

Mother's Day 2017  
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Happy Mother's Day

Moms are kind and generous and self-sacrificing. They are the first person to teach you what love is. Let's take a look at Hannah...

The easy Mother's Day sermon doesn't always apply

"People are people and families are broken."

Moms...we need you!

The church...THE Church needs you

Your responsibility is deeper and wider than just caring for your offspring

In our church...

This is your family and these are your kids

When He was only twelve years old, He was taken by Mary and Joseph to Jerusalem to celebrate the Feast of Passover

When the days of the feast were completed, Mary and Joseph went with a large group of relatives and acquaintances on their way home—having assumed that Jesus was somewhere among the crowd

But when they searched for Him along the way, they were unable to find Him

Have you ever lost sight of one of your children in a large crowd?

After searching desperately for Jesus, they decided to return to Jerusalem to look for Him there

And after three days, they found Him—sitting in the temple in the midst of the teachers of Israel; listening to them, asking them questions, and astounding them all with His understanding and answers

All at once, she was experiencing relief, anger, pride, amusement, anxiety and—in this particular case—profound amazement at her Son

Luke 2:48

She said, "Son, why have you done this to us? Look, Your father and I have sought you anxiously"

He said something surprising—something that Mary and Joseph didn't quite understand; but that revealed where His heart's devotion truly was

Luke 2:49

He said, "Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?"

His family was not just defined in earthly terms

It was a family circle that was not "physical" or "genetic", but "spiritual" in nature

It was a family that is headed by a heavenly Father

One time when Jesus was teaching somebody told him that his family was outside and wanted to speak to him

Matthew 12:48-50

“Who is my mother, and who are my brothers?” And stretching out his hand toward his disciples, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother.”

Luke 11:27

"Blessed is the womb that bore You, and blessed are the breasts that nursed You."

“Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!”

It should go without saying, that Jesus’ mom was better than yours and mine

I love my mom but I’m not the Messiah and none of my siblings are either

Mary is the only woman to ever have that honor

“Let it be with me as you have spoken” she said at the news that she, a virgin would give birth

Jesus knew that His mom had big faith when he responded to his interrupters

“My mother is not blessed because she gave birth. She is blessed because she heard the impossible will of God and followed through.”

You don’t have to be a mother to do that

You can do that as a student, father, husband, single woman, single man, employee, boss

Galatians 3:26-28

For you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have put on Christ, like putting on new clothes. There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male and female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Our faith makes us children of God

1 John 3:1

Oh, how great is the love the Father has lavished upon us that we should be called the son’s and daughters of God!

On Mother’s Day the question isn’t “have you had a child?”

The question is “do you have faith in Jesus that makes you God’s child?”