

# FATHERLESSNESS <sup>1 2</sup>

## FATHERLESSNESS TAKES THE FORM OF

Abandonment  
Inattention and preoccupation  
Abortion  
Gross immorality  
Rejection  
Abusing or misusing children

FATHERLESSNESS IS WHEN A FATHER FAILS TO BE A FATHER

## LAWLESSNESS – THE RESULT OF FATHERLESSNESS

The role of a father is to identify and name his child and bring forth his or her destiny. The only way a child will know who they are is if their father tells them. A person's primary identity is formed by what their father says about them and how he acts towards them.

When a father turns his heart from his child, the child suffers a devastating wound of rejection. Their identity and destiny is formed in rejection.

*Romans 8:15 For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father." 16 The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God,*

This spirit of bondage is an evil spirit that drives a person to fear. Fear of not knowing who we are, a fear of not knowing if we have worth or significance, a fear of being unvalued. We receive this spirit when we are formed in rejection.

This fear drives us either to reject all external value systems or to fight and strive to create our own identity through performance. A value system is a system of measurement. When a person feels they've failed the measurement, they will either drive incessantly to measure up within their own system (performance, religion, work-aholicism), or they will reject all value systems (relativism).

The wanderer or the performer

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<sup>1</sup> Fatherlessness in the Last Generation, [www.book-of-revelation-end-times.com/father.html](http://www.book-of-revelation-end-times.com/father.html)

<sup>2</sup> Fatherlessness in the Last Generation, Forerunner School of Ministry – Derek Loux, IHOP-KC Mission Base, [www.ihop.org](http://www.ihop.org)

When a child is rejected by his/her father, and then the father tries to impose a value system on that child, the child will willfully violate every point of the value system as a statement of protest in response to the rejection.

A root of rejection from fatherlessness will result in bondage and defilement.

***Hebrews 12:14-15***

***14 Pursue peace with all people, and holiness, without which no one will see the Lord:***

***15 looking carefully lest anyone fall short of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble, and by this many become defiled;***

Peace with people is horizontal harmony, holiness is vertical harmony. To achieve this place requires the grace (divine desire and ability) of God. A root of bitterness will block the grace of God flowing in your life. Strong's defines the word "bitterness" as "poisonous or acrid". When something is acrid it has an irritatingly strong unpleasant taste or smell.

If this poisonous or painful root is not dealt with, it will grow up and mature. It will cause you trouble. Strong's defines the word trouble here as "to harass, crowd or vex". This painful and acrid root will take over your life, it will crowd you out and oppress you. This oppression is spiritual and from the enemy, it is a demonic exaggeration of a natural wound.

The final stage is reached when a state of defilement matures. Defilement here means moral defilement. Moral defilement renders a person powerless to be a spiritual father and so the cycle continues and worsens.

The greatest need in the final generation is for fathers. This is why Elijah is sent. Widespread fatherlessness is causing a bitter root of rejection to spring up in the nations, causing an opening for widespread demonic oppression and defilement, resulting in global lawlessness.

***Matthew 24:12***

***And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold.***

In 2 Thessalonians 2:8, the Anti-Christ is called the "lawless one". In a global atmosphere of lawlessness, the lawless one will arise and the nations will follow him. His message will be, "I will tell you who you are, where you came from, and where you are going". He will give the nations a sense of identity and destiny that is separate from God.

**IN OUR DAY, FATHERLESSNESS HAS PRODUCED ABORTION AND RAMPANT IMMORALITY.**

Will God not judge America for its murder of 50 million babies for personal gain? Unless we get radical about a lifestyle of solemn assembly, we will not be spared either. The only safety is in the place of contrite, solemn, lives of prayer and repentance.

**AS END-TIME FORERUNNERS WE MUST HAVE THE SPIRIT OF ELIJAH**

The end-time prophetic spirit of Elijah is a fathering spirit that sets the lonely in families, calls out this generation's identity and destiny, and confronts an idolatrous culture of immorality and death. This is the essence of a forerunner spirit.

Since the Holy Spirit is the spirit which cries out "Abba Father" (Rom 8), then the Joel 2 outpouring of the Spirit on all flesh is God's answer for the Mal 4:5-6 dilemma of global fatherlessness.

**WE CAN'T EFFECTIVELY FATHER THIS GENERATION UNTIL WE DEAL WITH OUR FATHERLESSNESS AND BITTER ROOTS OF REJECTION.**

We must encounter our heavenly Father and experience Him identifying us and telling us our destiny.

**GOD IS THE ULTIMATE FATHER TO ALL OF US**

Father to the fatherless - Psalm 68:5

A father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows, is God in his holy habitation.