

# Good Father

Good Father - This carries two separate statements

1 - God is good

2 - God is a Father But these two must go together...

The Bible often describes God as a Father which means that we are his children, we have been adopted into His family. We are no longer Orphans.

Romans 8:15-16

15 So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, "Abba, Father." 16 For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children.

Galatians 4:4-7

4 But when the right time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, subject to the law. 5 God sent him to buy freedom for us who were slaves to the law, so that he could adopt us as his very own children. 6 And because we are his children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, prompting us to call out, "Abba, Father." 7 Now you are no longer a slave but God's own child. And since you are his child, God has made you his heir.

The fact that we are God's children is a truth which the enemy tries to keep us from believing fully. He knows that when we believe God to be the Good Father that He is, we will step into this sonship and begin to walk in our identity and shake the power of darkness.

When we become more mature in our faith and we no longer believe the lies of the enemy, so he begins to slip half-truths instead, which is still a lie.

We must see these lies so we don't fall captive to it, allowing it to stop us from living the full and abundant life God has for us.

## **1st Half Truth Good God (Not a Father)**

This means we see God as a good God, but not a personal one. We believe He can be good to everyone else but not us, we don't see ourselves as his beloved child. Orphan mentality - Not accepted into God's family.

John 1:12

Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— 13 children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

2 Corinthians 6:18 "And I will be a father to you, And you shall be sons and daughters to Me," Says the Lord Almighty.

## **2nd Half Truth God Father (not a good one)**

This means we make God to be like any other earthly Father we know. We believe he is our Father, but not a very good one, not the one the bible tells us he is. This causes us to strive for his approval or try to earn his love through performance. Often doing things out of ungodly fear not a loving relationship. Slave mentality - Seeing God as a Master (harsh Father)

Matthew 7:11

So, if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give good gifts to those who ask him.

Psalms 103:13-14

13 The Lord is like a father to his children, tender and compassionate to those who fear him. 14 For he knows how weak we are; he remembers we are only dust.

The most amazing thing is not that He is Good or that He is a Father, or even that He is a Good Father, but He is a Good Father ALWAYS and He does not change. You cannot change His affections for you. He sees your darkest secrets and desires, and doesn't just accept you, but desires you deeply. This is the truth.

[James 1:17 Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.](#)

The call is to leave behind the slave and orphan mentality, so that we can be fully His, not holding back anything from him, believing and trusting the Good Father He says He is.