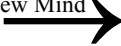


The Truth about Our Heavenly Father

The lie... Renew Mind  The truth...

He is...

Distant and disinterested

Insensitive and uncaring

Stern and demanding

Passive and cold

Absent and too busy for me

Never satisfied with what I do,
impatient or angry

Mean, cruel, or abusive

Trying to take all the joy and fun out
of life

Controlling or manipulative

Condemning or unforgiving

A nit-picking, demanding,
perfectionist

He is...

Intimate and involved (Ps 139:1-18)

Kind and compassionate (Ps 103:8-14)

Accepting and filled with joyful love (Zeph
3:17; Ro 15:7)

Warm and affectionate (Is 40:11; Hos 11:3-4)

Always with me and always eager to spend
time with me (Jer 31:20; Ez 34:11-16; Heb
13:5)

Patient, slow to anger, and pleased with me in
Christ (Ex 34:6; 2Peter 3:9)

Loving, gentle, and protective of me (Jer 31:3;
Is 42:3; Ps 18:2)

Trustworthy and wants to give me a full life;
His will is good, perfect and acceptable for me
(Lam 3:22-23; Jn 10:10; Ro 12:1-2)

Full of grace and mercy and He gives me
freedom to live as I choose, even if I am wrong
(Lk 15:11-16; Heb 4:15-16)

Tender-hearted and forgiving, and His heart
and arms are always open to me (Ps 130:1-4;
Lk 15:17-24)

Committed to my growth and proud of me as
His beloved child (Ro 8:28-29; Heb 12:5-11;
2Cor 7:4)