

“The Perfect Father”

Matthew 5:48 and Other Selected Scriptures
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Introduction

- The search for the “Perfect Father”
 - Not found “on-line”
 - No Biblical examples of “perfect” father in Old Testament

The Perfect Father

A. Meet the “Perfect Father”-- Matthew 5:48

1. Jesus’ heavenly Father is Perfect
 - a. Meaning of “perfect”
 - b. Origin of the concept of “family”—the trinity
 - c. The prototype “Father”-- Ephesians 3:14-15; Matt 23:8-10
 - 1) Our concept of “father” derived from God, not from man.
 - 2) Is it wrong to call your earthly father, “father”?
2. We are to be “perfect” as our heavenly father is perfect.

B. The Perfect Father in Action: Four “P”s

1. **PROTECTS.** – Matthew 10:28-31 (1122)
2. **PROVIDES.** – Matthew 6:25-34 (1117)
3. **PROMOTES.** -- Luke 3:21-22(1182); Matt 17:1-5 (1132)
4. **PARDONS** -- Luke 15:11-24 (1204)