



CAN of WORMS

#2 Father Wounds

Malachi 4:5-6 “See, I will send you the prophet Elijah before that great and dreadful day of the LORD comes. He will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers; or else I will come and strike the land with a curse.”

1. EVERYONE LONGS TO HAVE A GOOD FATHER

Instruction and **DISCIPLINE**

Encouragement and **CHALLENGE**

LOVE and Affection

Provision and **PROTECTION**

Affirmation and **BLESSING**

STABILITY and Faithfulness

2. NO EARTHLY DAD CAN BE A PERFECT FATHER TO HIS CHILDREN

3. IMPERFECT FATHERING RESULTS IN WOUNDED HEARTS

- Proliferation of **PAINKILLERS**
- Confusion about **MASCULINITY**

- **PASSIVE** Men
- **VIOLENT** Men
- Rampant **IMMORALITY**
- **DESPISED** Dads

4. THE HEAVENLY FATHER OFFERS HIMSELF AS A PERFECT DAD

John 14:18,23 I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you...If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.

Galatians 4:6-7 Because you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, “Abba, Father.” So you are no longer a slave, but a son; and since you are a son, God has made you also an heir.

1John 3:1 How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!

“Lord, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us.”

BIBLE READING PLAN

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday: Genesis 49 | <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday: Psalms 92 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Monday: Genesis 50 | <input type="checkbox"/> Friday: Psalms 93 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday: Psalms 90 | <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday: Psalms 94 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday: Psalms 91 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday: Psalms 95 |

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