“A Chip Off the Old Block!”
Acts 17:24-31
“He’s A Chip Off The Old Block!”

Children resemble parents:

* in the way they **look**!

* in the way they **act**!

* what they **think** and **say**!

* sometimes, professional **life**!

Scott and Clint Eastwood
Bible: Father – Son Likenesses

“He who has seen Me has seen the Father” (John 14:9).

“In the beginning was the Word...” (John 1:1, 14).

“The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of His nature” (Hebrews 1:3).

Jesus is LIKE His Father b/c they are ONE! 😊
Strategic Insight Into Uniqueness of Christian Faith

“I and the Father are One” (John 10:30).

Sweeping influence of Islam in our nation, tons of efforts to homogenize – Don’t Muslims and Christians worship the same God?

“No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws them, and I will raise them up at the last day. It is written in the book of Psalms: ‘How great is your love, O Lord, you have taught us this song of praise.’ If anyone declares, ‘I am God’s son,’ and does not do the works of God, that person is a liar. But if a person does the works of God, then they will know of the Father who sent me. For this reason, the Spirit of God was given to the disciples at Pentecost: ‘By this you will know the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God’” (1 John 4:2-3).
The Saga of Two Fathers

God the Father
We’re created in His image
(Gen. 1:26, Psalm 139)

Propagate through new births! Multiplying!
* “fellow-heirs in the grace of life”
  (1 Peter 4:7)

Satan the Deceiver
Acts 17:29:
* NOT gold, silver, stone, an image **formed by** the art and thought of **man**

*Destroys God’s image
John 10:10 – “the thief comes to steal, kill, destroy”
What **Pleases** These Fathers

3 John 4 – “**walking** in the truth”

Run with **endurance**! (Hebrews 12:1).

Satan: Father of lies (John 8:44)

Rebellion against God

Sully, destroy God’s image

Betty Lindberg
5/24/16
6:57.56!

Death!
What **Grieves** These Fathers

Genesis 6 – wickedness, evil, corruption, violence vs. 6 – “He was grieved in His heart”

Unrepentant sin

Rejecting promptings

Unholy compromises

Households saved

Sin patterns in the generations broken!

Names written in Lamb’s book of Life – John 10:28 – he cannot snatch them back!
“For whoever keeps the entire law, yet fails in one point, is guilty of breaking it all”
(James 2:10 HCSB)

Little litter = makes me a “LITTERER”

Little sin = SINNER

Tendency:
make excuses;
minimize;
brush it off
So ... Who’s Your Daddy?
“You will know them by their fruits” (Mt. 7:16).

Fruit of the Spirit
But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control”
(Galatians 5:22-23)

Deeds of the flesh
“No the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions, envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these”
(Galatians 5:19-21).
Such **Good News** of Father’s Day!

Our Father in heaven *loves* you: John 3:16

Our Father in heaven is *kind*: Romans 2:4

Our Father in heaven **WANTS** you: Romans 8:32

Our Father in heaven *has plans*: Jeremiah 29:11

Are **YOU** a “chip off the old block?”