



# A Father's Blessing

Mark 1:11

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A black and white photograph showing two hands clasped together in a supportive grip. The hands are positioned centrally, with the fingers interlaced. The lighting is soft, highlighting the texture of the skin and the creases on the hands. The background is dark and out of focus. Overlaid in the center of the image is the text "Fathers Matter" in a bold, white, sans-serif font.

**Fathers Matter**



**Colossians 3:21**

Fathers, do not embitter your children, or they will become discouraged.

**Ephesians 6:4**

Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.

**1 Thessalonians 2:11–12**

For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children, encouraging, comforting and urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into his kingdom and glory.



**Who Can You Bless As a  
Father?**



## Psalm 68:5–6

A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling. God sets the lonely in families, he leads out the prisoners with singing; but the rebellious live in a sun-scorched land.



## Mark 1:11

And a voice came from heaven:  
“You are my Son, whom I love;  
with you I am well pleased.”



**The Father says:**

**“I claim you”**

**“I love you”**

**“I am proud of you”**

Receive the Father's Blessing

