

Series: PSALMS

Sermon: A Father to the Fatherless

Bible Verses: Psalm 68:4-6

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_____ happens at the intersection _____ and _____.

There are only _____ in Salina who need to be _____.

The laws in Israel made it clear that _____ was supposed to do _____, the poor, the oppressed, and needy. How does God help the orphan? He created a nation with laws that instruct people on the importance of it!

Meeting strangers can be scary, but it can also be a _____ (to me and them).

The heart of God for the orphan, and child in foster care:

- Give _____ and fairness to them
- Go beyond "what is fair" and have REAL LIFE _____ for them!
- Use every day _____ to help! I don't have to be extravagant!

TO HELP FOSTER KIDS and ORPHANS:

I don't have to _____, but I should _____.

PRACTICALLY HELPING FOSTER KIDS AND ORPHANS:

1. **Pray for them.** Find children at <http://adoptkiskids.org/>
2. **Speak up for them.** Tell others the importance or become a court appointed advocate (NationalCASA.org).
3. **Provide financially.** Give to the church where a portion goes to orphan causes, give to the BIC Spice program (bicus.org/missions/ministry-projects/spice), provide for those who can do foster care or adopt, share in a child's adoption fund (Reece's Rainbow).
4. **Find someone who does foster care or adopts and help them:** Mow, babysit, organize meals for foster parents. Have a shower for a family adopting a child of any age. Contact the Church office and ask who in our Church adopts and does foster care.
5. **Become a foster parent. Adopt a child. Do the MAPP class:** Contact St. Francis (st-francis.org) or TFI (tfifamily.org/) or review adoptKSkids.org. Or contact **Blessed Hope Family** and they'll connect you with the appropriate agency (blessedhopefamily.org)
6. **Mentor** and **care** for **them** by forming a relationship with a foster/adopted children.

7. **Support** and **care** for **birth-parents** who placed or are placing a child with an adoptive family.