



Latest on the Or HaOlam logo signage out front ...



Dawn Wolkenfeld found a control to change the colors on our new sign (there was a video during the drash to show the colors as they changed). We are expecting our Jewish and non-Jewish neighbors to contact us soon, saying, “We have seen the light, and we are here to repent and receive the Light of the World!!”



Mal'akhi (Malachi) 3:22 (4:4)

זָכְרוּ תוֹרַת מֹשֶׁה עַבְדִּי אֲשֶׁר צִוִּיתִי אוֹתוֹ בְּחָרֵב עַל־כָּל־יִשְׂרָאֵל חֻקִּים וּמִשְׁפָּטִים :

“Remember the Torah of Moshe my servant, which I enjoined on him at Horev, laws and rulings for all Isra’el.

[Big picture ... Torah ... rulings for all of life. Implies that they are forgetting, or in danger of forgetting. Other priorities.]

Mal'akhi (Malachi) 3:23 (4:5)

הַגָּדוֹל וְהַנּוֹרָא : הַיּוֹם יִּי הַגָּדוֹל וְהַנּוֹרָא :

“Look, I will send to you Eliyahu the prophet before the coming of the great and terrible Day of Adoni.

Mal'akhi (Malachi) 3:24 (4:6)

וְהָשִׁיב לִבְאֲבוֹתָם עַל־בָּנֵיהֶם וְלִבְבָנֵיהֶם עַל־אֲבוֹתָם כִּי־אֲבֹא וְהִפֵּיתִי אֶת־הָאָרֶץ חֲרָם :

“He will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children and the hearts of the children to their fathers; otherwise I will come and strike the land with complete destruction.”

[Eliyahu NOT proclaiming Torah in all its beauty and intricacies.

HEART]



Luke 1:13

אָמַר אֵלָיו הַמַּלְאָךְ, ”אַל תִּירָא, זְכַרְיָה, כִּי נִשְׁמָעָה תְּפִלָּתְךָ.

But the angel said to him, “Don’t be afraid, Z’kharyah; because your prayer has been heard.

Luke 1:13

אֶלְיָשִׁבַע אֲשֶׁתְּךָ תֵּלֵד לְךָ בֵּן וְאַתָּה תִּקְרָא שְׁמוֹ יוֹחָנָן.

“Your wife Elisheva will bear you a son, and you are to name him Yokhanan.

Luke 1:14

שְׂמֵחָה וְגִיל יִהְיוּ לְךָ וְרַבִּים יִשְׂמְחוּ בְּהוֹלְדוֹ :

“He will be a joy and a delight to you, and many people will rejoice when he is born,

Luke 1:15

כִּי גָדוֹל יִהְיֶה לְפָנֵי יְיָ, יֵינוּ וְשִׁכָר לֹא יִשְׁתֶּה, וְיִמְלֵא רוּחַ הַקֹּדֶשׁ מִרְחֹם אִמּוֹ.

“for he will be great in the sight of Adoni. He is never to drink wine or other liquor, and he will be filled with the Ruakh *HaKodesh* even from his mother’s womb.

[Nazarite.]

Luke 1:16

רַבִּים מִבְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל יָשִׁיב אֶל יְיָ אֱלֹהֵיהֶם,

“He will turn many of the people of Isra’el to Adoni their God.

[And specifically ...]

Luke 1:17

וְיֵלֶךְ לְפָנָיו בְּרוּחַ אֱלֹהֵיוּ וּגְבוּרָתוֹ, לְהָשִׁיב לֵב אָבוֹת עַל בְּנֵיהֶם,

“He will go out ahead of Adoni in the spirit and power of Eliyahu to turn the hearts of fathers to their children

Luke 1:17

“וְסוֹרְרִים אֶל תְּבוּנַת הַצְּדִיקִים, לְהַכְשִׁיר עִם מוֹכֵן לַיְיָ.”

“and the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous, to make ready for Adoni a people prepared.”

[Disclaimer: Father’s Day and Mother’s Day are always problematic for

- *unmarried who wish they were,*
- *married men who just didn’t conceive children, and ache over that dimension of life.*

This message meant to encourage and bless and help fathers, not belittle anyone.

Quoting the prophet ... heart change in Israel.]

Do we have troubled hearts today? Hearts of fathers and children estranged? Hardened hearts to God?

Are we in need of our hearts turning, as the prophet described?

How can such heart change happen?

“in the spirit and power of Eliyahu”

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According to a new study from the Centers for Disease Control

- 31.5 percent of teens felt sad or hopeless.
- 1 in 7 teens reported misusing prescription opioids.
- 19 percent report being bullied at school

<http://fox4kc.com/2018/06/14/fewer-us-teens-smoking-doing-drugs-and-having-sex-new-cdc-study-finds/>

Think about that epidemic of deep loneliness!]



Hearts of many children are NOT nurtured, strengthened, focused on their fathers.

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Suicide is now the 10th leading cause of death among American adults and the **second leading cause among youth and adolescents.** [!!] Aaron Kheriaty, author of “Dying of Despair,” argues that rising suicide rates and many other societal ills can be traced to increased social fragmentation. He concurs with a former U.S. surgeon general’s analysis that **“social isolation is a major public health crisis, on par with heart disease or cancer.”** [*Isolation!!! Where are the fathers?*]

Similarly, Nobel Prize winner Angus Deaton and Princeton University economist Anne Case concluded that the rise in “deaths of despair” is a “failure of spiritual and social life.”

[<http://www.kansascity.com/opinion/opn-columns-blogs/syndicated-columnists/article213137559.html>]

How are we fathers doing, in our hearts toward our sons and daughters?

Apparently not too well, but...

Culture perception of fatherhood?

Makes it worse!

[*To fix it, we have to deal with the cultural influences inundating us ...*]

Helping You Thrive IN LIFE & RELATIONSHIPS

Shaunti Feldhahn

“A friend showed me this e-card and it made me steaming mad.”

You know that feeling of being able to sit down when you're exhausted? Yeah, me either. I'm not a dad.

someecards user card

[*That is, Dads can rest and relax in the recliner with TV or games ... not moms!!*]

Shaunti: After all, how would we women like it if the e-card said, “You know that feeling of being able to sit down when you’ve been mowing the lawn and trimming hedges in the summer heat all afternoon? Yeah, me neither. I’m not a wife.”]

When asked to select what attributes best describe dads in the media, dads were most likely to choose disconnected, bumbling and incompetent.

[<http://www.multivu.com/players/English/7235251-dove-men-care-reveals-calls-for-dad-short-film-fatherhood/>]

DR. JAMES DOBSON'S familytalk™

Dr. James Dobson: Have you noticed that the “women's movement,” as it is now called, has again declared all-out war on men? It is pervasive and comes in the form of ridicule, resentment, belittlement, hostility and anti-male bias. It is not a new phenomenon, of course, having begun with a vengeance in the late 60s and 70s. It was then called the “women's liberation movement.” The contemporary

version of the war between the sexes is an effort to make men look like fools. They are depicted as immature, impulsive, selfish, weak, and not very bright.

Evidence of that campaign can still be observed in almost every dimension of the culture, especially in the entertainment industry. Television commercials slam the message home night after night.

The tiresome formula involves a beautiful woman who is intelligent, sexy, admirable, self-assured and well dressed. She encounters a man who brags and blusters and says crazy things. He is ignorant, balding, and almost always overweight.

The stupid guy, as I will call him, quickly disgraces himself on screen, at which point the woman sneers or walks away. There are hundreds of these ads on TV today and have been out there for many years. Watch for them on the tube.

If you go to the link to Dr. Dobson's website here in the notes, you'll see several examples cited.

[[https://www.drjamesdobson.org/about/june-newsletter-2018?sc=FEM&mc=FEM0618NL&utm_source=SilverpopMailing&utm_campaign=20180612%20Newsletter%20\(FEM0618NL\)%20\(2\)&spMailingID=19719228&spUserID=MTk2NDM5NTE5MAS2&spJobID=1280602775&spReportId=MTI4MDYwMjc3NQs2j](https://www.drjamesdobson.org/about/june-newsletter-2018?sc=FEM&mc=FEM0618NL&utm_source=SilverpopMailing&utm_campaign=20180612%20Newsletter%20(FEM0618NL)%20(2)&spMailingID=19719228&spUserID=MTk2NDM5NTE5MAS2&spJobID=1280602775&spReportId=MTI4MDYwMjc3NQs2j)]

- Many sons and daughters are estranged and lonely.
- Many fathers uncaring,
- Many more portrayed as uncaring.



Shaunti: “In our surveys, it is very clear that the vast majority of men think about **protecting and providing for their families a lot**. They work hard to bring home a paycheck, to mow the lawn, to do the dishes, to do *whatever* they can to serve their families. Just like we women do.”

[<http://www.patheos.com/blogs/askshaunti/2018/06/bashing-dads-needs-to-stop-and-heres-why/>]

Me: Most of us men are broken, defective, imperfect, needy, but **wanting** to communicate love. Messiah's love, our love.

Kirk Cameron: We do the best we can with what we have.

Shaunti: For most men, the question, “What can I do to make my wife happy? What can I do to take care of my family?” is at the forefront of their minds. They may not do it exactly the way their wives want ... they may doubt their abilities as a father ... they may take what we think is “too much” downtime after work when dinner needs to get done... they may have different definitions of what is necessary to do. But none of that changes the fact that most men **want** to do whatever they need to

do to care for their families. [<http://www.patheos.com/blogs/askshaunti/2018/06/bashing-dads-needs-to-stop-and-heres-why/>]

In fact, dads today are caring for their children's emotional well-being (74%) and taking responsibility for their daily needs (51%)

Heart of a Dad:



[<http://www.multivu.com/players/English/7235251-dove-men-care-reveals-calls-for-dad-short-film-fatherhood/>]

[https://youtu.be/7Jpb2_YdxYM]

Real Dad moments

[Dr. Dobson tell of when he was about 3 years old, and his family was in a one-bedroom apartment. Sometimes his Dad would be awakened by a little voice saying, "Dad, Dad."]

"Yes?"

"I just want to know you are there."

Would reach out his hand and Dad reached out. Son's hand pretty immediately go limp as he fell back to sleep. Just wanted to know that Dad was there.]

How to Bless Your Child

- Meaningful touch
- A spoken message — words of love and acceptance
- Attaching High Value
- Picturing a Special Future
- An Active Commitment: time, listening [touch, talk, time]

Blind spots

We don't know ourselves.

^{1 Cor. 4.3b-4} In fact, I do not even judge myself. For I know of nothing against myself, yet I am not justified by this. It is the Lord who judges me.

When it comes to relationships, perception \equiv reality [equivalent to]

Ask them!

[We can think we are OK. This message is not about anyone in particular, other than myself! I missed some things with my kids!]

You can be wrong being right.

- P'rushim thought they were doing right, and for the most part were, but missed Messiah.
- The pilots, below, thought they were right, and mostly were right.

1956 Grand Canyon mid-air collision



At about 10:30 AM the flight paths of the two aircraft intersected over the Grand Canyon, and they collided at a closing angle of about 25 degrees. The United DC-7 was banked to the right and pitched down at the time of the collision, suggesting that one or possibly both of the United pilots saw the TWA Constellation **seconds before impact**. Didn't see before!

[\[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1956_Grand_Canyon_mid-air_collision\]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1956_Grand_Canyon_mid-air_collision)

[One plane descending and clear view. Other on a level, clear view. What do we NOT see?]

What if you blew it, you didn't see, and now your kids are teens and mad at you, or adult children alienated?

Yeshayahu/Is 44.3-5 For I will pour water on the thirsty land and streams on the dry ground; I will pour my Spirit on your descendants, my blessing on your offspring ...

Yeshayahu/Is 44.3-5

- One will say, 'I belong to Adoni.'
- Another will be called by the name of Ya'akov.
- Yet another will write that he belongs to Adoni
- and adopt the surname Isra'el."

[An illustration of a hopeless situation ...]

The revivalist D.L. Moody was on vacation in England in the 1800's from his ministry in Chicago. At one point during his sabbatical there, a local pastor prevailed upon Moody to speak at his congregation. So D.L. went to preach the next Sunday morning.

That afternoon he recorded in his journal that it was the **deadest crowd he had ever seen** and the only thing worse than preaching to those people was that he had promised to speak again the same night.

But that night, midway through his sermon something happened. The people started to come to life, and Moody felt compelled to ask if anyone would like to become a new believer. Many people stood up. He was taken aback, "Maybe you don't understand what I am asking ...

So when we are dismissed if you want to change your life, come over to this little room and meet with me." When the service was over, D.L went to the room and it was packed; and many became believers.

Now he was on vacation, and so next day, Moody boarded a boat for Ireland...but the Lord had other plans. Disembarking in Ireland he found a message awaiting him, "Come back. Revival has broken out."

So Moody returned and preached for 10 straight nights and over 400 people came to the Lord. Moody was perplexed. How could he have known that an 80 year old widow named Mary Ann Adeland had read one of his sermons in the newspaper and **begun praying every day** that God would bring revival.

[From George Whitten Worthy News]

We pray every day, how come? Luke 11.8 because of the man's persistence he will get up and give him

Yermiyahu/Jer. 23.29 "Is not My word like fire?" says Adoni, "or like a hammer that shatters rock?"



<https://youtu.be/cGbbOYaY5tU>

Video: What advice would you give future dads?

Most men WANT to be a hero to protect, provide for their wife and kids.

Wives:

- Call/draw that out, acknowledge.
- Identify it.
- Encourage it.

As John Stonestreet of the Colson Center has observed, "One of the characteristics of regular worship service attendance is that it increases social ties and strengthens already existing ones."

Yet faith and fellowship is receding from the daily lives of a growing number of Americans. Weekly attendance has dropped by almost a third among those with a high school diploma or less. Notes professor Harold Koenig of Duke University Medical Center: "Spiritual involvement has been shown to distinguish resilient from non-resilient veterans by increasing emotional stability, serving as a protective psychosocial factor, and increasing social connectedness."

As David Litts of the National Action Alliance for Suicide Prevention says, "Where there's faith, there's hope, and where there's hope, there's life."

[<http://www.kansascity.com/opinion/opn-columns-blogs/syndicated-columnists/article213137559.html>]

In general, do we build community here?

- Oneg for new acquaintance?
- Shabbat meals?
- Home groups?
- Mentoring a youth [Growing younger]
- Sozo

[Rhonda Wulf]

- Do we, as fathers, build our children: touch, talk, time?
- Do you wives celebrate, encourage the "hero" albeit limited, in your husband?

Lk. 18.3-7 There was also in that town a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me a judgment against the man who is trying to ruin me.' For a long time he refused; but after awhile, he said to himself, 'I don't fear God, and I don't respect other people; but because this widow is such a *nudnik*, I will see to it that she gets justice — otherwise, she'll keep coming and pestering me till she wears me out!'"

Then the Lord commented, "Notice what this corrupt judge says. Now won't God grant justice to his chosen people who cry out to him day and night?"

Yeshayahu/Is 44.3-5 For I will pour water on the thirsty land and streams on the dry ground; I will pour my Spirit on your descendants, my blessing on your offspring ...

All Dads by biology, adoption, foster care, big brother, please come up.

Kent will lead as all sing a blessing and empowerment to the Dads!

Tools for the Trade
Steve Chapman/1986/dawn treader music/bmi
(chorus)

If you are a father, you are a builder
And your children will become what you've made.
Please do your best,
Please don't forget,
God gave you the
tools for the trade.
He gave you eyes to see
Where your child might go wrong,
And feet to lead them
safely through.
Hands to hold their hands
And lips to say "I love you."
(repeat chorus)

(chorus)
If you are a father, you are a builder
And your children will become what you've made.
Please do your best,
Please don't forget,
God gave you the tools for the trade.
He gave you arms to hold them
When they are afraid
And time to wait
until they're calm
Ears to hear between their lines
And tears to cry
when they're gone
(bridge)
And your knees are for playing
And they're also for praying
That God will watch over the child
And in those times
when you can't say it
But they still need to hear it
You can say "I love you"
with your smile.

If you are a father, you are a builder
And your children will become
What you've made
Please do your best
And please don't forget
God gave you the tools for the trade

Please don't forget so that
You can do your best
God gave you the tools for the trade.