



Greatest Challenges faced by Christian Dads

“What’s your single greatest challenge as a father?”

1,929 Total Responses

63 Tagged Issues

8 Major Groups

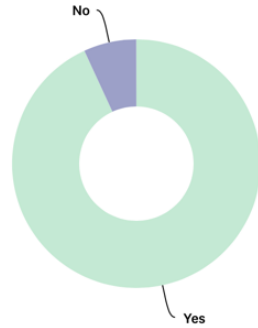
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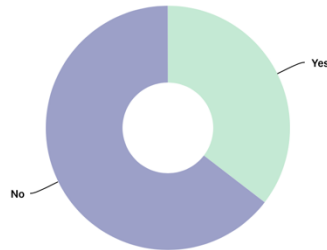
Who are these dads?



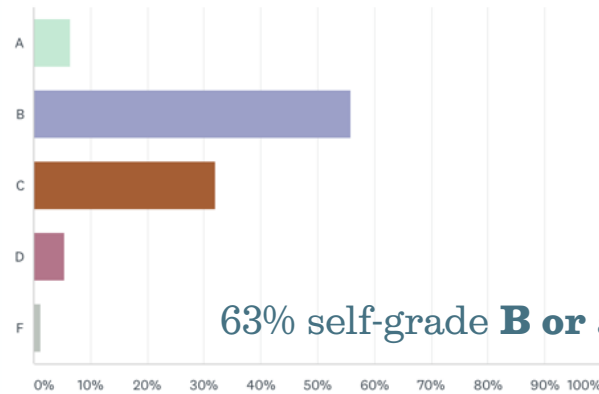
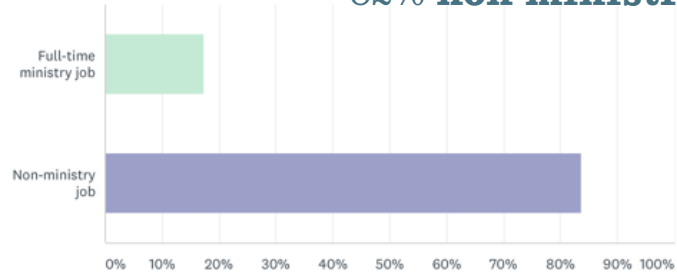
Most are **married**



Most have **no mentor**



82% **non-ministry** jobs



63% self-grade **B or above**

4 Core Challenges

Leadership | 55.8%

Feeling inadequate & like failures **26.0%**

Balancing priorities & time management **15.1%**

Providing strong leadership **14.7%**

Communication | 25.2%

Communicating & connecting **21.1%**

Working through marriage trouble **4.1%**

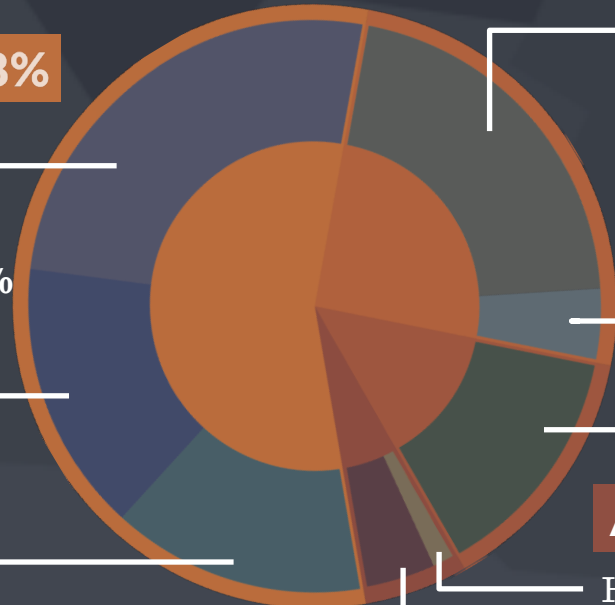
Training | 13.5%

Training, obedience & discipline **13.5%**

Adversity | 5.5%

Handling challenging & difficult children **4.0%**

Overcoming financial challenges **1.5%**



Time pressures

Quick Takeaways

#1: Dads struggle with **time allocation**

They're wearing a lotta hats or hustling at a demanding job. They feel time-strapped.

Communication

#2: Dads **aren't great communicators**

They can't get their children to open up, or they just don't think they're being heard.

Getting started

Being an example

#3: Dads **feel stuck**

They want to be better fathers and husbands, but don't know where to begin. They want to set a great example but aren't sure how.

Time pressures

“Time. I feel like my wife and I have so much to do. We love each other but are ***overwhelmed by the sheer volume of work*** required to raise our boys and successfully manage other aspects of our lives.”

Communication

“I can’t get my son to
listen or talk to me
or anyone.”

Getting started

“Worried that it’s too late and
not worth starting now.”

Being an example

“Not being a good example
to my boys or being
someone they do not look up to.”

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“Expecting things done the way you want but nay, siblings appearing innocent about it.”

All my two daughters are grown up one 35yrs old with two daughters .The other 34yrs old nil children. The one with children does not like to bath. So help me. God. Amen.

“I have 7 kids..it’s all a challenge.”

“Procrastination. I’ve realized it could be too late if I wait just a little while longer.”

Where have the dads gone?

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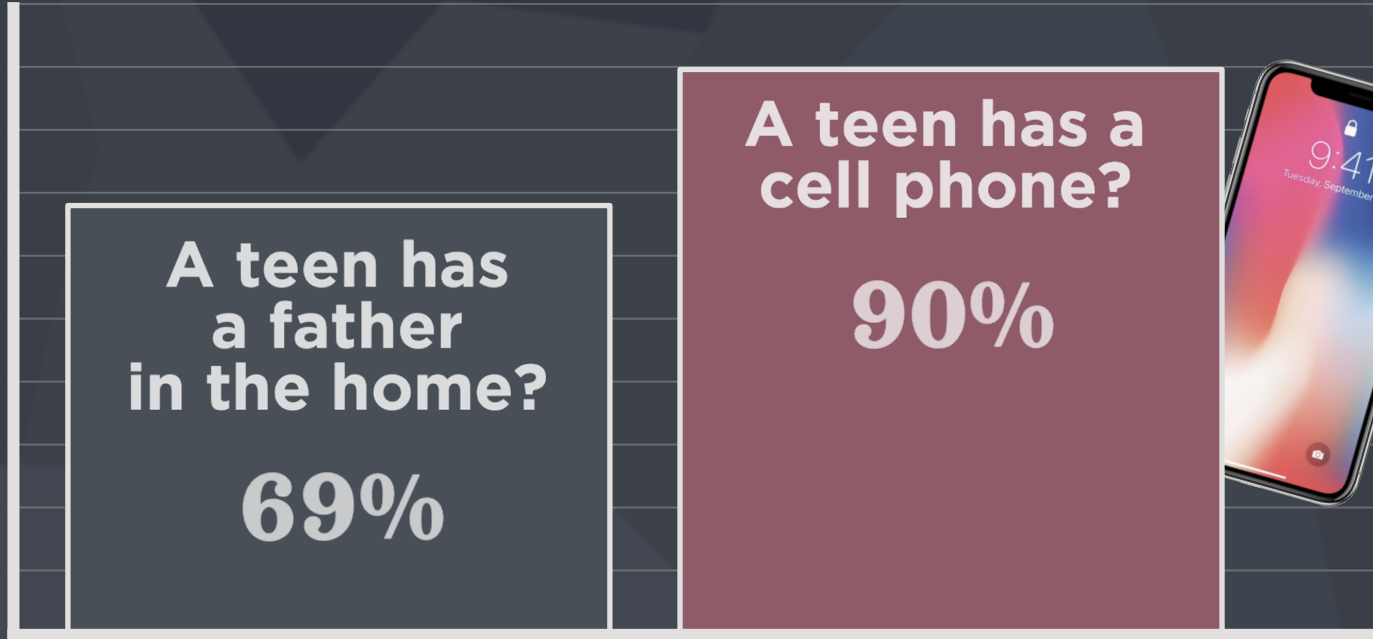
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Source: US Census Bureau

What are the odds?

100%



Sources: USA Today and US Census Bureau



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Greatest Challenges Christian Dads are Facing

Feeling Inadequate & like failures

Feeling inadequate & like failures: 40%

Communication: 35%

Leadership: 35.8%

Training: 35.8%

Top 10 Biggest Challenges

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Christian fathers are under attack, and the enemy comes at them in many different ways. Over the last few years, we've asked dads to share their greatest challenges with us. We've collected and cataloged

