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PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

Connect Group Sermon Aligned Discussion Guide.

Series Title: FATHERHOOD
Key Scripture: Matthew 3:16-17, Mark 1:9-12a, Luke 3:21-23a, John 1:32-33
Recorded Sermon: www.woodvale.ca/pastservices/fatherhood
Date + Speaker: Pastor Mark Scarr | June 16, 2024

Starter: Let's explore fatherhood. What does "fatherhood" mean to you? How do you see the connection between being a father on earth and our Heavenly Father's example?

Discussion:

1. Describe the significance of Jesus' baptism in the context of fatherhood, as recorded in Matthew 3:16-17, Mark 1:9-12a, Luke 3:21-23a, and John 1:32-33.
2. Our heavenly Father was physically present at Jesus' baptism. How important do you think it is for a father to be physically present in their children's lives? What difference does it make?
3. How was our heavenly Father emotionally present at Jesus' baptism? Explain the importance of a father being emotionally and actively present in his children's lives. How can a father show their children that they truly enjoy being around them?
4. How do you think having or missing fatherly qualities affects someone's life?
5. How can earthly fathers, look to Jesus for guidance and strength in their fatherhood journey?
6. Are you comfortable with sharing a personal story where you felt the presence or absence of good fatherhood principles? How did it impact you, and what can we learn from it?

Reflection:

If you didn't grow up with a good relationship with your earthly father, please know that you have a Heavenly Father who loves you deeply, and He wants you to know that. In your quiet moments of prayer, ask Him to reveal to you just how much He loves you.