

# Fathers Day —

PS 816

We come again to Fathers Day. I make this statement for it may be that some of you have not heard about it. you on mothers day we husbands and fathers stand up and praise our mothers and then on Fathers Day the ladies say - now if you can find any thing to say you men just go on and see what you can make of Fathers Day -

Some one said - "at our home father runs every thing" - Some neighbor replied to the wife in that home - why do you let him do it? your children can't their father run everything at your home? "well" said the wife "let me see - does he really run every thing? He runs the carpet sweeper - washing machine, and lawn mower - yes I guess the children were about right - and oh yes he ran my bath water the other day" - "at same time the children help for they run the radio"

Speaking seriously the father has a serious responsibility - typing classes would answer and over again "it is time"

good men to come to the aid their country" and we might add "By being real parents in the home."

The psalmist said of man (though it may be from a generic sense) "than madest him to have dominion." In other words he was made for mastery - we will do no harm to the record by applying this verse to fathers -

we see some daring statements in this scripture -

1. man is God-made - and a father that does not have the finger prints of the Infinite upon him will not mean much to home building - The psalmist is more concerned about who created man than he is about how it was done - and he believes that man is the hand-work of God.

2. The second great assertion is that this God-made man is a grand creature - "a little lower than the angels" - one translator puts it "a little lower than God" God is father to the

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the highest degree — <sup>man</sup> He is like God  
in his nature that he is a per-  
sonality — and this means that  
he has power — to know — to love —  
to choose. God does for him what  
He does not do for planets or solos  
systems.

But psalmist would not have in mind  
man wholly divine — kin to dust

"Son of God" + "Son of Adam"  
a mixture of heights and depths  
of majesty and mean-ness  
of angel and devil  
of deity and dust

3. This man is here for a high and  
worthy destiny — God has a pur-  
pose for him and that is do-  
minion.

many do not accept the psalmist's  
conception —

1. They rob man of his high origin
2. He is made small by his environ-  
ment.

Some take with seriousness Mark  
Twain's story of the man who  
went to heaven from

3. He is belittled by his loss of freedom - a machine - a monkey chattering to himself.

### Let's Turn

7. the faith of the psalmist

a. we accept his view <sup>of</sup> man because it enlists my desire - I want to travel in this road of belief in greatness of man - others may take the lower view if they like. (The Horwood & Yale boys - Horwood boys slips Yale boys racket - page 126 - Sermons from the psalms)

b. we accept it because it appeals to our intelligence - It may be hard to believe that man is God-made but it is harder to believe him mind-made or chance-made.

c. we accept psalmist's view because around us we see him as master - in science, medicine & invention -

Here is this man of high value  
and he - by God's plan - becomes  
a father with power to know  
what a good home is - with  
power to love with that love  
that will die for the sanctity of  
his household - and power to  
choose the type of home he ought  
to have -

The modern home is passing  
through sore straits - It is  
like the house Jesus spoke of  
that was builded on the  
sand -

Tempests are beating upon  
these modern houses - and  
one tempest that can bore  
it down quicker than any  
other is this - cooperation  
of husband and wife -

Oh - Fine man + fair ship of woman  
passed along the deck of Trans -  
atlantic ship - etc - a woman  
made remark that he was fine  
man to be the slave of a woman  
like that - He heard it and

when he had taken his wife to  
the state room he returned and  
engaged the woman in conver-  
sation - "my business failed and  
partner ~~made~~ me out the thief -  
~~my health broke~~ - every body but  
one person believed me dishonest  
that one was my wife - my health  
broke under the strain - my wife  
stood by me, fought for me, made  
me believe in myself - until  
I got on my feet again -  
but the strain was too much  
for her - Her health was com-  
pletely wrecked - she gave  
herself to save me - I just  
wanted to tell you that I am  
her most willing slave"

