



ALM's Ministries International, Inc.

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Fatherhood

Joshua 24:14-15 & Luke 15:17-24

When I was asked to read the scripture with understanding I recognized that God had opened a door that His role as Father might be clearly put on display. This is important as our children will have their first opportunity to see the role of father through what they see in us. God the Father reveals Himself in two fundamental ways. He is just and He is love. The scripture that has been chosen for today depicts those roles separately. In Joshua we see the type of man that is seen as strong and just. He is willing to take a stand without asking wife or children and it matters not what others may do. Most men seek to emulate that aspect of fatherhood. Surely our heavenly Father is just and does stand for truth.

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*"Now therefore fear the Lord and serve Him in sincerity and in truth: and put away the Gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood and in Egypt; and serve ye the Lord. And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord" **Joshua 24:14-15***

The problem is that many of us only recognize our role as father to be one of justice. As I look around every corner I see our children outside. In some instances they are out there because we as Fathers are just. The problem with only being just is when we fail to temper justice with love we become overbearing. We thereby make it hard for our children to repent and return home or go to church and at the same time make it easy for them to remain in the street. But God left us with the father in the prodigal son that we might learn to temper our justice with love.

*"And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him... for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry" **Luke 15:20, 24***

Check the scripture

1. *Joshua 24:14-15*
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The love of a father as displayed in Luke's parable of the prodigal son instead made it hard for the son to stay in the street and easy for him to return home. I am so glad that God my heavenly Father did not have untempered justice towards me. If that had been the case I would not be here right now for justice would have demanded I die. But God tempered His justice and so loved Andre' (feel free to place your name in that space) that He gave His only Begotten Son that I needed only believeth in Him and not perish but have ever lasting life.

My charge to all fathers is to pray for God to help us all to temper our justice with LOVE.

If no one has told you yet today please allow me to be the first to say that I love you all and you can't do a thing about it.

Serving Christ

Andre' L. McGuire

Ministry Needs

Praise God:

I believe as God said, He will supply our need according to His riches in glory. That you might be made aware of those present needs please find listed below the needs of ALM's Ministry International, Inc. as we know them.

It is my intention to fulfill the ministry God has placed in my heart. I am prayerful that God would touch those whom He has anointed to be a blessing or participant in this ministry. I have nearly completed the business plan inclusive of a blueprint of the facility wherein the halfway house would be located. If God has so ordained it would be a blessing to receive your assistance in the development of this ministry. Please contact us in the event God has led you to assist and/or forward this to any which you believe may through prayer be interested in assisting in the following areas:

- Prayer
- Secure 501 C3
- Assist in completion of business plan
 - a. Cost Analysis
 - b. Secure Financing and/or Grant Writer
 - c. Marketing Plan
- Web Site Development (concept provided)
- Editing
- Secure copyright of manuscript(s)
- Prayer

I do thank you for having taken the time to review this information. I pray that God will open your heart to being a blessing to his kingdom by assisting in the development of this ministry.

Donations

The word of **God** admonishes us to owe no man anything except love. Therefore, we have made it possible for our visiting friends to assist us in maintaining our facility and our web presence by sowing seed into this ministry. Initial financing will be used to secure 501-C-3 status. We thank you in advance for your cheerful gift in support of ALM's Ministries, International, Inc.

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