

FATHERHOOD & LEGACY

with James & Randy Robison

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What does fatherhood mean to you? And how is it similar and different from motherhood?

JR: I believe our heavenly Father wants fathers to lead and inspire their families to seek God with all their heart, soul, mind and strength. There's no question, God does want men to lead—but that doesn't mean to "lord over" anyone. Even though God has told women to honor their husbands, He has made it clear that husbands are to "love their wives like Christ loves the church." I think it's what every girl and boy looks for in a father, and every wife seeks - a man they can admire and who will inspire them to get to know *the* Father.

RR: Fatherhood is the greatest honor in life. A mother's love is irreplaceable and when a father compliments that with a godly love, it creates an atmosphere for wholeness. While our heavenly Father can fill any missing part, when a mother and father work together to demonstrate that to their children we fulfill our Godgiven roles in the family and, in the process, find a wholeness for ourselves.

James, how did you approach fatherhood, and what did you want to model for your son?

JR: I did not have a father. The only father I had was God. I had a foster dad who was a small part of my life, but he was very busy as a pastor. He was certainly a positive influence; however, I did not see many men I could look up to, even when I was attending church. They were just "religious folks." That's sad to say but true. I wanted Jesus Christ. our children to get to know the Father. I felt inadequate in so many ways because I

had not seen fatherhood modeled. I sought God and spent a tremendous amount of time praying for our children.

Betty, my wife, was the greatest example anyone could hope for—designed perfectly as my wife and the one who, in fact, helped meet our family's needs. One of the greatest joys of my life has been helping her grow in confidence, fearlessness and an understanding that God could use her to bless so many people by her calm, quiet spirit and her deep love for God. In my opinion, she was the greatest influence on our children.

Randy, what is sonship, and what impact did your relationship with your dad have on your understanding of sonship?

RR: Sonship is the fulfillment of the commandment, "Honor your father and mother." When we honor our fathers, regardless of their imperfections, we honor God. In that, He honors us.

Randy, what's the biggest lesson you learned from your father?

RR: Seek first His kingdom and righteousness, and every other good thing will be added as He sees fit.

Let's talk about the issue of father wounds. Why are they so detrimental?

JR: When we talk about father wounds, we can talk about wounds the father brings on us. My father brought many on me by being absent, by being a terrible example, by never loving me or caring for me. He never bought me a pair of shoes or, as far as I know, a meal. The brief time my alcoholic father was in

our home, he tried to destroy my mother and me. It was very sad. One thing I knew, I didn't want alcohol to have any effect on my life because of the horrific damage it caused my father and adversely affected in his life.

Let's talk about legacy. Why should fathers be mindful of the legacy they are building and leaving for their children?

JR: I don't really like to talk about legacy. It looks like something too much about us. But I think I was moved by God to try to say something very clearly not only to my family, but to our viewers and all the people who ever heard me preach. Billy Graham and his attorneys established my ministry as the James Robison Evangelistic Association. They set up the whole 501(c) (3) ministry. They did it excellently, in such a way that gave us security and leadership that was amazing and very wise. They used my name, and as humble as Billy was, he never even gave thought to his name. But I knew people were putting ministers' and leaders' names up too high. I didn't want our ministry to be the James Robison ministry or the James Robison television show. I wanted it to be something about life and fulfilling God's kingdom purpose.

Through much prayer, we re-established the ministry totally as a 501(c)(3) church organization, Churches for LIFE and LIFE Outreach, and the television program, "LIFE Today." It's amazing how many other ministries were inspired to start emphasizing LIFE—even the titles of their ministries and television programming reflected that. It is "life" that He offers—and He offers it freely and abundantly...not necessarily with

abundance of things, but abundance of life: His life. His love. I want people to love the ministry because of kingdom purpose being fulfilled and to support the purpose and effectiveness of it, not the personality. I think our children see that very clearly, and I believe with all my heart that is their desire: that we all be about God's kingdom purpose. I think people see that in Randy and all of our family, including our grandchildren.

I'm honored that Daystar would ask us our feelings about fatherhood. I think it's the first time Randy and I have done a father-son interview, even though we now do so much together on television. Randy and Sheila Walsh have become a team and, in our opinion, as effective as Betty and I are. That's exactly the way we think about legacy. We don't leave something behind that's built around a personality, but God's kingdom purpose.

RR: My goal is to leave a legacy that is not about me, but about Jesus Christ. Though my father's ministry was built on his personality, he has sought "more of Him and less of me." That is my vision for the future.

Randy, what legacy has your dad passed down to you?

RR: James Robison has built an outreach on ministry and missions - helping hurting people in their physical, emotional and spiritual difficulties. My calling is to multiply the ministry and missions of LIFE. We will point more people to our heavenly Father, save more lives around the world and usher great multitudes in the Kingdom of God.



JESUS IS HERE

Sitting by the front window in her home, a woman hums a tune, her face wrapped in the rapture of warmth from the sunlight. A knock at the door produced instant revelry. Making her way to the door, she greeted her long-time friend and collaborator, Howard. Ushering him in quickly, she gushed over a lyrical revelation produced from her morning prayer. It would become the newest edition of the already hundreds of songs the two had conceived.

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In fact, over the course of her life she wrote a countless number of songs, making her **one of the world's most prolific Gospel songwriters.** While a variety of them became hallmarks of worship music for the next hundred years, there were still many left unfinished. Through a unique opportunity, Daystar got the distinct honor to bring several of those works to completion.

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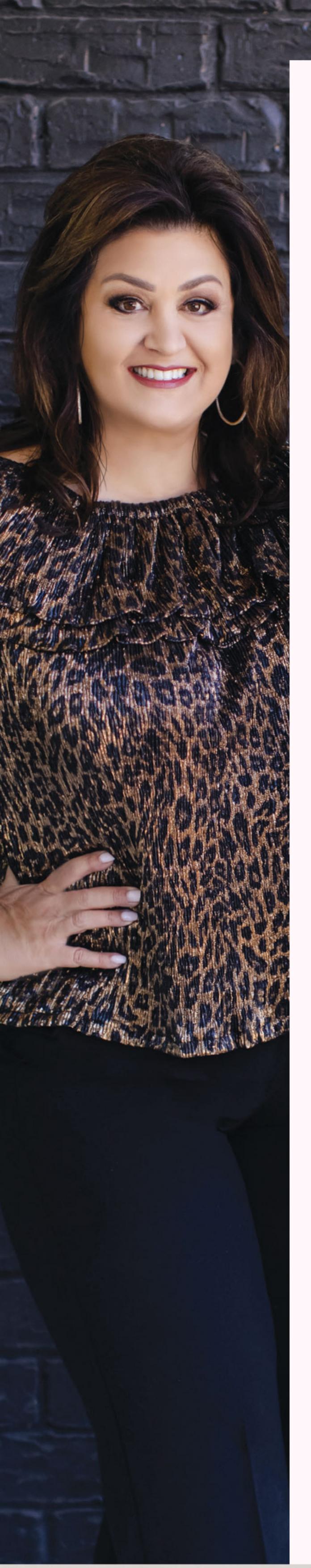


INTRODUCING

Boaz David Weiss

We're pleased to introduce you to the newest little Lamb, born to Jonathan and Rebecca on Mother's Day weekend! He is a true gift to his parents, his Noni Joni, all of his aunts, uncles, cousins, and his big brother Asher.

Thank you for continuing to pray for the Weiss family over the next few weeks as they settle into life as a family of four. We know that God has big things in His heart for Boaz and we can't wait to watch it come to pass!



Hello Daystar Family,

As we approach Father's Day, I want to take a moment to reflect on the impact fathers have. I feel so blessed that my children had such a great father in Marcus Lamb. He was a man committed to loving his children, being in their lives, and instilling strong Biblical values that are producing fruit even today.

His passion for the Lord and sharing the Gospel helped not only guide Daystar to where it is today, but it also instilled in our family a commitment to the Great Commission and a dedication to the things of God. Marcus firmly believed in loving people, sharing God's Word, aligning with the Holy Spirit, standing with Israel, and being generous. These qualities permeated everything from the way he took special time with Jonathan, Rachel, and Rebecca to how he lavished his affection on our grandchildren. I am so thankful Marcus got to be here for all of our children getting married, and I loved getting to see him be Poppy to Israel, Arielle, Asher, and Judah and pouring the same love and attention into them as he did our children.

Marcus also modeled what it means to be a giver both personally and through Daystar, and on behalf of you our partners, he gave to so many outreaches, ministries, and organizations to touch lives. He loved *Heart for the World* because it provided our partners a direct opportunity to change the world, and he was always moved by your generosity. Because of you, we've already given to bless Israel and to help those affected by the Ukraine war this year. As we approach our summer *Heart for the World*, please pray with us about what God wants to do through you this season. I know Marcus is cheering us on from Heaven.

For many like us, you are spending Father's Day apart from your loved one because they've gone home to be with the Lord. So, I want you to be sure to visit Daystar.com/OnDemand and check out the testimonies of Jim Woodford and Randy Kay who died, went to Heaven, and came back. I know these *Table Talks* will bless and encourage you. And I pray a fresh outpouring of God's love over you all this Father's Day.

Yours for Christian Television,

Joni Lamb

Co-Founder & President
Daystar Television Network

THIS MONTH

MINISTRY NOW

JUNE 20 - Lt. Colonel David Trombly

JUNE 21 - Dr. Mark Rutland

JUNE 22 - Cheryl Salem

JONI TABLE TALK JUNE 6

Judgments

Denise Boggs

Are past judgments producing roadblocks in your life? Denise Boggs reveals how to break free from the vicious cycle they cause.

JUNE 7

Performance

Denise Boggs

Is stress and burnout keeping you from finding peace? Denise Boggs exposes the trap of performance and how you can start enjoying life again.

JUNE 20

Identity Makers

How important are fathers? Marcus Lamb along with Jonathan Lamb, Joshua Brown, and Jonathan Weiss talk about the Godgiven gifts dads have as identity makers.

JUNE 27

Called to Breakthrough Rabbi Kirt Schneider

Are the struggles you're facing the key to unlocking your purpose? Rabbi Kirt Schneider shares about the persecution he faced after becoming a Christ-follower and how he ultimately found his identity and destiny.

EVENTS
JUNE 12 - 19
Heart for the World

My intimacy with God has increased tremendously since I began watching Daystar. I'm blessed through your programs daily and I partner with you because you're doing the work of God. I pray that my family and I can impact lives as Daystar does in my generation!

Esther from Ghana

I really cannot express how grateful I am for Daystar. It's essential for me and my recovery. I'm a recovering heroin addict and I truly believe that I am sober firstly because of God, and secondly because of Daystar. I watch every day, especially *Joni Table Talk* and *Ministry Now.* I love you, Lamb family! You have helped me more than you'll ever know.

April from Ohio

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