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Lessons for Today

AM: Brian Mitchell

"The Difference Mothers Can Make"
2 Timothy 1:5-7

PM: Brian Mitchell

"Assurance of Eternal Life (Pt.21)"
1 John 5:1-4

The Difference Mothers Make

In spite of the difficulties that Mother's Day brings for some, it is good for us on this day to honor God's plan for motherhood. To encourage our mother's here to aspire to be the very best mothers they can be and to say thanks to those of you who are and were. Mothers have such a tremendous ability to impact the lives of their children, their church and their society. Even when being a mother is tough and challenging, I encourage you to never give up and don't ever underestimate just how important your role is in God's plan.

"Sometimes we forget how important stability is to a child. I've always told mine, "The easiest part of being a mother is giving birth.... the hardest part is showing up for it each and every day..." So Today and Every Other Day I say to all of you mothers out there, including my own; 'Thank you for showing up.'" "Today we want to thank all moms out there for the DIFFICULT and often thankless job they do -- Mothers are so very important. Many of us would not have made it without them and the great comfort, stability and love they have given us through the years. God says Honor thy Mother, and I think most would agree that mothers are worthy of honor for who they are and what they do. So be sure to let your mom know that she is special...That you really appreciate her."

The truth is that the pressures on mothers today are perhaps greater than they have ever been. Just think about what's expected of women in our success-driven society: they are often expected to have a successful career, keep the house spotless, raise perfect children, be a great cook and a charming hostess. That sure is a tall order for any woman to accomplish. Thus, my goal in this article is not to pile on more impossible expectations but rather to affirm the priceless role of a godly mother and the difference she can make in this world.

Even though modern-day mothers are pulled in all sorts of directions, I want to remind you to never lose sight of the things that are most important. Like Jochebed—the mother of Moses—you must protect your children from the physical and spiritual dangers of the world. Like Eunice—the mother of Timothy—you must share your faith and the Word of God with them. And like Hannah—the mother of Samuel—you must make sure that when the time comes you have done all that you can to hand your children back over to the Lord. And let me say this, if you have to choose between one of these and picking up the toys, then leave them on the floor until tomorrow.

Even though motherhood can be difficult and filled with challenges I encourage you to never lose sight of the rewards. Godly mothers are rewarded with the respect of others who observe their godly actions. Godly mothers are rewarded with countless hugs, kisses, home-made cards, letters, phone calls and other expressions of appreciation from their children. And even if the rewards in this life may seem few and far between, godly mothers will be rewarded by God in heaven. God bless the Godly Mothers.

Brian Mitchell

Worship Times

Sunday

Bible Class: 9:00 am
AM Worship: 10:00 am
PM Worship: 6:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Study: 7:00 pm

For the Record

Sunday Class: 96
Sunday AM: 154
Sunday PM: 70
Wednesday PM: 77
Contribution: \$5724
Budget: \$4464

Think on This...

Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.
1 John 4:15

Celebrating This Week...

Birthday

Debra Dexter: 05.11

Anniversaries

Asa & Lindsey
Campbell: 05.09
Gary & Jane Miller:
05.09
Bart & Jera Tuetkin:
05.13



Serving This Week

Announcements: Phil Singleton

SUNDAY

Greeters: Ridenour

Ushers: Patrick Kellett/Cody Naramore

A/V: Gary Miller

Lead Singing: Todd Newman

Head Lord's Table: Kenny Simmons

Scripture: Dylan Seabaugh

Prayers

AM: Randy Seabaugh/Jeff Garland

PM: Seth Spraggs/John McLain

WEDNESDAY

Lead Singing: Todd Newman

Devo: David Selvig

Prayer: Scott Watson

Elder Chair: David Selvig

Communion to Shut-Ins: Dan Silvers

Worship Organizer: Mat Kee

Daily Bible Reading

May 8: 2 Chronicles 22-24

May 9: 2 Chronicles 25-27

May 10: 2 Chronicles 28-30

May 11: 2 Chronicles 31-33

May 12: 2 Chronicles 34-36

May 13: Ezra 1-3

May 14: Ezra 4-6

Continuing Prayer Needs

****Contact the office with updates****

Thelma Brown
 Frances Byers
 Donna Cox
 Bill Dillman
 Sandi Essner
 Kelly & Trudy Garland
 Newt & Kay Gilliland
 Wayne Graham
 Allen Hedge
 Tim Hosey
 Diana Ivanovich
 Betty Jones

David McDowell
 Sid Naramore
 Carolyn Neese
 Lena Schweain
 Susan Seabaugh
 Steve Simmons
 Sarah Singleton
 Ethan Spraggs
 Mike Turnbow
 Lucky Vander
 Chris Weaver
 Betty Welshans

Remember in Prayer

- **Troy Bryan** had back surgery on Wednesday and is home doing well. He expects 5-6 weeks of recovery.
- **Tony Boyd** is continuing to have issues with his oxygen levels and was to see a pulmonologist this week to evaluate further.

News & Notes

- **Mike Turnbow** is in need of help with some yardwork. If you are willing and available to help him out, please give him a call to make arrangements.
- Join us as we are doing a daily Bible study on our church Facebook page (@JCOCMissouri). We recently began at Genesis 1 and will continue going through the Bible in order.
- All ladies are invited to a wedding shower to honor Dallas Naramore's fiancé, **Sarah Adams** next **Sunday, May 15 at 2pm** in the fellowship room. Dallas and Sarah will be married on July 9 and they are registered at Target and Crate & Barrel.
- Make plans to join us as we celebrate our high school graduates at a potluck lunch on **Sunday, May 22** following morning services. The following seniors will be honored: **Taylor Fehr** (Jackson), **Destiny Meyer** (Advance), **Christopher Newman** (Jackson), **Jasmine Pfeiffer** (Jackson), **Emma Spraggs** (Jackson), **Landyn Walls** (Homeschool), **Lili Watson** (Jackson). **We will also be honoring our recent COLLEGE graduates: Katelyn Fehr (Harding) and Dylan Seabaugh [SEMO (December)].** Gift bags are available on the table outside the office to drop cards or small gifts to be given at the potluck.
- The truck from Paragould Children's Homes will be here on **Monday, May 23** to pick up. Please have all donations at the building by May 22. Requested items this time are: **cleaning supplies (non-aerosol), furniture polish, small freezer bags, grape juice (bottled), spaghetti sauce, taco/burrito mixes.**
- The annual **SEMO Children's Homes Fish Fry** will be hosted by the Dexter church of Christ on **Monday, June 6**. All are welcome to attend and meet some of the home's staff and children.
- Please begin returning change cans for this year's **CFS Timothy Campaign**. They will be picked up around the middle of June.
- We have scheduled our VBS this year as a one-day VBS "Saturday Extravaganza" on **June 18**. The theme will be "Passport Through the Parables". Please watch for details and sign-ups to help.
- There are still a few spots open for the **Branson Trip** scheduled for **June 24-26**. See Larry Dowdy for more information.

Thank You...

Dear congregation,

Once again you showed the spirit of love when Inger Selvig's sister and brother-in-law, Nicole and Paul Johnson, lost their home due to a fire. You saw a need and answered the call to help those less fortunate than you! Along with the amount the elders set aside and your generous donations we were able to help the Johnsons with a financial gift of \$2,380.00. They have a very long way to go to get back on their feet so continual prayers would be appreciated on their behalf.

Thank you for the light you cast on this body of Christ with your example and generosity.

The Elders

