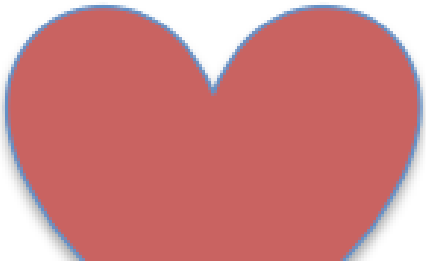
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Father Heart of God



From the wrong to the right father!

Quiet Time - Day 1 - Day 7

From false to right father

Introduction

- Satan, the father of lies
- God, the true father of love
- Abba, my dear father

Satan, the father of lies

- John 8:44 J
- es. 28, 15 and Jer. 13, 25-27: we prefer lies to truth
- The fruits are visible: broken relationships, war, brutality, twisting, ...
- Fatherless society: see text! See children's movies (no positive role models!)
- Father of Lies is not a caricature, not a monster movie - but naked, hard reality! We are slaves to sin, prisoners of Satan!

Will you continue to be a child of this Father? God, the true Father of love

- Jesus came to show us the Father (John 17:25-26)
- No one deserves to be called Father but God alone (Eph. 3:14f and 4.6)

Who is He:

- The Father who begat us (Jn. 3:3-6 / 2 Cor. 5:7 / Rom. 7:6
- Owner of all, giveth gladly (Ezek. 11:19 + 18:31)
- Educator (Heb. 12:4-11) Caretaker, Provider (Luke 11:1-13)
- Protector (Heb. 11)L
- Loving (John 17)
- Healing, good hands, salvation for soul, body and spirit

How is he: (talk show)

- Absolutely reliable
- Perfect, holy, and righteous
- Eternally the same, constant, faithful

- Good, merciful, long-suffering
- Romantic, rapturous, jealous, tender, sensitive, compassionate
- Sociable
- Infinitely creative, colorful
- Humorous
- Talkative, communicative
- Angering
- Personal

Abba, my Father Return home to the true Father - tear yourself away from the trough of swine! (John 14:6)

- Break radically with the father of lies, with the old habits! With God, the rules are different. God is a totally different father!

Seek Him with all your heart

- He who sees me sees the Father

Be near him! Be like the Father

- Worship him daily in the mirror, and your face will be like him!

From Wrong to Right Father Relationship

(See PDF file for details)

- **Jesus the only way**
- **Where is your place in the heart of God?**
- **4 tragic religious confusions**
- **Keys to Healing**
- **To be a daughter - to be a son**

The Father Heart of God

7 Days in Silent Time

Day 1:

Abba, the father: from false fatherhood to true father

All who are driven by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage, that ye should fear again; but I have received the spirit of sonship. And in that spirit we cry out: Abba, Father!

Romans, 8:14-15

Write down in key words your experiences with earthly fathers

counter:

your idea of the heavenly father

- About his dealings with you and man
- About his nature
- About his kingdom

What inner hurts and negative experiences prevent you from letting yourself fall fully into God's arms?

Where do you doubt God's goodness, reliability, and faithfulness?

I invite you in this course week to open your heart anew and to discover the true Father

- Read carefully the recommended Bible text.
- Daily write down your insights about the God-Father on an extra sheet of paper.
- Continue to memorize a Bible verse each day.
- The quotes given can be of help to you. But first, engage with the Bible text and theme yourself.
- Take time and again to talk with your heavenly Father - actively seek fellowship with Him.

Deep within all of us is this cry for the Father's love. We have a great longing for our hearts to be satisfied by the Father's love.

Satan is always trying to separate us from the Father. He is a master of lies. Always he denies the Father with us and raises doubts in our hearts.

Jesus had a great desire to show us the true Father. The cross means: you can come to the Father's heart from nothing else but grace alone. With Jesus the new image of the Father came into the world: "full of grace and truth" (Jn 1:14).

Quotes

"The only lesson you need to learn is that grace is grace. You can't earn my grace. And if I've decided I need you guy, if I want you as my son, then that's what I've decided - not you!" (1, p. 20)

"I love you not because you're such a decent guy, because you're ..., - but I love you because I chose to love you!" (1, p. 20)

"But what pride there is in us! We're trimmed for achievement, and we're still under the impression that "I want to produce something so I won't be totally dependent on God's grace!" (1, p. 21)

"He who seeks God no longer punishes him for sin - cf. Isa. 53:5!" (1, p. 21)

"If I want to break through to fatherhood, I must first be *ready to be a child!* A child is dependent on his father." (1, p. 22)

"Our only security is the Fatherhood of God!" (1, p. 23) - cf. Mat. 18:3

"God is often a God of the last minute (cf. Mat. 14:31)" (1, p. 23)

"God sometimes lets you get into trouble because He wants to build you up in your deep trust." "If we want to honor God with anything, it is with our child's trust in the Father." (l, p. 25)

"The goal is for the Father to become Father over this world again." (1, p. 25)

"It is important, however, to recognize Him in order to be able to love Him!" (2, p. 20)

Things are more important than children! Not with God: "The greatest evidence of God's fatherly heart is probably shown in his interest in the details of our lives. He delights to surprise us with those little pleasures and precious things that only a Father knows we crave. God is not stingy, possessive, or materialistically minded." (2, p. 24)

Day 2

The "YES": Sons and Daughters of the Father (see PDF file)

3rd Day

The "Real": A Relationship with the Living God(see PDF file)

4th Day

His Heart: Healing is Possible (see PDF file)

5th day

The tender love of the Father: of the nature and work of the Holy Spirit (see PDF file)

6th day:

In Education: Purified in Fire (see PDF file)

7th Day

The "Greatest": Living in the Power of God (see PDF file)

First to seventh day

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