Home Group Questions - October 21, 2018

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- **1.** Name some men who have been father figures in your life. In what way did they serve in this capacity for you?
- 2. For those of you who grew up with a father figure in the house, what words would you use to describe your father or father figure? What words would you use to describe his role in the house growing up?
- **3.** Do you think your view and understanding of earthly fathers shaped your view and understanding of God at all? How so?
- **4.** Sadly, many people in this world are not raised by fathers who impact them in a positive way. And even for those of us who were, none of us have earthly fathers who were perfect. Every father makes mistakes. Every father fails to love unconditionally at some point or another. For those of you who are parents, in what ways have you found it challenging to love and raise your child the way that you ought to?
- **5.** Fortunately, no matter what kind of home we were raised in, we all have a heavenly father who is perfect to us in every way. The Bible tells us of many ways that our heavenly Father loves us unconditionally. To name a few:
 - He gives us good things
 - James 1:17; Matthew 6:25-27; Genesis 1
 - He gave us his Son for the forgiveness of our sins
 - o Galatians 4:4-6; John 20:21; 1 John 4:14
 - He gives us 24/7 access to himself
 - o Ephesians 2:18; Matthew 27:51
 - He calls us his children and gives us an inheritance
 - o Galatians 4:4-6; Ephesians 1:3-10
- **6.** Are there any other Fatherly aspects of God that you can think of?
- **7.** What aspect of God as "Father" do you find most comforting?
- **8.** In what way could you begin to rely on your heavenly Father more? In what way could you begin to find comfort in your heavenly Father more?