

Traits Of A Godly Father

"Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love." 1 John 4:8, English Standard Version

To get the best copy, we must go back to the _____.

He Makes Painful Decisions

A. Luke 15 – Seeing this trait in the parable:

1. 15:11-13 – The _____ son asked for his _____ of the estate. Was it _____ for the father to _____ the property?
2. This kind of request in that time was _____ of. It must have been _____ to see assets divided and _____.

B. Has God made painful decisions?

1. Hosea 11:1,8 – God _____ Israel as His own _____.
2. Hebrews 5:7-9 – He _____ His Son's _____ but said _____.

He Never Gives Up Hope

A. Luke 15:17-20 – When the son _____, the father _____ him a _____ way _____. Had he been _____ daily?

B. God holds out hope for His children:

1. Jeremiah 31:3 – God _____ us with _____ love.
2. Ezekiel 33:11 – God has no _____ in the _____ of the _____. He wants them to _____ to Him and _____.
3. Romans 5:8 – Only because God _____ us would He give His _____ to _____ for us.

He Seeks Full Reconciliation

A. Luke 15:21-24,28 – The father restored him to his role as a _____. He also wanted both _____ to be reconciled.

B. God seeks reconciliation of those in the far country:

1. Isaiah 55:6,7 – If we _____ the Lord and _____ to Him, He will _____ pardon.
2. 2 Corinthians 5:20 - _____ made His _____ through Paul to be _____ to Him.
3. 1 John 4:7,8 – Those who don't _____ others don't _____ God, because _____ is _____.

Matthew 5:48 – We must set _____ as our _____ example.

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