

Fatherhood

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1. Fatherhood in an antagonistic world?

2. The complexity of talking about Fatherhood from the Bible

3. The Biblical Flavour of Fatherhood

a) Thompson's 3 categories

- i. Head and source of the family who provides an inheritance
- ii. Protector and Provider for his children
- iii. The one to whom honour and obedience are owed and the one who wisely corrects and disciplines

b) Directions and commandments (Proverbs, Eph 6:4, Col 3:21)

4. Some reflections on living out the flavour

c) *The goal of Fatherhood*

d) *The implications of the goal*

5. Resources to explore further

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