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From Where I Sit . . .

“The Blessing Of Motherhood”

There are not many words in the human experience that produce as much emotion as the word “Mother.” This is no accident as God’s Word has placed mothers in a major role in shaping the character and the spirit of every child. It has been wisely stated that “The hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that rules the world.” The Apostle Paul admonishes the older women to teach the younger women how to love and fulfill their roles:

Titus 2:1 - 5 (NKJV) ¹But as for you, speak the things which are proper for sound doctrine: ²that the older men be sober, reverent, temperate, sound in faith, in love, in patience; ³the older women likewise, that they be reverent in behavior, not slanderers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things— ⁴that they admonish the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, ⁵to be discreet, chaste, homemakers, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be blasphemed.”

We have many in this congregation who are:

Mothers of great age

Mothers of teenagers

Mothers of little children

Mothers who have recently given birth

Those who are soon to be mothers

Mothers by adoption or through foster care programs

Aunts or friends who have taken little ones under their loving wings.

Mothers who live within our hearts but are no longer numbered among the living.

Can you still hear the voice of your mother in the many things that you do? We should, and God’s Word encourages us to keep those words very close to our hearts:

Proverbs 6:20 - 22 (NKJV) ²⁰ My son, keep your father’s command, And do not forsake the law of your mother. ²¹ Bind them continually upon your heart; Tie them around your neck. ²² When you roam, they will lead you; When you sleep, they will keep you; And *when* you awake, they will speak with you.”

The Feminist Movement has attempted to place homemaking on the back shelf for womanhood. While our evil society has tried mightily to diminish this role, aren’t you glad that you had a mother who was willing to put your welfare above her own? To a great extent our choice to serve God was greatly influenced by mother. We need to be reminded of the powerful role God has given mothers, lest we give in to the pressures of society to sacrifice our children for success.

It’s appropriate that much of our society still pauses to honor Motherhood, and we join them today in wishing all of our Mothers a very blessed and happy Mothers’ Day.

. . . Terry Broome