



20th June 2021

Cawdor Church I/w Croy and Dalcross Church

*Enter as a Guest leave as Friends*

*Welcome Home and let's SING!!*

**"How deep the Fathers love for us"- CD**

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*I will bow down toward your holy temple  
in the fear of you.*

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because of my enemies;*

*make your way straight before me.—Psalm 5:7-8*



Silence

**(Take time to ask God to speak with thee)**

**"This is the day, this is the day"**

1/ This is the day, this is the day  
 That the Lord has made, that the Lord has made  
 We will rejoice, we will rejoice  
 And be glad in it and be glad in it  
 This is the day that the Lord has made  
 We will rejoice and be glad in it  
 This is the day, this is the day  
 That the Lord has made.

2/ This is the day....that he rose again.

3/ This is the day....when the Spirit came.

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**Prayer**

**Ezekiel 9**

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throughout the city of Jerusalem and put a mark on the foreheads of those who grieve and lament over all the detestable things that are done in it."

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This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

### **Father's Day / Prayer**

#### **"Lord of all hopefulness"**

Lord of all hopefulness Lord of all joy, Whose trust, ever child-like,  
No cares could destroy, Be there at our waking,  
And give us, we pray, Your bliss in our hearts, Lord,  
At the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, Whose strong hands were skilled  
At the plane and the lathe, Be there at our labours,  
And give us, we pray, Your strength in our hearts, Lord,  
At the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace, Your hands swift to welcome,  
Your arms to embrace, Be there at our homing,  
And give us, we pray, Your love in our hearts, Lord,  
At the eve of the day.

## Reflection

### Intercession Prayer/ Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

### Eternal Father, Strong To Save

1 Eternal Father, strong to save, Whose arm does bind the restless wave,  
Who bids the mighty ocean deep Its own appointed limits keep;  
O hear us when we cry to Thee For those in peril on the sea.

2 O Savior, whose almighty word The winds and waves submissive heard,  
Who walked upon the foaming deep, And calm amid the rage did sleep;  
O hear us when we cry to Thee For those in peril on the sea.

3 O Holy Spirit, who did brood Upon the waters dark and rude,  
And bid their angry tumult cease, And give for wild confusion peace;  
O hear us when we cry to Thee For those in peril on the sea.

4 O Trinity of love and pow'r, Your children shield in danger's hour;  
From rock and tempest, fire, and foe, Protect them where-so-e'er they go;  
Thus, evermore shall rise to Thee Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

## Benediction

**In the power of the Holy Spirit, we now go forth into the world to fulfil our calling as the people of God, the body of Christ. (All say)**

- Go in peace, love and care for one another in the name of Christ;
- and may the love of God the Father rest upon you
  - may the grace and the mercy of Christ Jesus the Son dwell within you
  - and may God the Holy Spirit strengthen, comfort, and sustain you

**"Three-fold Amen"**

**20<sup>th</sup> June 2021 - Written Service**



**How deep the fathers love for us**

How Deep The Father's Love For Us

•6 Sept 2009



[Taylor Householder](#)

How Deep the Father's Love for Us by Joy Williams.

How deep the Father's love for us?

How vast beyond all measure?

That He should give His only Son

To make a wretch His treasure

How great the pain of searing loss?

The Father turns His face away

As wounds which mar the Chosen One

Bring many sons to glory

Behold the man upon a cross  
 My sin upon His shoulders  
 Ashamed I hear my mocking voice  
 Call out among the scoffers

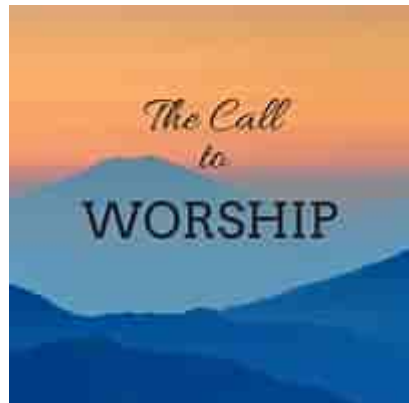
It was my sin that held Him there  
 Until it was accomplished  
 His dying breath has brought me life  
 I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything  
 No gifts, no power, no wisdom  
 But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
 His death and...

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## A period of silence

### This is the day the Lord has made

The Royal Wedding Ceremony - Westminster Abbey Choir - This is the day (by John Rutter) • 30 Apr 2011 1.7K 74



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#### THE ANTHEM

This is the day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice and be glad in it. O praise the Lord of heav'n: praise him in the height. Praise him, all ye angels of his: praise him, all his host. Praise him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars and light. Let them praise the Name of the Lord. For he shall give his angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways. The Lord himself is thy keeper: the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand; so that the sun shall not burn thee by day: neither the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in: from this time forth for evermore. He shall defend thee under his wings. Be strong, and he shall comfort thine heart, and put thou thy trust in the Lord. John Rutter specially commissioned by the Dean and Chapter of Westminster for this service.

**Below is what we normally sing in Church from the hymnary (CH4)**

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**Prayer**

O God, we are delighted to be able to come on this day to worship you, for you are with us through the Holy Spirit...as we have sat in silence, we ask you to be at the centre of our service. We delight in you for you give us freedom to do what we like, we're able to walk with you and accept your love or we can say we're fine without you. We know as believers that this is not an option for, we worship you and live within your restraints. We delight in you for you give us comfort when needed, nourishment when we are feeling empty and down, as our strengths weaken, you will keep us strong. We delight in you for all that you do, which is not visible to others and at times not noticed by ourselves. Forgive our blindness and lack of interest at times. We know all too well that when all is going fine, we will not be as attentive to you, as we are when life is not going as well as we'd wished. Forgive our lack of positivity and putting our trust in you wholly. We know there are times when we simply cannot be bothered, or find that we're too busy to build on our relationship, putting you at the back of our lives. You must feel at times abandoned by your creation, and we apologise and ask for your forgiveness for we are not as faithful as we should be. You care more about us than we do of you, and so in silence we are asking you to forgive us personally and may we be more willing to know you better...Silence..... Lord God we delight in you, for you are almighty and wonderful, full of love and concern for us all. Bless our lives and lead us forward in your name so that we are able to be better followers and grow in you, O' God of peace and understanding we adore and thank you. Amen.

Ezekiel passes directly from the nations sin to its punishment. What he sees in his vision is divine judgement. He is told to mark out for preservation the faithful element on the nation, those who have separated themselves in spirit from its evil practices. Thus, God's judgement will thus sift the righteous from the wicked, so that the former will be secure while the latter perish.



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### **When is Father's Day 2021?**

**It's on 20th June.**

Father's Day is an annual celebration that allows us to show appreciation for the important father figures in our lives.

Did you know, that we've been celebrating fathers for centuries, and an annual day set aside for the celebration of fatherhood in Catholic Europe can be traced back as far as 1508.

Unlike Mother's Day, which is celebrated on a different date, Father's Day falls on the same day in the US and Canada as it does in the United Kingdom.

**Joke:**

A minister explained how Saturday was a day to get things done around their house because of work, family and church responsibilities. Just a few weeks ago he and his youngest son Jeff who is six years old had just finished mowing the lawn and were putting things away. The pastor thought this would be a terrific opportunity to rest and spend a few minutes with Jeff. The two of them crawled up on the family's trampoline and gazed up into the blue sky. With a puzzled look, Jeff turned and asked "Dad...Why are we here?"

The minister thought this would be great teaching opportunity so he explained how we are children of our Father in Heaven, how he has sent us here because he loves us and wants us to experience the things, he has created for us, how he wants us to serve one another, to learn, to grow and to develop those qualities that will allow us to return to live with Him some day. The father paused and asked if that had answered his question. Jeff responded, "Not really". The pastor then began to think how else he might be able to answer the question when Jeff again asked, "Dad ... Why are we here? - weren't we supposed to pick Mom up an hour ago?"

### Let us pray

We give our thanks, Creator God, for the fathers in our lives. Fatherhood does not come with a manual, and reality teaches us that some fathers excel while others fail. We ask for Your blessings for them all - and forgiveness where it is needed. This Father's Day we remember the many sacrifices fathers make for their children and families, and the ways - both big and small - they lift children to achieve dreams thought beyond reach. So too, we remember all those who have helped fill the void when fathers pass early or are absent - grandfathers and uncles, brothers and cousins, teachers, ministers and sport coaches - and the women of our families. For those who are fathers, we ask for wisdom and humility in the face of the task of parenting. Give them the strength to do well by their children and by You. In Your Holy name, O God, we pray. Amen



### Lord of all hopefulness

Lord of all hopefulness Hymn (+lyrics) - Westminster Abbey

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Text: Jan Struther 1901-53. Hymn tune: SLANE (Traditional Irish Melody)  
Sung at the Commonwealth Service 2018 at Westminster Abbey.

Lord of all hopefulness,  
 Lord of all joy,  
 Whose trust, ever child-like,  
 No cares could destroy,  
 Be there at our waking,  
 And give us, we pray,  
 Your bliss in our hearts, Lord,  
 At the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
 Whose strong hands were skilled  
 At the plane and the lathe,  
 Be there at our labours,  
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Now may the God of hope fill  
 you with all joy and peace in  
 believing, so that you will  
 abound in hope by the power of  
 the Holy Spirit

Romans 15:13

## Reflection

<sup>4</sup> and said to him, "Go throughout the city of Jerusalem and put a mark on the foreheads of those who grieve and lament over all the detestable things that are done in it."

What Verse four is actually saying is to place a *tav* on the foreheads of the righteous inhabitants of Jerusalem, a mark. The word is *tav* the old form of which was a cross. And so, upon the foreheads—the most conspicuous part of the person, to imply how their safety would be manifested to all. It was customary thus to mark worshippers and servants. As you know many churches like us within the Church of Scotland when baptizing a child or adult, the minister makes a mark on their forehead, a sign of the cross after the minister dips his finger into the holy water. And if we look back at the book of Exodus there was a mark on the houses, for then it was families; here, it is on the foreheads, for it is individuals whose safety is guaranteed. A mark to which the servants of God are sealed. We are told the mark was made by an angel with a writing kit, was to mark as special those who were broken hearted over sin." There is much stress laid upon this use of the sign of the cross as the mark for the Divine mercy by the older Christian writers, such as Tertullian, Origen, and Jerome. This marking was done, it is true, in vision, but the symbolism is taken from such passages as Genesis 4:15; "But the Lord said to him, "Not so; anyone who kills Cain will suffer vengeance seven times over." Then the Lord put a mark on Cain so that no one who found him would kill him."

A mark is used many times within the Bible to identify... It is clear, however, that there could be no anticipation of the Christian symbolism in the minds of Ezekiel or of his hearers. The "mark" was to be placed on all who were still faithful to the worship of their fathers, though they could show their faithfulness only by lamentation of the national apostasy.

If we walk along the roads and see sheep in the fields, or on the hillside we will notice a mark is given to identify them. When you think of ewes, say half a field away, ewes will know their lambs and lambs recognise their known mothers by their bleats. But if you are a farmer rather than a sheep, then you need another practical, quick, and simple way to identify your sheep. (Saying this, many shepherds will recognise their sheep without having a mark.) If you have seen sheep on the hills, or in the fields, I am sure you will have noticed the paint marks on their fleeces. They are *smit marks* and farmers have been using them for hundreds of years to identify who sheep belong to. A daub of paint - perhaps two marks of red or one of black - nearer the haunch or the shoulder. From these a farmer would know which were his sheep and which belonged to his

neighbour. In the 21st century, sheep are required by law to have digital tags implanted under the skin. Their main use is to identify a sheep when disease strikes, and action needs to be taken quickly. Today our pets, dogs and cats are tagged, I am identified by a marker of my role, the dog collar, (although it seems to become rather rare with some). We recognise a nurse by her uniform along with the Police, fire brigade, a chef in whites is known as a person who cooks food...and so on. We often talk about big brother is watching, with CTV cameras all over the place, yet we forget many of us walk about with an obvious mark of what we work as. As Christians we have a mark upon our hearts it might be an invisible mark, yet by how we act or re-act to situations, the mark of God can become very much visible.

If we think back to our reading, in verse one God summonses six angels who had been the guardian angels of the city, and told them to bring their weapons... to become the instruments of God's divine wrath. They came from the North ... indicating that God would send punishment from the North = Babylon. God also called a seventh angel with a writing kit... a leader to record the events. When doom falls upon a people, God's will for those who have opposed the evil in that community is not their safety but their redemption. He does not take them out of the agony of their generation but calls them to enter into it with him. For he too can be found in it, not as a mere judge, he takes it on his heart in sympathy and fellow suffering. The true servants of God do not ask for exemption, but only that they may so accept their share in the tragic events of their time that they may be able to turn the bad times into good, first in themselves and then in the community with which they are so closely bound. God does indeed set a mark upon their foreheads, but it is a sign that he elects them to a share in his redemptive pain. If we understand this, we can look upon the fate of Jerusalem with other eyes than those of the prophet. We know that enough men and women emerged from catastrophe to carry on God's work. They signed and cried for the sins of the old city, but they bore in their hearts the hope of a new one, and their children returned to build it. In them the purpose of redemption was fulfilled. That was because they shared to the uttermost what came to their people. Would it have been fulfilled had they been given safety? We may doubt it.

A minister, while crossing the Bay of Biscay, became greatly alarmed as he beheld what he thought was an approaching hurricane. Trembling, he addressed himself to one of the sailors: "Do you think the ship will be able to go through it?" "Through what?" inquired the sailor. "That awful hurricane that is coming down upon us." The old sailor smiled and said: "That storm will never touch us. It has passed us already." So, in regard to the believer, judgment as to the penalty of our sins is past. We were tried, condemned, and executed in the person of

our Surety, Jesus Christ. The mark is on our hearts, that we have been forgiven and as we know none of us are ever perfect...we try to be, yet fail. There are the times when we know and have said, my goodness, I have let myself down in how I reacted, I should think before I speak or act, I may have not allowed God's love to shine through. There will be many occasions when we have thought afterwards, the marker of God is upon me, the cross of Christ and it can be seen yet have I actually honoured that mark, Christ whose life was a shining example. Maybe we should take more time to think about the mark which is upon us, the mark of love, of strength, the mark of guidance, the mark of forgiveness, the mark which says we are one of Gods people and we do not put ourselves first. Isn't it wonderful to think with the mark we have, it can bring us closer to God our creator the one who has set his mark on us through the cross and is on our hearts, freely and willingly offering redemption to us?

In the name of the Father Son and Holy Spirit Amen.



**Near, my God, to thee**

André Rieu - Nearer, My God, to Thee (live in Amsterdam)

•30 Jul 2013



[André Rieu](#)

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!  
 E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me  
 Still all my song would be nearer, my God, to Thee,  
 Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

Though like the wanderer, the sun gone down,  
 Darkness be over me, my rest a stone  
 Yet in my dreams I'd be nearer, my God, to Thee,  
 Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

There let the way appear steps unto heav'n  
 All that Thou sendest me in mercy giv'n  
 Angels to beckon me nearer, my God, to Thee,  
 Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

The with my waking thoughts bright with Thy praise,  
 Out of my stony griefs Bethel I'll raise  
 So by my woes to be nearer, my God, to Thee,  
 Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

Or if on joyful wing, cleaving the sky,  
 Sun, moon, and stars forgot, upwards I fly,  
 Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to Thee,  
 Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!



**Right hand of fellowship**

**and Peace**

**"Peace in Christ"**

**I am leaving with you a gift, peace of mind and heart. John 14:17**



**Peace be with you.**



## **LOOKING AT THE WORLD MORE CLOSELY**

### **Intercession Prayer**

In Taiz, Yemen, hundreds of children arrive for lessons each day in the ruins of a school near front-line fighting between the government and Houthi rebels. Ahmed, a nine-year-old boy who has been blind since birth, steps in to teach classes when the teachers can't make it. One in every five Yemeni schools is out of use, according to Unicef. But at this one, teachers decided to open it despite the damage, so that education could continue.

<https://youtu.be/vf5WFl19UOc>

Here are a few comments by people who have watched the 2 min 18 sec video

Comments:

- 1/ And here I was complaining about having a short leg on my desk, let's all take a moment to appreciate the blessings we have
- 2/ Millions starving in Yemen and the world just watches and shakes its head
- 3/ I can't believe I didn't appreciate my time in school.
- 4/ Most kids in the west, skive off given half the chance, these kids will go to a bombed-out shell and be taught by one of their own who is blind!
- 5/ I can't tell if this is incredibly sad or incredibly inspirational. Let's go with inspirational. The kids seem so buoyant and humble, despite living in probably the most dangerous conditions in the world right now.
- 6/I wish people would spend less money on lavish things and instead fund causes like this.
- 7/Here we are, watching videos on YouTube while these kids don't even have a safe ceiling on top of their heads...
- 8/ This is heart breaking, made me cry. Children deserve to be children. I am in awe of how these kids continue to go to school. Education (and seeing their friends), - the importance of having some form of continuity is so important even in this pandemic yet alone a war zone. The kid teaching is amazing, bless him. They still have hope despite their circumstances. As an educator, it serves as a reminder of the hope that education brings.

Prayer: Dear God, thank you for the opportunity to be able to speak with you here today, for the connection we can have with you and for how you answer our prayers because you know what truly is needed of the world and ourselves. At times when we pray we feel you do not listen, deep down we know this is not true for you answer each prayer in the way you feel is correct.

O Lord, as we hear about Ahmed and his friends in Yemen, we feel helpless, unsure what we can do. We ask you to help us to be able to help them. We pray for each child that is suffering, each family that mourn, each person who is ill, each teacher who will educate, for this country of Yemen is in crisis. Open our eyes to what is happening, and tear down our frail excuse not to help, where we can put ourselves first, may we be ashamed of saying charity begins at home first. Lord so much is happening in the world and we hear such sad stories of people who are suffering of all ages. We learn of children and adults who go hungry, where crops cannot grow, and famine is not a dreadful dream, it's a reality....We pray for all who are deceased and are desperately ill, our hearts cry out Lord help please. So many people who are suffering from blindness, from being disabled due to war, and find movement painful, to those who are mentally unable ...we pray and hand over to you. Help us to understand and to be more caring where we think first of others before making an excuse...forgive us Lord and help us to be more Christlike. We pray for people today, family and friends who need your help and our prayers...silence. We pray for ourselves and ask you to lift our hearts and needs closer to you...silence. Draw us closer to thee, and all who need our help...may we be able to find the words of kindness, of inspiration and love as we are brought closer to our brothers and sister...silence. As your Holy Spirit guides our feet, may he also draw us closer in words and actions, we pray for the churches who are looking for volunteers, such as our neighbouring church, Croy who is looking for a new fabric convenor and soon a session clerk...may this prayer not be one of words but now fundamentally of action...help us to seek, to ask and guide us to deliver what is needed for a church to run smoothly. We thank you for a new treasurer who has offered their assistance, time and help. We pray for our brothers and sisters around the world, where their church families do not have a minister and are looking to install one...we pray for all vacancies at home and abroad who continue to pray help us Lord, lead us forward Lord, speak with us. Unite us all as brothers and sisters as one, and help us to do what Jesus would expect of us to love thy neighbour and put them first, as we now say the words, he taught....

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us**

not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen



### Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Eternal Father, Strong to Save (Words: William Whiting, Music: Melita, John B. Dykes) • 11 Aug 2015

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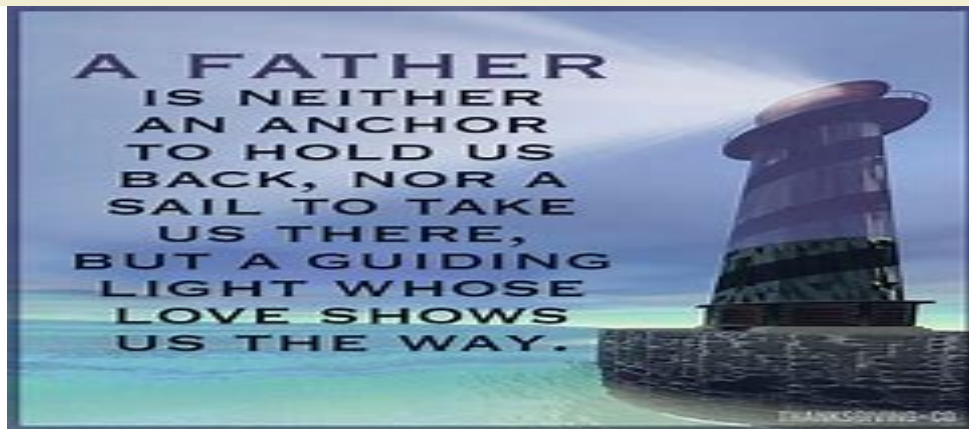
1 Eternal Father, strong to save,  
Whose arm does bind the restless wave,  
Who bids the mighty ocean deep  
Its own appointed limits keep;  
O hear us when we cry to Thee  
For those in peril on the sea.

2 O Savior, whose almighty word  
The winds and waves submissive heard,  
Who walked upon the foaming deep,  
And calm amid the rage did sleep;  
O hear us when we cry to Thee  
For those in peril on the sea.

3 O Holy Spirit, who did brood  
Upon the waters dark and rude,  
And bid their angry tumult cease,  
And give for wild confusion peace;  
O hear us when we cry to Thee  
For those in peril on the sea.

4 O Trinity of love and pow'r,  
Your children shield in danger's hour;  
From rock and tempest, fire, and foe,

Protect them where-so-e'er they go;  
 Thus, evermore shall rise to Thee  
 Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.



### **Benediction**

In the power of the Holy Spirit, we now go forth into the world,  
 to fulfil our calling as the people of God,  
 the body of Christ.

Go in peace, love and care for one another in the name of Christ;  
 - and may the love of God the Father rest upon you  
 - may the grace and the mercy of Christ Jesus the Son dwell within you  
 - and may God the Holy Spirit strengthen, comfort, and sustain you  
 both now and forevermore. Amen

### **Joke time**

#### **What Famous Fathers Would Say**

Over the centuries fathers have given their children plenty of good advice.

- Christopher Columbus' Father: I don't care what you've discovered, Christopher. You could have written.
- Michelangelo's Father: Mike, can't you paint on walls like other children? Do you have any idea how hard it is to get that stuff off the ceiling?
- Napoleon's Father: All right, Napoleon. If you aren't hiding your report card inside your jacket, then take your hand out of there and prove it.
- Goldilocks' Father: I've got a bill here for a broken chair from the Bear family. Do you know anything about this Goldie?
- Albert Einstein's Father: But, Albert, it's your senior picture. Can't you do something about your hair? Styling gel, mousse, something...?

- Thomas Edison's Father: Of course, I'm proud that you invented the electric light bulb, Thomas. Now turn off that light and get to bed!
- Humpty Dumpty's Father: Humpty, If I've told you once, I've told you a hundred times not to sit on that wall. But would you listen to me? O' No!