

# Father to Father

If you were to ask any father to talk about the measure of a man and the requirements of fatherhood, our society teaches us that things are better left unspoken and we should assume our sons unspoken and we should assume our sons will know their fathers love them. I don't mean that this is a lesson, but something that most men pick up quite early in live.

Should you become a father, stand up and take responsibility of being a man of action, compassion, warmth, strength and faith. Get involved in their schooling be respectful to the mothers and know they are watching your actions, your mannerisms and how you handle the pressure of a situation.

By no means am I, or anyone, a perfect father but and imperfect one. I have made mistakes and lost so much time over the years because of work taking me from my duties of fatherhood. Any man can make a baby, but it does not stop at conception and it truly doesn't make you a father. It is the courage to raise a child that makes you a father. If you keep god firs, then a father becomes a blessing and is no longer a responsibility.

This is a dedication to all fathers of every color, shapes and sizes.  
Have a Blessed Day!!  
Happy Father's Day 2010

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