

### A) Preliminaries

	Transliteration	Occurrences
אב		
ἄββᾱ		
πατήρ, πατρός		

"[The Fatherhood of God is] not just another idea peripheral to the central core of biblical teaching and needs to be recognised as such."

[David Tasker, *Ancient Near Eastern Literature and the Hebrew Scriptures About the Fatherhood of God* (2004), p.1]

Discussion Question: What are some of the roles of a father?

### B) Aspects of God's Fatherhood

i) In relation to Jesus

ii) In relation to Israel

iii) In relation to Christians

### C) Implications for us

a) \_\_\_\_\_: children are to \_\_\_\_\_ the Father's likeness (**Matthew 5:48**)

b) \_\_\_\_\_: one Father means \_\_\_\_\_ (**Ephesians 4:4-6**)

c) \_\_\_\_\_: believers are \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus Christ (**Matthew 12:50**)

d) \_\_\_\_\_: believers are \_\_\_\_\_ of the Father's kingdom (**Romans 8:17**)

e) \_\_\_\_\_: believers are to conduct themselves \_\_\_\_\_ (**1 Peter 1:17**)