

Everlasting Father

(Week 4 of Advent)

Before you begin, quiet your heart and ask for a fresh revelation of God's great Father-love for you.

Lord Jesus, how I thank You that although You are God, You did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but You made Yourself to be nothing and took on the very nature of a servant, and were made in human likeness. Thank You for Your willingness to humble Yourself to the point of death on the cross for me! Lord Jesus, You are the radiance of God's glory and exact representation of His being—the very image of the invisible God! You are the Everlasting Father incarnate!

Forgive me, for the times that I ascribe to You attributes of my earthly father, and help me by Your Spirit to see and understand Your true character. I ask You to renew my mind in this area, that everything that sets itself up against truly knowing You would be destroyed. And I acknowledge and confess with my mouth that . . .

- You are compassionate and gracious
- Your love endures forever, it never fails
- You are merciful
- You are faithful to all Your promises
- You are mighty to save and rejoice over me with singing!

Thank You for making me Your child and for the incredible privilege of calling You "Abba" (Daddy!). How can this be? Empower me by the Holy Spirit to understand what it means, in my daily living, that You delight in me, and may this revelation change how I approach You and express my heart to You. May I become as a little child and rest in Your great Fatherly love and care, for there is a longing in my heart for intimacy that only You can fulfill. In Jesus' Name I pray, amen.

Philippians 2:6-8; Hebrews 1:3; Colossians 1:15; Isaiah 9:6

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