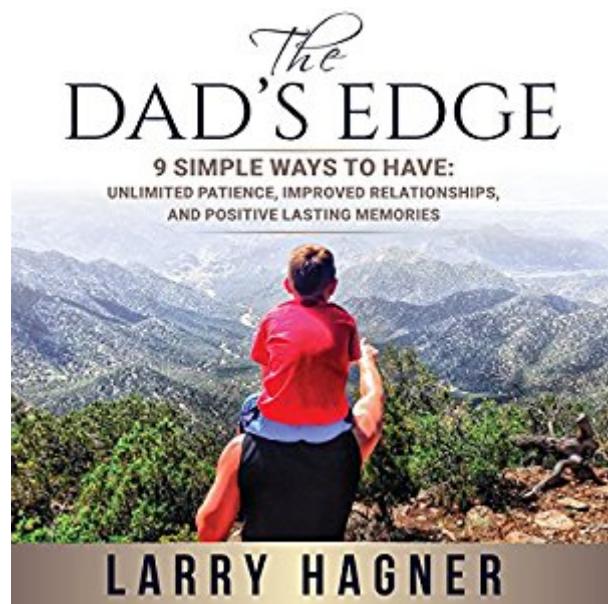


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# The Dad's Edge: 9 Simple Ways To Have: Unlimited Patience, Improved Relationships, And Positive Lasting Memories



## Synopsis

The Dad's Edge If you could improve one area in your fatherhood journey, what would it be? What would it be like if you mastered not one, but several aspects of your dad journey all at once? What would life be like if you improved your level of parenting patience, had better and deeper connections with your wife and kids, improved your relationships outside the immediate family, and all while mastering a good work/life balance? How would life be different if you did this? Hello, I'm Larry Hagner and I'm a dad. I love being a dad. And I believe that being a dad is one of the most rewarding aspects of a man's life. However, being a father can humble you like nothing else can. There really is no roadmap. With so few resources out there for dads like us, I decided to create The Dad's Edge to help you as a dad to give you easy to implement techniques you can use to be your very best and enjoy your journey of fatherhood. The Dad's Edge will help you: Master work/life balance Discover three techniques to improve and maintain a great connection with your kids Improve the connection & intimacy with your spouse, no matter how busy you are Improve your relationships outside the immediately family Create positive relationships within the family Uncover three easy ways to improve your patience short term and long term Discover simple ways to show up big for your kids and be present in the moment Thrive (not survive) your journey of fatherhood If you can identify with one or more of these issues, I understand first hand. Every one of us struggles with these issues on our dad journey and now I've empowered you with some great strategies and a solid roadmap in The Dad's Edge so you can relax and feel confident you are "good dad focused" and nothing will stand in your way!

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## Customer Reviews

Larry Hagner has done something special with this book. Somehow he's managed to put together something that is deep, moving, practical - and very readable. He cuts through the fluff and cliche that's true of so many parenting books out there. His tips and insight to "up your dad game" are simple to understand, but not simplistic. Seriously, this is one helpful book. And if you can get through the chapter where he pretty much lays his heart on the line and tells the horrific (but life-changing) story of how he and his wife lost a child, if you can get through that without getting choked up a bit, I wonder if you have a heart. It's deeply moving. Do your wife, kids, and **YOURSELF** a favor: Pick up a copy of this book. And do what it says.

I have a little different take on this book. While I no longer have young children, it's still a great opportunity for me to learn how to be a better dad. I've made too many mistakes to count and all I can say is that I wish I could have read this book 20 years ago. I've heard that kids don't come with manuals many times; however, that isn't true. For any dads looking for ways to improve or grow their relationship with their children, this is the manual all dads must get. This is the instructions everyone always wished they had.

Fantastic ideas! Larry does a remarkable job of describing his experiences, and how he has drawn on them to improve himself. The Dad's Edge will change your outlook on parenting and relationships, so that you have the techniques to take on a more positive outlook and find the "better you." Larry's work is different from other similar books in that he doesn't prescribe what you need to do, but he explains how his life and parenting experiences have helped him develop techniques that can be useful to anybody to adopt and apply to their own life. My goals are to be the best dad and best husband that I can be, and always looking for new ideas on how to achieve those goals. The ideas that Larry presents are the simplest and best that I've found in any book!

I'd just say straight out, I love Larry Hagner. This guy is definitely the real deal. He had me in tears in his introduction where he vulnerably opens his life to the reader and tells his story. I identified with many parts of it. He hardly knew his real dad. Didn't meet him until he was twelve years old, and then lost him again until he inadvertently saw him in line at a Starbucks nearly twenty years later. Since that time, they both have worked to forge a new and loving relationship.

When he was young, Larry had numerous other men come in and move out of his life as father-figures, few of them positive, one particularly negative and abusive. Larry's story is powerful. And it's clear as a bell how he knows firsthand the profound impact of fathers and why he is dedicated to not only being the best dad he can be, but helping the rest of us as well. In the last chapter, Larry tells the story of how and why he and Jessica, his bride, lost their fourth son, Gabriel, to a rare disease. I was choked up throughout. Larry pulls some practical wisdom and sage advise out of his moving story to challenge us dads to change our own story and perspective so as to find and embrace the positive in every situation, no matter how difficult, challenging, or painful, and to develop a clear strategy to become the dad we wish to be. His nine practical suggestions on how to have better relationships with our kids and our spouses, and how to be the best, healthiest, most positive version of ourselves are clear, specific, and to the point. But honestly, it's Larry's pure passion that pours through the pages of his book that most inspired me. Just taking this journey with Larry as I read each day made me want to be a better man and father to my own three teenage sons. One of Larry's chapters is about choosing your friends wisely—that who you spend time with will impact who you are and the decisions you make. I can truthfully say I'm a better man today for having made Larry Hagner a friend through his book and spent time with him while reading it. I encourage you to do likewise.

Larry gives practical advice coming from his past experiences of the failures of the father-figures in his own life as well as the experience of what it's like raising four boys and the sadness of losing a fifth son. A man trying to be the father to his sons that he never had as well as the husband his wife needs. This book has guidance for any father on how to approach and overcome the typical failures of men, time, patience and energy. For any father that knows he is falling short in any of these areas and desires to be the best Dad he possibly can be, this book is for you. The book is broken up into short easy to reference chapters, that can be returned to at anytime. It's not a long read but perfectly complete with useful information and advice. A must read for any father wanting to be more.

Admittedly, I take a long time reading books and that's probably consistent with other busy Dads out there. What I find so appealing of Larry's book is how real he is with his readers about his life, shortcomings, struggles, and victories. Every lesson is literally modeled. I didn't feel like Larry was ever preaching to me or bashing me with the Good Dad Bat. He simply shares an important topic,

tells how he messed it up, and then how he fixed it. So in a way it's a DIY guide to fatherhood and his messaging is exactly how he does his podcast. Back to my slow reading... I also love that I can pick up this book after a week or longer and not lose a beat. If you're busy like me, grab this book and just read it as you can. Finally, I want to compliment Larry on the Connectivity chapter. It stretched me big time and I walked away with excitement to take my kids on 1-on-1 48 hour adventures I knew that I should be doing this, but it just hasn't happened often. Larry is so committed to the principles on which he writes.

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