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To the Fathers

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Happy Father's Day!

To all you Father's here, thank you. I know the weight of your calling is not easy. You feel the critical nature of your responsibility and are trying your best to fulfill expectations, of God and others.

You are doing a great work. A lifetime work. The term we use to address the Almighty God of the Universe is Father. That is not by accident. Because it describes the core relationship between you and Him. And between you and all people on the earth. This is important. Because in order to worship God or have faith in Him, you must know what kind of being He is.

And that's the answer: He is your Father.

As you come to know and truly believe this, you will realize that your role as a father is so much more. You are learning in the best way possible, first hand experience, how to be like Him. To love and serve, teach and guide your fellow eternal siblings to return to Him and His glorious presence.

And you don't have to do it alone. You have an eternal companion to help you. How you work together with her as an equal partner is part of your training.

It starts and ends with love.

You are learning to be a being of love. Driven, guided, motivated and directed by love.

Love of your Father in Heaven, of your Savior, of your wife, and children, and for every other human being. Love is the answer to all your questions. It is the power to overcome the adversary.

Surrender to love, the pure love of Christ, and you will know what it means to be a father. A father like your Father in Heaven, God.

Then your joy becomes Godlike: full and complete, glorious, eternal.

"Men are that they might have joy." (2 Nephi 2:25)

As we take a day to recognize your role as a father, I hope you recognize the joy you currently receive from this position, and the eternal possibility of a fullness of joy, because of love. Your Father in Heaven loves you enough to allow you the opportunity to be like Him, a Father. What a glorious state!

Happy Father's Day!

I hope you feel divine happiness as you walk this precious path of love.

Take care (of your precious ones!)

Bishop Williams

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