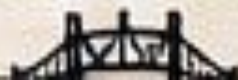


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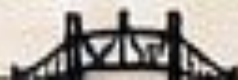


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I. JOSEPH THE BUILDER

**“Is not this the
carpenter’s son?”**

MATTHEW 13:55



**Not one word Joseph spoke
was recorded in scripture**

His actions spoke Loud

1. Joseph Was a Righteous Man Matthew 1:19

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19 Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly.

1. Joseph Obeyed God

Matthew 1:24

When Angel of the Lord told Joseph to Take Mary as his wife he obeyed

24 Then Joseph, being aroused from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord commanded him and took to him his wife

- 1. When God warned him to Flee to Egypt, He Obeyed**
- 2. When God told him to return, He obeyed**
- 3. A Good Father listens to Gods voice and acts on it**
- 4. Obedience is one of the greatest gifts a father can give his family**

Joseph Protected his family

Matthew 2:13-

13 Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, “Arise, take the young Child and His mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I bring you word; for Herod will seek the young Child to destroy Him.”

14 When he arose, he took the young Child and His mother by night and departed for Egypt,

JOSEPH WAS A BUILDER...

- ✓ **He built houses.**
- ✓ **He built furniture.**
- ✓ **He built tools.**

***But his greatest work
was building people.***



The word translated "carpenter" is the Greek word
:τέκτων (tekton)

When people hear "carpenter," they often picture someone building kitchen cabinets or framing houses with lumber. But tekton is broader than that. The

Meaning of Tekton:

A tekton was:A builder

A craftsman

An artisan

A construction worker

Someone skilled at working with wood, stone, or other building materials.

II. JOSEPH'S GREATEST LEGACY

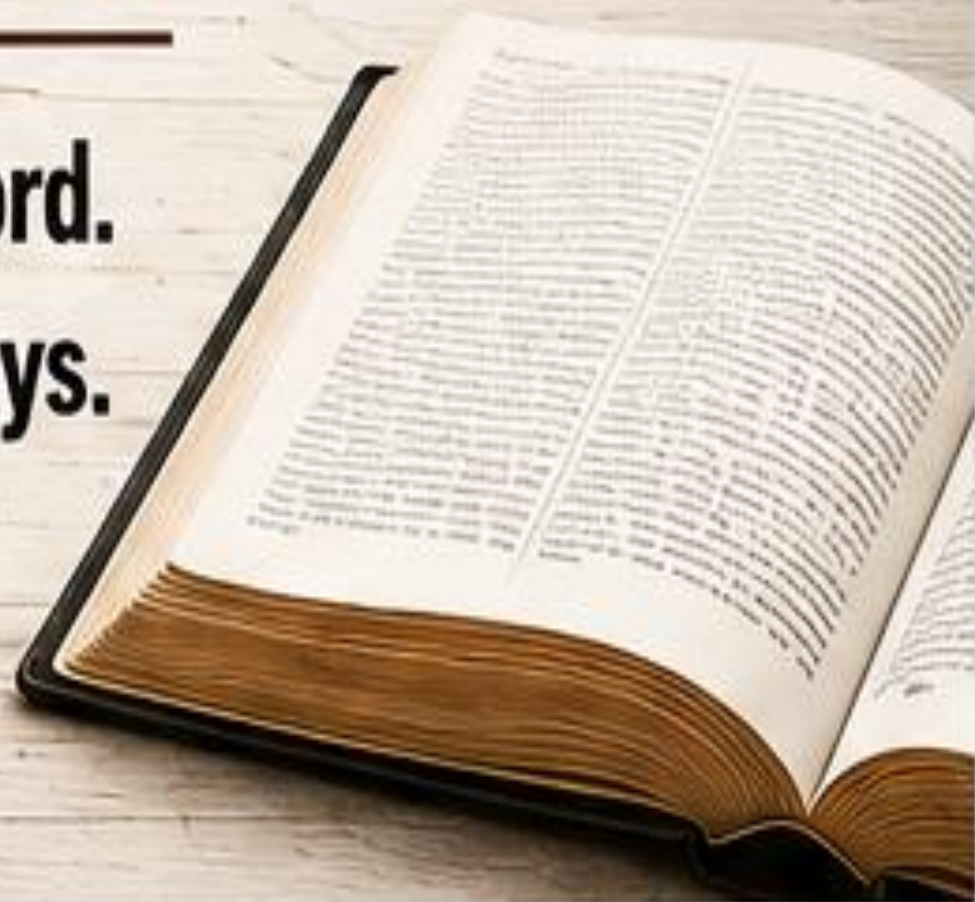
MATTHEW 13:55-56

**Jesus, James, Joses,
Simon, Judas,
and sisters.**

**A FATHER NEVER KNOWS HOW FAR
HIS INFLUENCE WILL REACH.**

III. JOSEPH TAUGHT MORE THAN A TRADE

**He taught God's Word.
He taught God's ways.
He taught by what
he lived.**



**Joseph led his family in
Worship!**

**Joseph took his family to
Jerusalem every year for the
feasts**

Luke 2:41

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**Now His parents went to
Jerusalem every year at the
Feast of the Passover.**

**He made God's house a
priority**

**A good father doesn't just
provide for the family**

He leads them toward God

**Shannon L. Alder says
A father's greatest legacy
is not what he leaves TO
His children, but what he
leaves IN his children!**

IV. A WORD TO CHILDREN AND TEENAGERS



**HONOR YOUR FATHER
AND YOUR MOTHER.**

EXODUS 20:12

Exodus 20:12 “Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the Lord you.

Eph 6:1

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 2 “Honor your father and mother,” which is the first commandment with promise: 3 “that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth.”

V. THE HEART OF A FATHER

**While he was yet
a great way off,
his father saw him,
had compassion,
and ran to him.**

LUKE 15:20



VI. THE WORLD'S PROBLEM IS DISHONOR

**A culture that
loses honor
eventually loses
its way.**

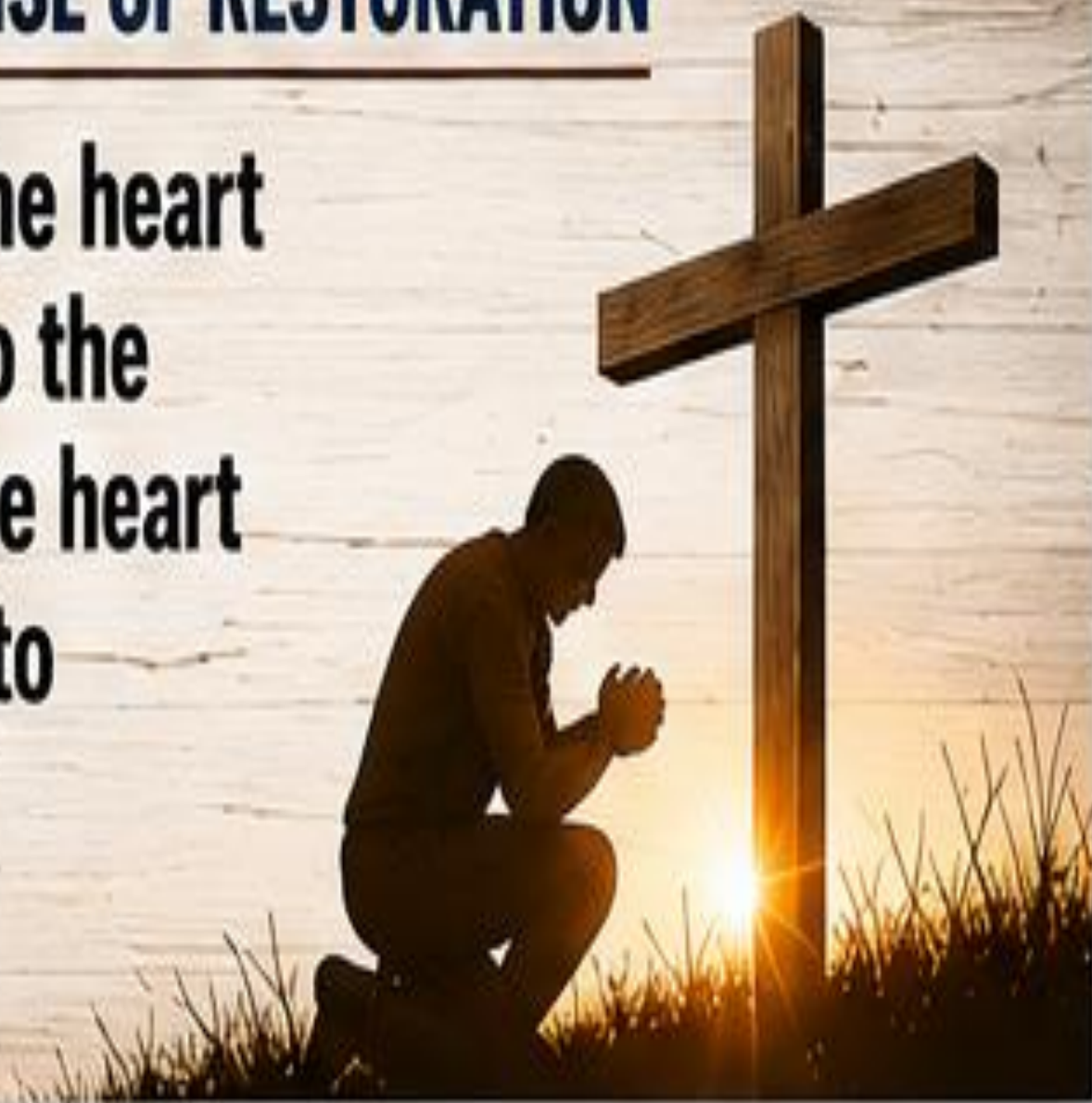


**Honor
starts
at home.**

VII. GOD'S PROMISE OF RESTORATION

**“He shall turn the heart
of the fathers to the
children, and the heart
of the children to
their fathers...”**

MALACHI 4:6



Malachi 4:5-6

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5 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet

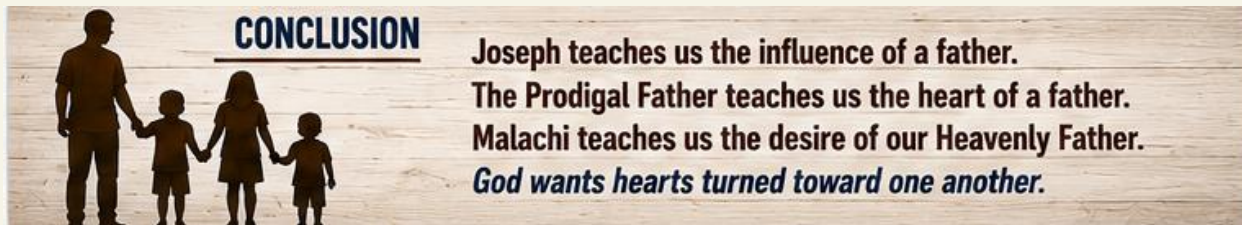
Before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord.

6 And he will turn

The hearts of the fathers to the children,

And the hearts of the children to their fathers,

Lest I come and strike the earth with a curse.”



CONCLUSION

Joseph teaches us the influence of a father.

The Prodigal Father teaches us the heart of a father.

Malachi teaches us the desire of our Heavenly Father.

God wants hearts turned toward one another.