

## **“The Difference Fathers Make”**

1 Thessalonians 2:11-12

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### **Introduction:**

Father’s Day is a \_\_\_\_\_ day for some.

But then there are others who \_\_\_\_\_ to Father’s Day.

It is \_\_\_\_\_ for us to \_\_\_\_\_ our fathers and mothers. (Eph. 6:2-3)

### **I. The Difference Fathers Make**

- A. Nadya Suleman intentionally brought \_\_\_\_ more children into the world without a \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Suleman’s case is so troubling because it is an exaggerated picture of something that has become pandemic in the U.S.: the systematic abandonment of the norm of a \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ home.
- C. The New York Times Magazine published an article recently entitled “\_\_\_\_ Kids + \_\_\_\_ Husbands = \_\_\_\_\_.”
- D. Dan Williams says we are suffering from “the perfect storm” of three converging trends in our society: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- E. According to a Gallup Poll, \_\_\_\_\_ percent of Americans agree that “fathers make a unique contribution to their children’s lives.”

### **How Is It That Dads Make a Difference?**

- A. Dads make a difference through their \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Dads make a difference through their \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Dads make a difference through their \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Conclusion:**

God has given dads a very special \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Ultimately, dads don’t want money and gifts from their kids as much as they want to know that you \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ them.

So \_\_\_\_\_ your father—that will be a \_\_\_\_\_ for everyone involved.

Answer Key: Intro.: A. difficult. B. look, forward. C. right, honor. I.A. 8, father. I.B. two, parent. I.C. 2, 0, Family. I.D. Immorality, Irresponsibility, Ignorance. I.E. 90.3. II.A. leadership. II.B. laughter. II.C. love. Concl.A. privilege, calling. B. love, appreciate. C. honor, blessing.