



THE VISION

June 2016

“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them and...teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you...”

Amen. Matthew 28:19-20

Summer vacation is on its way! I pray this summer will be an enjoyable and faith deepening journey. No matter where we travel on vacation or if we stay home and have a staycation, believers in Christ are always His ambassadors!

The following devotional thought is from Rick Warren. His meditation is very timely for us. It will remind us of who we are...representatives...ambassadors for Christ.

How to Forgive?

Nearly 60 years ago, five American missionaries headed to the rainforest of the eastern Amazon in Ecuador to make a second visit to the Huaorani tribe, which anthropologists said was the most vicious, violent society on the face of the earth. They had a culture of killing, and studies showed 60 percent of the tribe died by homicide.

As soon as the missionaries got out of the plane, they were speared to death by members of the tribe. The brutal murders made news around the world and the cover of *Life* magazine, *Time*, and *Newsweek*. Many newspapers reported the deaths of these men, who included Nate Saint and Jim Elliot.

A couple years later, Elisabeth and Valerie Elliot, wife and daughter of Jim, and Rachel Saint, sister of Nate, moved into the Huaorani village to show love and forgiveness and minister to the people who had killed their family. Eventually, Mincaye, the leader of the tribe, and the five men who participated in the missionary murders all became Christians.

The kind of forgiveness that Elisabeth Elliot and Rachel Saint modeled doesn't make sense until you have been forgiven by God. Once you've experienced it, how do we forgive? We do the 4 actions that these women did:

Relinquish your right to get even. **Romans 12:19** says, *“Don't try to get even. Let God take revenge”* (CEV). Leave it up to God. He'll take care of it, and he'll do a much better job than you ever could.

Respond to evil with good. How can you tell when you've completely forgiven someone? You can actually pray for God to bless the person who hurt you. The Bible says, *“Do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you”* **Luke 6:27b-28** (NIV).

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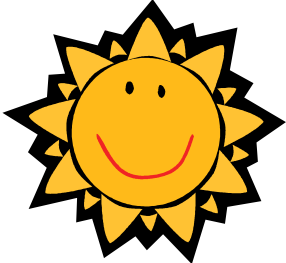
**Don't Forget
To Wish
Those Special Men
In Your Lives
A Happy Father's Day!!!**

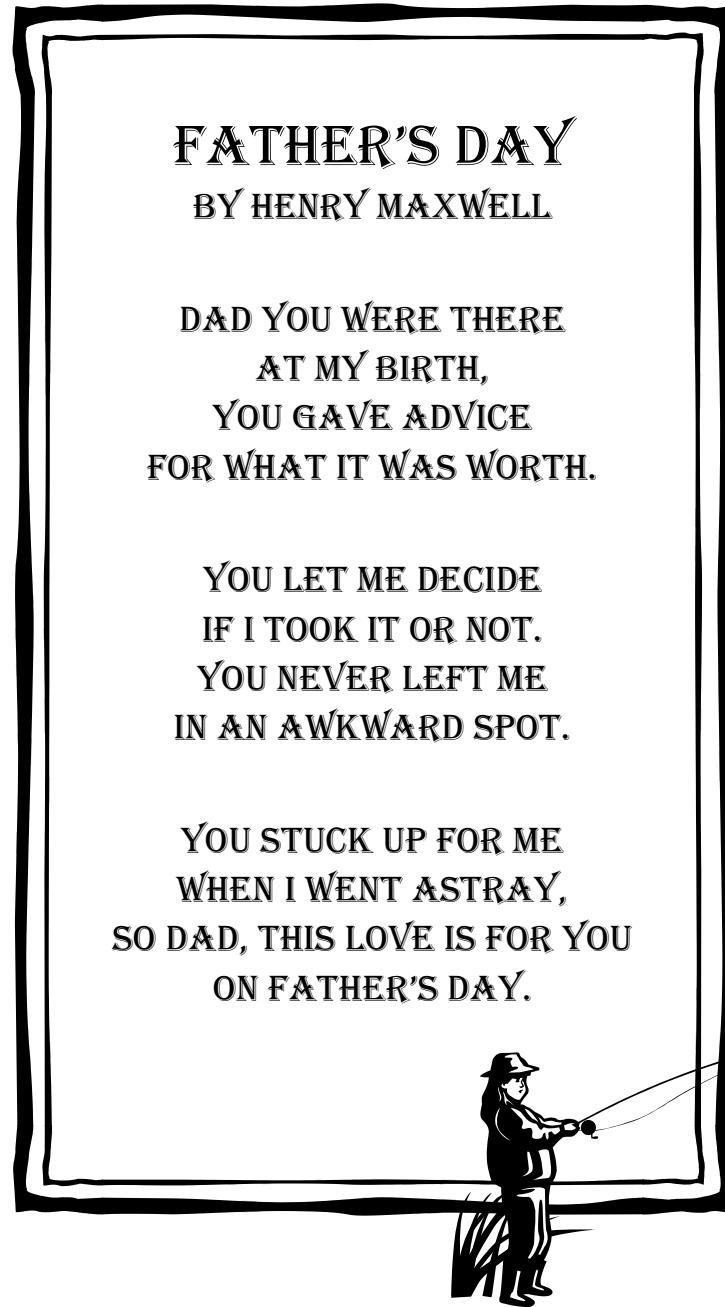
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Fathers In The Bible

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David	Kish	Shaphat	Nebat
Haran	Manoah	Solomon	Terah

<p><u>Deacon of the Week</u> 6/5—Jimmy Diggs 6/12—Faye Branen 6/19—Ted Fisher 6/26—Buddy Hogge</p>	<p><u>Nursery Workers</u> 6/5—OPEN 6/12—Pauline Littell 6/19—Tracy Williams 6/26—Rebecca Joyce</p>	<p><u>June Tellers</u> Buddy Hogge Ted Fisher</p>
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Repeat these steps as long as necessary. Peter asked Jesus in **Matthew 18:21-22**, "Then Peter came to him and asked, "Lord, how often should I forgive someone who sins against me? Seven times?" "No, not seven times," Jesus replied, "but seventy times seven" (NLT)!"

Rescue others with the Good News of God's forgiveness. The Bible says in **II Corinthians 5:18-20**, "And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God" (KJV).

So whether we are up in the mountains, down at the beach, or right here at home, we are Ambassadors for Christ!

Reflect on these questions:

Why do you think it's so difficult to let go of our need to get even or to have the last word? What can you do to model forgiveness in your life? Who in your life needs to hear God's message of peace and salvation?

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