



New Berean News

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God's Minute

Dear New Berean, June is a special month that we show love and appreciation to our fathers, our daddies, our male role model. Are we showing the same admiration to our Spiritual father? The greatest experience I've had in my life is the realization that God is my Father. He adopted me to be his very own child! I hope you've had that same realization. Even if your relationship with your dad was not the greatest, you can discover that God is a loving Father.

We know that God is the kind of father that is gentle and playful with little

children because Jesus showed us this. He took time to sit with children in his lap, to give them a blessing, and to offer encouraging words. **(Matthew 19:13-15)** How do you feel inside when you pray to God, calling Him "Father"? Do feel safe and warm and cared for? (As the sparrow in **Luke 12:6-7** and the little chicks in **Psalm 91**). Do you see Him smiling with arms open wide to you? (As He's portrayed in the Parable of the Prodigal Son, **Luke 15:11-32**) "How great is the love the Father has lavished on us that we should be called children of

God!" - **1 John 3:1**

So this month and every month tell your spiritual father you love him, adore, him, appreciate and honor him all the days of your life.



"All your children shall be taught by the Lord, and great shall be the peace of your children"

Special points of interest:

- ☺ We are God' creation.
- ☺ Allow God's word to transform you.
- ☺ Believe his word.
- ☺ Celebrate God with song and praise.
- ☺ Trust in HIM with all your heart.

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Prayer: Stress reliever

It shall come to pass that before they call, I will answer; and while they are still speaking, I will hear.

(Isaiah 66:24 NKJV)

Tap into the power of prayer. A creative way to align yourself with God's highest will for your life is to write an affirmative prayer. One way is to personalize a Scripture verse and make it into a prayer. The Lord is on my side and I am not afraid (Psalm 118:6)

Another way is to create an affirmative sentence that addresses a challenge you might be facing. Here are a few affirmations to get you started:

- *My good comes to me under grace in perfect ways.
- *Before I call, I am answered.
- *God is my unfailing supply.

*I am divinely led.

Create a one-sentenced personal affirmation or prayer. Write it on an index card and carry it as a daily reminder.

A Christian father's role

God is gracious. Your family structure may not match the ideal or God's original intent, but God is greater than any circumstance that you face. He is a Father to the fatherless (Ps. 68:5) and can enable you to raise your children properly regardless of the circumstances. In addition, He can provide you the support and help you need through His people.

The concept of fatherhood is also important in the Bible because God has a specific design for how the family is to operate, and at the center of it is the **father**.

1 Cor 11:3 also bring this out saying,

"For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also is the head of the church," The husband has the responsibility of directing the family. How blessed are those raised by fathers who have the Word of God on their hearts. They want good for their children and so they also want their children to know God and follow Him. They strive to demonstrate in every way that God is the most important thing in their own lives. They live what they say they believe. Not only are their children blessed, but so are their children's friends who will see this as well. The father has something

that is real to pass on to the child. If a father wants to raise their child in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, the truths of the Word of God must be on his heart affecting his life and not just in his mind.

Now a father has many different responsibilities. Some of these are a great joy and others are a little harder to accomplish. A father is responsible to:

Provide for his family (**Mt. 7:9-1; 1 Tim 5:8**)

Instruct his children (Prov. 1:8)

Exhort, encourage and implore children (**1 Thess 2:11**)

New Berean Children YOU have a purpose

Isn't that so amazing! God had picked you out, before the world was created, to be His own. You were born into this world for a purpose. God had predestined us to fulfill a God-given calling. Did you know that you have a special plan for your life that only you can fulfill? How does that make you feel? Pretty special I would think. It should do, because you are. There is

nobody else that can ever take your place in this universe. They won't be able to fulfill your purpose, because God has designed it for you - and YOU only. No one else has your personality, your abilities, or your gifts to carry out the calling God has for you. Only you can, because God has created YOU to fulfill it. So know your purpose, know your destiny and

live it out in your life .

Stay Focused

-In a world in which there are so many people teach so many different doctrines, some good and some not. Some teachings are similar and some are so far off the path. NNBC Ministry encourages you today to take time and know who's teaching you are following. It is of the utmost importance that we stay locked in to the sound, practical teachings of the Lord Jesus.

In doing so, we will be listening to the voice of the truth. As young children we were discouraged from listening or even talking to strangers. The fear for our parents was that the unknown language of the stranger was something that could lead us into places of danger and deceit that would end up disastrous. Their concern was always vigilant and stern. The voice of the Lord will always lead us in the paths

of righteousness. He will always tell us what is upright, honest, just and holy. Study to show ourselves approved unto God. Discerning that which is ungodly based upon the authentic, pure voice of Jesus. He loves you.

Bro. Steve Barnes

Ephesians 1:11-12
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11 In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, **12** in order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory.

Why do we worship?

Why do we worship-We worship God because of who He is and what He has done. For our worship to be right and acceptable, it must be expressed because: We were created to worship. Man was made to be a responder. We were made to find our fulfillment by responding with thankfulness to the greatness and goodness of God. God is trying to call us back to that for which He created us, to worship Him and to enjoy Him forever. We are commanded to worship. He uses our worship to accomplish His purpose. Worship is an essential part of His plan, as we give Him honor, he puts us in a position that enables us to know and enjoy His goodness. Our worship

pleases Him. Because true worship brings us to God, He takes pleasure in our attitudes of the heart that bows us low or lifts us up in appreciation of His matchless wonder. Our worship proclaims Him to others. "We worship God, we will find Him far too wonderful to keep to ourselves". We must be sincere, it must be true expression of our hearts.

Benefits of Worship:

Forgiveness 1 Jhn.1:9

Guidance Ps 25:4-12

Provision Matt: 6:3-6

Love Ps 63:3

Protection Ps 5:11-12



Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. Isaiah 12:5

Father's cont.

Punish unruly children (Dt. 21:18-21)

Raise the children in the discipline and nurture of the Lord without provoking them or exasperating them causing them to lose heart (Eph. 6:4; Col. 3:21)

Discipline his children (Heb 12:7)

Love his wife (Eph 5:25,28,33)

Of course a father also gets the benefits:

Children commanded to obey (Eph 6:1)

Children commanded to honor the parents (proper respect - (Dt. 5:16; Mt. 15:4, Eph 6:2)

Children directed to seek his advice (Dt 32:7; Prov 4:1; 23:22)

Children directed to care of him, if unable to do so himself (1 Tim 5:8)

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Summer in the SON

Remember that God is Always There. Even in the driest times, when you just don't feel God's presence, you need to remember that God is always there. He does not forget you. True faith is developed even when you don't feel God.

Deuteronomy 31:6

Pray: Start your day out with a

prayer and, if you have time, read God's word. **Mark 1:35**

Daily Devotional: Developing long-term habits is important to maintaining your faith. A daily devotional will keep you in the Word and enhance your prayer life. It will also keep you closer to God even when you struggle in your faith. **Philippians 2:12-13**

Study: The Christian handbook for

life is the bible. It contains God's Word to man, his instructions for living. Therefore, reading and studying the Bible is one of the most important essentials in spiritual development.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Spend your summer getting to know the SON!

Our Sick and Shut-in

Father, hear our prayers for the sick and shut in of our church and for those in need. Show your mercy as you make broken bodies whole. May these special people find lasting health and deliverance so they may join us in thanking you for all your gifts.

Amen,
New Berean members



Youth Skate Night

June 29, 2013 7pm-10pm

Greenbrier Skating Cnt

Cost pp \$8.00 includes skates, pizza and drink. See Sis. Sheena or Sis. Charmaine

Bring Your Articles and Ideas. Calling all New Berean members! If you have an article, a word of encouragement, a poem, an upcoming program or event, or anything uplifting you would like to share, you are welcome to submit it and we will be more than happy to include your article in the New Berean Newsletter. The deadline to have your article included is the 1st Sunday of each month. You can also email your articles to: nbnews01@gmail.com. All articles received after the 1st Sunday may not be included until the following month. We look forward to hearing from you.

Congratulations

Youth Movie night

June 14, 7pm-9pm

Movie, candy, pizza, drinks,
Prize to the member who



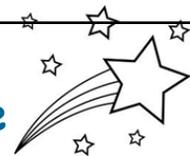
To all the youth on your advancement to the next grade level. We are proud of you all.

Marketing & Advertising Committee

Have you ever heard the saying "you are what you eat"? Well you can tell a lot by what you wear. Shoploveinprint.com provides inspiring fashion with a plethora of prints and patterns. With a selection geared toward an entire family. You can promote Christ without speaking one word. Although it's a structured business Love in Print exudes the very attributes of an outreach ministry. Our purpose is to edify and encourage others through gospel t-shirts, handmade jewelry and inspirational cards. Who are we? Owner, Sheena G., the hand crafter & message promoter along with Amber P., the fashionista and graphic mastermind. Together providing you with handmade life essentials with love and you in mind. Join the movement, we taking being young unashamed to another level, Kingdom building through fashion.

Love in Print and the NBBC youth ministry, Crosswalk ministries, are collaborating to celebrate Youth Summer 2013. Get your tee to celebrate our ministry here at New Berean to be worn to King's Dominion, youth explosion and/or vacation bible school. Preorders open June 9th through June 30th

New Berean Stars of the month for June



Birthdays

Bro. W. Ashburne

Sis. D. Goodwin

Bro. Parker

Bro. D. Pierce

Anniversary

Sis. M. Johnson

Stars of the month

Sis. Sheila Jordan

Bro. Anthony Lawhorn

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