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一年一度的父親節腳步聲漸近，又到了子女感謝父親為家庭辛勞的時刻。然而，相比母親節的熱鬧情景，父親節顯得較為冷清。即使會慶祝父親節，但慶祝的方式比較簡單；也有部份年輕族群表示重視母親節勝於父親節，因而不會特別去想如何慶祝父親節，傾向於幾年慶祝一次，或是看情況而定。看看每年父親節禮物的銷售量總遠少於母親節，就可見一斑。

這和中國人的傳統有關，第一是慈母嚴父，其次是男主外女主內，母與子女有較多接觸，父與子女則略有見外，還有孝敬母親的禮物易找，送父親的禮物較為難找。這真對父親太不公平！爸爸的「奸人」角色及不輕易把「愛」說出口，自然會得不到子女的「歡心」！但為人子女的應該要明白當母親含辛茹苦地照顧我們時，父親也在努力工作，一直為家庭默默的付出及愛護。

最近在 YouTube 看過一個非常感人的片段-Amazing Father，是一位父親在女兒婚禮對女婿說的一番感人說話：

Philip, I want to tell you a story, and like all good stories, it starts like this....Once upon a time, there was a father and in case you can't figure that out, that's me.

This father had a wonderful little boy. He was very happy. Then one day, he found out his wife was going to have another baby. So, I prayed, 'Lord if it's Your Will.....Make her a little girl.' And He did.

I was the first person to hold her in my arms. And I looked at her and said, 'Lord, make her like her mother.' And He did.

She was loving and giving and so good and kind. But then I realized I was getting left out. So I said, 'Lord, make her like me.' And He did.

She could drive a truck and a tractor. She could load hay and chew tobacco. Do you realize what you're getting? But at the same time, she was opinionated, emotional and hard-headed. So, I said, 'Lord, that's enough of that! Make her like You.' And He did.

He gave her the desire to serve people. She loves people. She gave her life to being a nurse. She's brought people back from the dead. And she's held the hand of people who have breathed their last breath. He gave her a heart for missions and she's trekked all over the world, pushing canoes up swollen rivers, laid on the floor as bullets whizzed outside. So she could tell people about Jesus. But still something was missing. So I said, 'Lord, make her happy.' And she met you. You see that look on her face? I never saw that until she met you. And I'm grateful for that. Today I'm giving you the best thing I have to give. And I just wanted you to know before I do that, how hard me and God has worked to get her ready. So Philip, as I give her to you, I don't think you'll mind if I give you one more word of advice. Me and God's worked hard..... Don't screw it up!

父親對子女的愛，總是愛在心裏，口難開！

今個父親節，各位同學，一於以行動向爸爸表達謝意，細選一份合他心意的禮物吧！

各位父親們，正好藉著這一天，名正言順地休息，陪陪小朋友，增加親子間的互動及溝通。

祝父親節愉快！

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