

## Fatherhood

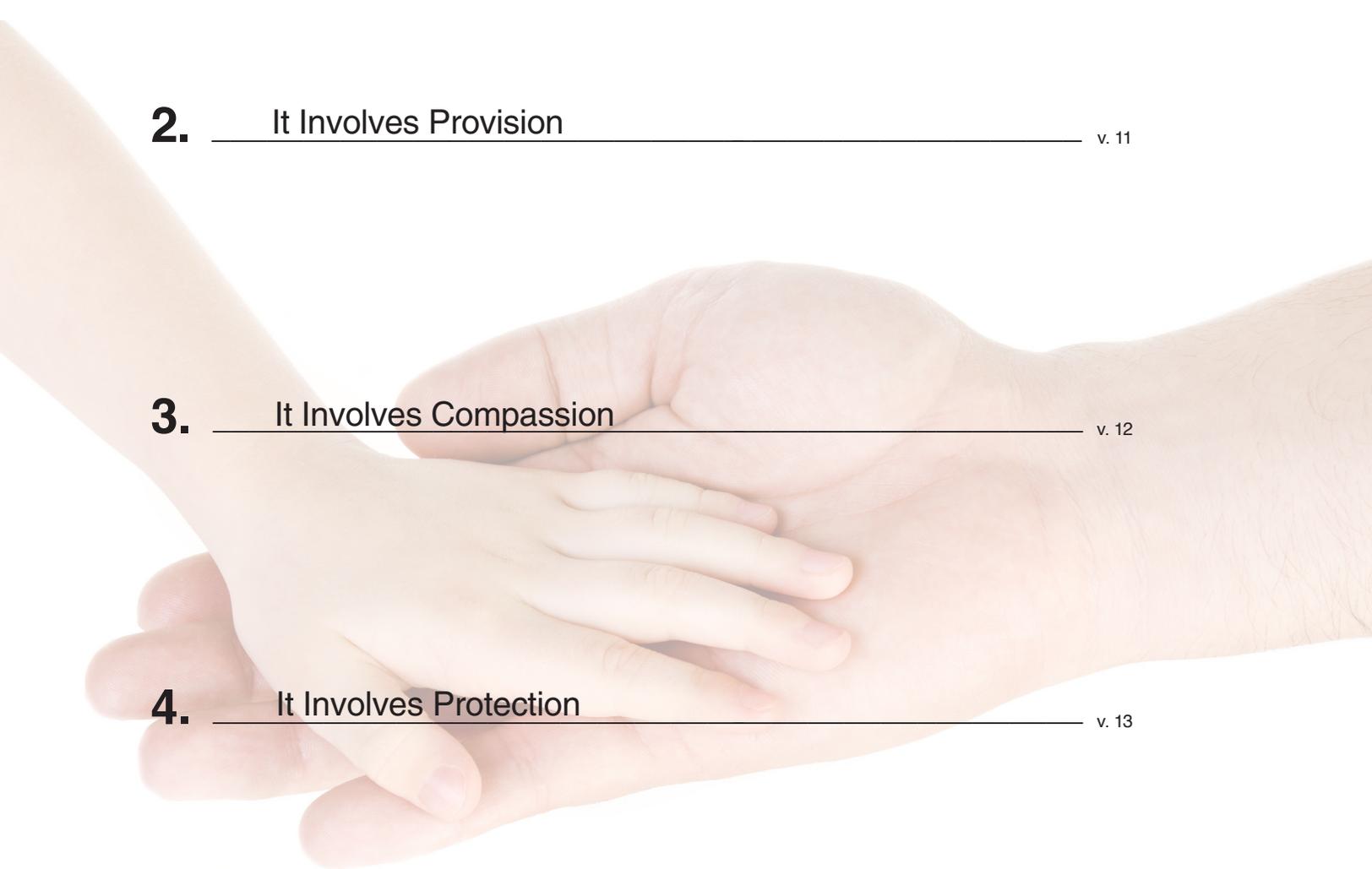
“ \_\_\_\_\_ What it Means to Be a "Good" Dad \_\_\_\_\_ ”

**1.** \_\_\_\_\_ It Involves Leadership \_\_\_\_\_ v. 9-10

**2.** \_\_\_\_\_ It Involves Provision \_\_\_\_\_ v. 11

**3.** \_\_\_\_\_ It Involves Compassion \_\_\_\_\_ v. 12

**4.** \_\_\_\_\_ It Involves Protection \_\_\_\_\_ v. 13



# Grow Group Discussion Questions

A grow group is 8-16 people who get together weekly to study God's word and the previous Sunday's message. There is a time of discussion, support, encouragement, and learning how the message applies to daily life.

**PCC uses the ESV (English Standard Version).**

## HOW DO I JOIN A GROUP?

To learn more or join a group, visit [pacificcoastchurch.org/gg/](http://pacificcoastchurch.org/gg/) or sign up at the patio Info Kiosk.

### Point #1

- How does God (the Father) model leadership for dads today? (i.e. kingdom come, will be done)
- How did your dad provide leadership in the home? What did he teach you? What can you celebrate?

### Point #2

- How does God (the Father) model provision for dads today? (i.e. daily bread)
- In what way did your dad practically provide for the family? Be specific. How can you show gratitude?

### Point #3

- How does God (the Father) model compassion for dads today? (i.e. forgiveness)
- How did your dad show compassion? Even though dads often struggle with this, what can you celebrate?

### Point #4

- How does God (the Father) model a protective leadership style for dads today? (i.e. deliver us from evil)
- Why is it necessary to balance between protection and isolation? How do you need to improve?

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## Daily Devotions

These are provided for mid-week personal spiritual growth. Prayerfully writing out your answers will help you experience real life transformation as you dig deeper into the spiritual truths of God's word and today's message.

A downloadable PDF of this document is also available each week at [pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons](http://pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons).

### **MONDAY // Read Matthew 6:9, Genesis 1:1-31, 1 John 3:1-2**

- Explain how God is presented as being a leader and in charge. How does this relate to direction and vision?
- In terms of fatherhood today, what job description is being implied when God is called a father?
- What has been your experience with this type of fathering in your family? What are you grateful for?

### **TUESDAY // Read Matthew 6:10, Ephesians 1:2-6, 5:25-26, 2 Timothy 3:16-4:2**

- Explain how God's plan of redemption is presented in Matthew 6:10. How does this relate to Ephesians 1:2-6?
- What does this model about a dad's leadership and responsibility to his family? Be specific.
- In what way did you experience this from your father? How does this help you celebrate Father's Day?

### **WEDNESDAY // Read Matthew 6:11, 25-30, Ephesians 5:28-29, 1 Timothy 5:7-8**

- Explain how God's plan of provision is presented in Matthew 6:11. How does this relate to Ephesians 5:28-29?
- What does this imply about a father's practical responsibility to his family? Be specific.
- How did your dad practically provide for your family? How can you show him your gratitude?

### **THURSDAY // Read Matthew 6:12, 1 John 1:9, Luke 11:15-24, Ephesians 6:4**

- Knowing that God the "Father" is our source of forgiveness, what does that imply about earthly fathers?
- How does this relate to care and compassion? What happens when this isn't understood? (c.f. Ephesians 6:4)
- Why can this be a painful area to think about? What has been your experience? How can you be grateful?

### **FRIDAY // Read Matthew 6:13, Psalm 23:1-6, 1 Corinthians 10:13, Genesis 3:1-6, James 1:2-4**

- How does God provide protection for you? (i.e. spiritual, physical, etc.) What does this model to fathers?
- What balance is necessary between protection and isolation? Why is this important? (c.f. James 1:2-4)
- How did your father protect you? Be specific. How can you show him your gratitude this week?

### **SATURDAY // Read Matthew 6:9-13, 26:36-42, Ephesians 6:1-2**

- How does the Lord's prayer also model how children should be relating to their parent? (i.e. fathers)
- How would you describe your relationship with your father? How has it had an impact on your life today?
- Given that no earthly father is perfect, how has this week's study helped you be more grateful for your dad?

**MEDITATION VERSE:** <sup>9</sup>Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed by your name. <sup>10</sup>Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. <sup>11</sup>Given us this day our daily bread, <sup>12</sup>and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. <sup>13</sup>And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. **Matthew 6:9-13**