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A Godly Father



William Arthur Ward once said, "Blessed is the man who brings honor to the word 'father,' who is a credit to the word 'brotherhood,' who is a quiet man of whom his children often say, 'We're glad he's our father,' of whom his wife often says, 'I'm glad he's my husband,' of whose his parents say 'We're glad he's our son.' I believe this speaks of how important it is for fathers to be models. Therefore, I would like to submit a poem on a Godly Father:

***F** is for friend, not a pal, buddy or enemy.*

***A** is for authority, this does not mean abuse or silence me.*

***T** is for tenderness as you embrace me with your strength.*

***H** is for honesty, I need to know the things you said and did, you meant.*

***E** is for encouragement- a child needs this from their father each day, week, month and year.*

***R** is for respect you'll get and give, this is more valuable than any souvenir.*

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