

“Yay, Dad!”

Luke 11:9-13 – *Pastor Phil Somers*

Dads, you are giving gifts every day you live. They might come out of your pocket but more likely come out of your life. The things you do – or don't do – and the things you say – or don't say – are gifts/examples to your children. You are being watched. And you will be imitated. Jesus had something to say about such matters and we'll take a closer look at them.

In the context of teaching about prayer, Jesus asked three questions and we will group His teaching around them.

1. Think about PAINFUL GIFTS

Stones instead of bread
Serpents instead of fish
Scorpions instead of eggs

2. Think about PROPER GIFTS

My father gave me gifts out of his life and experience.
What are some of the gifts you can give your kids?

3. Think about PERFECT GIFTS

James tells us that “every good and perfect gift comes down from above” and Jesus tells us that God wants to give the Holy Spirit to His children.

Just being a father is a genuine gift from God and New Castle is rich in good dads. Love your children with a Christ-like love and help set them up for an eternity shared with them in heaven with you and their Heavenly Father. Yup.