## **God Does Not Mold Sissies**

A few years ago in a "Focus on the Family" newsletter this was written. "Our welfare system has rendered men virtually unnecessary. In millions of situations they are not needed to provide for or protect their families. Assistance programs put food on the table. In fact, financial aid actually decreases if men remain in the home. Who needs 'em? When maintenance problems occur in their tenement buildings, they will be fixed by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. When children get in trouble, social workers step in. Thus, a man's role in a family may not extend much beyond the act of impregnation."

I don't know what the stats are on how many single parent homes there are, but one study states that 80% of them are female single parents. So, my question is this? Where are these children going to find the example of what a Christian man should be like? Will they find one on the television? In the movies? In the music industry? Men, listen to this statement. "We won't have better sons until we have better fathers." Let me add to that. We won't have better young boys until we have better godly men for them to see and want to be like.

John Cherry, an African-American preacher had this to say. "There were eight of us with a good, strong father, and that's why I know it works. The difference between me and somebody out there in the street, shooting and killing and shooting up, had to have been my father. I think we've let a nation grow up whose parents don't know the Lord. And when you don't know God from any perspective, you can't recognize your hog pen. (Referring to the prodigal son.) The prodigal son had a reference point. We have children with no reference point."

Our children, the children of our church family, and the children we come in contact with need some reference points. The boys need to see what it is like to be a Christian man, and it would be good for the girls to see too. Many children have no idea where to find one, what they look like, or even know that they exist. The church can no longer be content in producing good men. This church must produce super men of God. Not pew fillers, but God lovers. Not spiritual wimps, but super men of faith.

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