham, “Father Of A Multitude.”
- Abraham Waited 25 Years To Have Isaac The Son Of Promise, **Genesis 12:4—21:1-4.**
- **Genesis 22:1-19,** God Tested His Obedience In Offering Isaac.
- He Taught His Son To Believe and Obey God, Passed On God’s Promise- **Genesis 18:19; 32:9-10.**

IV. Isaac, As A Father.

- Isaac, “He Laughs.” **Genesis 17:17.**
- Isaac And Rebekah Have Two Sons, Jacob And Esau, **Genesis 25:25-28.**
- Jacob And Esau Would Be At Odds With Each Other, **Genesis 25:21-24.**

V. Jacob, As A Father.

- **Genesis 29:15-30,** Jacob Married Leah And Rachel.
- Jacob Had 12 Sons, The Leaders Of The 12 Tribes Of Israel.
- **Genesis 32:22-26,** Jacob Shows Great Faith & Perseverance.
 - **vs. 27-30,** His Name Was Changed To Israel.
- He Had Some Challenges With His Sons: Dealt With Jealousy In **Genesis 37:3-4; 49:1-28.**

VI. Moses, As A Father.

- Moses Married Zipporah, The Daughter Of Jethro, **Exodus 2:21.**
- **Exodus 18:2-4,** Moses Had Two Sons, Gershom And Eliezer.
- **Exodus 4:24-26,** Moses Fails To Circumcise His Son, But Zipporah Does So To Save His Life.
- Moses Sends His Family Back To Jethro, Then They Meet Him At Sinai, **18:2-12.**

VII. Joshua, As A Father.

- The Son Of Nun- **Numbers 14:6** (11 times in Numbers Alone).
- **Numbers 11:28; Exodus 33:11,** Very Little Is Said Of His Family Until Later On.
- **Joshua 24:14-15.** His Decision He And All His Family Made To Be Loyal To God.
- As A Father, He Did Not Want His Family Lost To Idolatry And Sin.