JUST THE FACTS, JACK

When dads spend time with their kids from the very beginning and work to keep close feelings between them, good things happen to the kids. Things like this:

* They are more likely to be active, healthy, and strong babies, toddlers, preschoolers, and school-aged children;

* Most of them do better than normal on developmental tests;

* They do better figuring out the differences in how boys and girls act;

* They are much less likely to be violent, dangerous, and even criminal;

* Girls do better in math;

* Both boys and girls are better at doing things without help, controlling themselves, and being leaders. They are more successful in life;

* Teens wait longer before they start having sex;
Children are more likely to go to school and stay in school. They are also less likely to repeat a grade;

Girls have healthier relationships later in their lives, especially with men. Remember that Dad is the first man they get to know;

Boys who grow up without a father around are 300% more likely to be put in a state juvenile institution.

Think about your father. What kind of difference did he make in your life?

What are some things your father did that you want to do for your child?

Are there things he did that you don't want to do?

What are some things you can do right now that will make a difference in your baby's life?