

The Importance of Fatherhood

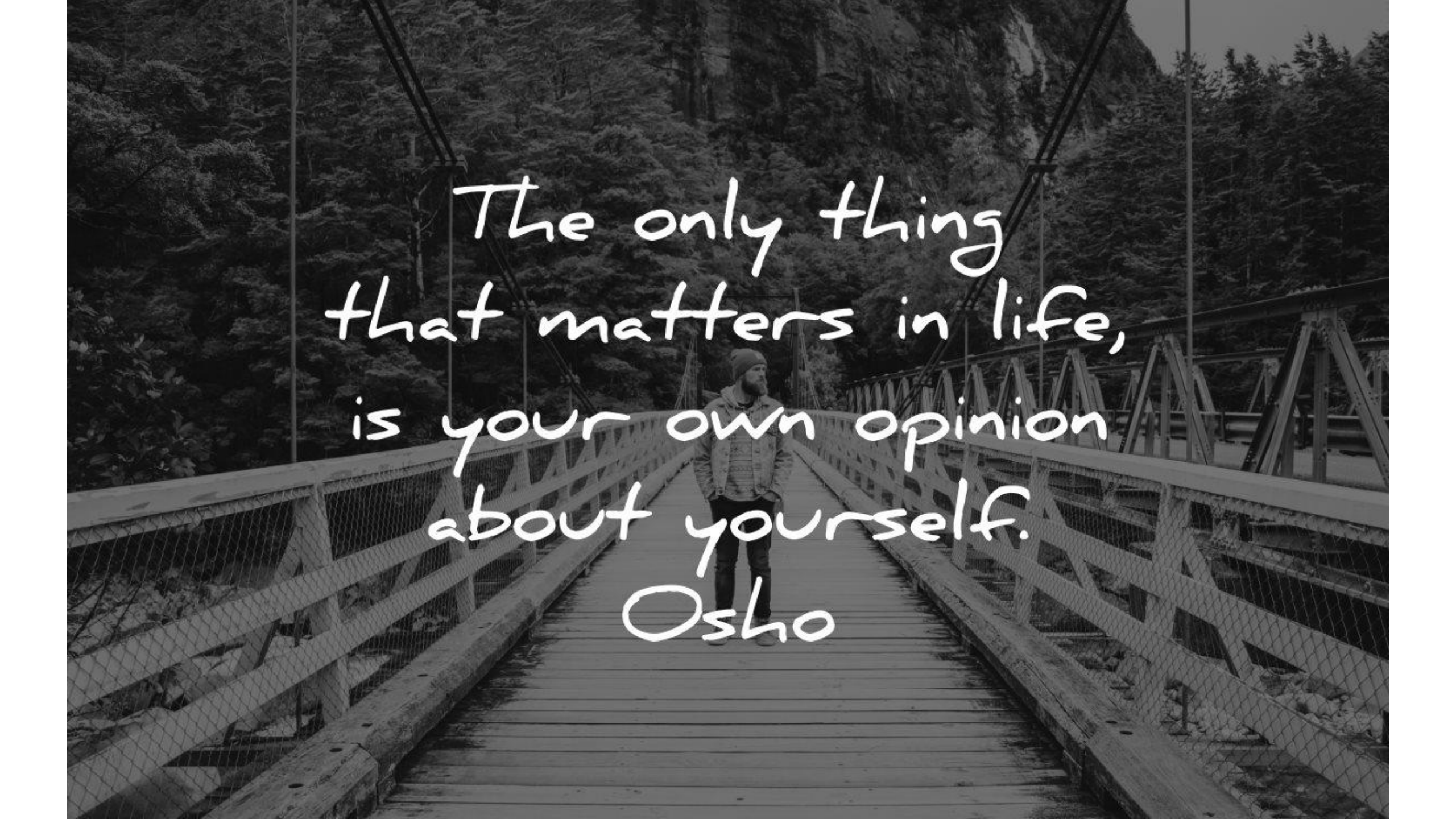


The Effects of Father Absence

COSTS

Children of father-absent homes are:

- five times more likely to live in **poverty**
- three times more likely to **fail in school**
- two times more likely to develop **emotional or behavioral problems**
- two times more likely to abuse **drugs**
- two times more likely to be **abused and neglected**
- two times more likely to become involved in **crime**
- three times more likely to commit **suicide**



The only thing
that matters in life,
is your own opinion
about yourself.
Osho

A construction worker wearing a red hard hat and a white and black striped turtleneck sweater is carrying a tray of bricks. The background shows a brick wall under construction and a clear blue sky. The text 'Employment' is overlaid in a large, white, outlined font.

Employment

Men often associate their self-worth with their net worth.



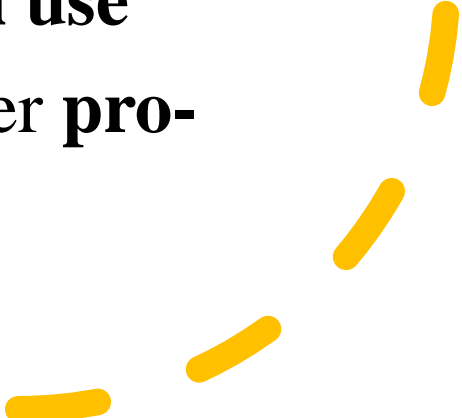
Help navigating “the system”

- Child Support
- Parenting Time (HB508, the Equal Parenting Time bill)
- Reentry

What do we
hope to
accomplish?

BENEFITS

Studies show that children with **involved** fathers display:

- better **cognitive outcomes**, even as infants
 - **higher self-esteem** and less depression as teenagers
 - **higher grades**, test scores, and overall academic achievement
 - lower levels of **drug and alcohol use**
 - higher levels of empathy and other **pro-social behavior**
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Remember....

It's your presence, not your presents that count!

Not Mom &
a program,
Mom & Dad



Every Parent Matters program

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