

WHAT KIND OF FATHER IS GOD?

How God Meets Your Deepest Needs Rick Warren & Tom Holladay

"This, then, is how you should pray: 'Our Father in heaven." Matthew 6:9 (NIV)

1. GOD IS A _____

"As a father has <u>compassion</u> on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him." Psalm 104:13 (NIV)

"Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you." 1 Peter 5:7 (NIV)

"So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we wear?' . . . <u>Your</u> <u>heavenly Father</u> knows you need them." Matthew 6:31-32 (NIV)

2. GOD IS A _____

"Every good and perfect gift is from above . . . who <u>does not change</u> like shifting shadows." James 1:17 (NIV)

"If we are faithless, he <u>remains faithful</u>, for he cannot disown himself." 2 Timothy 2:13 (NIV)

"He will never go back on his promises." Romans 11:29 (TLB)

"My God is changeless in his love for me." Psalm 59:10 (TLB)

3. GOD IS A

"God did this so that they would seek him . . . reach out for him and find him, though <u>he is not far</u> from any one of us." Acts 17:27 (NIV)

He is never _____

"The Lord is near to all who call on him." Psalm 145:18 (NIV)

• He loves to _

"If you . . . know how to give good gifts to your children, <u>how much more</u> will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!" Matthew 7:11 (NIV)

He is sympathetic

"The Lord is <u>close</u> to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit." Psalm 34:18 (NIV)

4. GOD IS A

"For nothing is impossible with God." Luke 1:37 (NIV)

"(God) is able to do <u>far more</u> than we would ever dare to ask or even dream of infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, or hopes." Ephesians 3:20 (TLB)

"Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. <u>No one comes to the</u> <u>Father except through me</u>. If you really know me, you will know my Father as well.'" John 14:6-7(NIV)

"We are children of God through faith in Jesus Christ." Galatians 3:26 (TLB)

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