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**A FATHER'S TRUTH
(1 Corinthians 13:4-8)**

Turn to page 813 in your Brookwood Bible.

5 guidelines that will transform you into a godly, successful father:

I. SET THE RIGHT GOAL – TRUE LOVE

Let love be your highest goal! (1 Corinthians 14:1a) NLT

Your example is how Christ loved.

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8:38-39) NIV

This means your family must know your love will never fail!

II. GIVE UP YOUR RIGHTS (in your marriage)

*Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud or rude. **It does not demand its own way.** It is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged.* (1 Corinthians 13:4-5) NLT

As a husband, your job is to model Christ's love to your wife.

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. (Ephesians 5:25-27) NIV

III. GIVE YOUR CHILDREN FIRM, BUT LOVING BOUNDARIES – AND STICK TO THEM

Discipline your children, and they will give you peace of mind and will make your heart glad. (Proverbs 29:17) NLT

Loving boundaries create security.

Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger by the way you treat them. Rather, bring them up with the discipline and instruction that comes from the Lord. (Ephesians 6:4) NLT

IV. CREATE AND MODEL A PEACEFUL HOME

It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. (1 Corinthians 13:5) NIV

Instead of anger, give your family time and truth.

Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth. (1 John 3:18) NIV