

Mother's Day 2023

09:55 am 5 Min. Count Down - VIDEO

10:00 am **LIVE Worship –

10:25 am **LIVE In House Welcome –

WELCOME to The Peak CC

Welcome our Church Online Platform –

We are so glad you could join us as we worship the Lord & expound on His Word.

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10:30 AM **Announcements Video - Tithing

10:32am LIVE SHOT – Welcome - Pastor Self Intro -

NEXT-GEN: 9am Sundays @ Balcony -

Sunday School: 1st things 1st 9am Sundays 2nd floor.

Life Groups Home Groups 7pm Mon Nights - 6/5/2023 - Sam Awuku

Men's Fellowship 8:30 am 1st & 3rd Saturday

True North Youth Ranch - HAY DRIVE - Program Thursday

Today, on Mothers Day, we say thank you to all our mothers for their undying love, their untiring work, their unselfish giving, and their undivided devotion.

Jesus spoke seven times while He was upon the cross. His first word was a prayer to God, asking Him to forgive His enemies. His second word was a promise to the dying thief. His third word was to His mother and to John, the beloved disciple.

To his mother He says, "**Behold thy son,**" and to John He says, "**Behold thy Mother.**"

Let us picture the scene for a moment. Three heavy-laden crosses stand upon Calvary's hill. Jesus, the Son of God hangs upon the central cross.

The mob jeers, the soldiers gamble, the religious leaders rejoice, and Jesus looks down and sees His mother standing near the cross. By her side is the disciple John.

Jesus now lifts His voice and says to His mother, "Woman, look at John. From now on He will be your son." Then He spoke to John, "John from now on she is to be your mother." And from that time on, John took Mary to his own home.

Jesus discharged fully His duties to man and to God. He was not willing to die and leave anything undone that He ought to do. So He arranged for His mother's future. Here we see Jesus setting a wonderful example.

Exodus 20:12

"Honor thy father and thy mother that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee."

It doesn't say honor them when..... Good, wealthy, righteous, fair

Again we read Paul's admonition in

Ephesians 6:1-2

"Children, obey your parents in the Lord; for this is right. Honor thy father and mother which is the first commandment with promise "

Even in the darkest hour of His life Jesus stopped long enough to do the right thing concerning His mother.

Even while He was on the cross, bearing the weight of the sins of the whole world upon His shoulders He takes time to make sure His mother will be taken care of.

As God Jesus is dealing with eternal matters, but as a man He's showing all of us today how important it is to take care of and honor our mothers.

But the old age question about what to get mom for Mother's Day still

plagues us. What gift can suffice??

I want to share with you today *5 things To Give Your mom On Mother's Day.*

1. Give Her Affirmations

*Tell her you Love her... you may feel that she already knows that you love her, Youve said it a thousand times.... women in general need verbal affirmation. They need to hear us say with our lips, *I love you.**

Don't be like the man who said to his wife, "I told you I loved you at our wedding fifty years ago and if I ever change my mind I'll let you know."

Your spouse, your children, and your mother need that verbal affirmation.... So first of all, give your mother your affirmation. Secondly,

2. Give your mother Affection

When's the last time you gave her a big hug without her asking for it? When's the last time you gave her a kiss on the cheek or a neck rub or just sat on the couch and held her?

She's the first person who ever touched you. She wrapped you up in her womb for nine months and when you were born her first priority was to hold you, to cuddle you, to stroke your head, rub your feet, to hold your little cheeks against hers, to give you a finger to grasp. She changed your diapers, potty trained you, and held the Kleenex for you to blow your nose. She wiped food off your face years longer than she should've had to. She constantly touched you! And now she is older and she needs your touch of affection. Just a hug from you means more to her than flowers or candy or eating out, *or a diamond necklace...*

Give your mother the gift of ***affirmation***, second give her the gift of ***physical affection***. Thirdly, give your mother

3. The gift of Acknowledgment.

**Mothers have an incredible job with no pay. No position in the business world
Compares to the *physical, emotional and spiritual commitment* she has in
Motherhood. I want to share with you a poem that I came across**

No Occupation

**She rises up at break of day and through her tasks she races
She cooks the meals as best she may and scrubs the children's faces
While schoolbooks, lunches, homework too, all need consideration
And yet the census man insists, she has "no occupation"
When breakfast dishes all are done, she bakes a pudding maybe
She cleans the rooms up, one by one, with one eye watching baby
The mending pile she then attacks, by way of variation,
And yet the census man insists, she has "no occupation."
She irons for a little while, then presses pants for daddy
She welcomes with a cheery smile returning lass and laddie
A hearty dinner next she cooks, no time for relaxation
And yet the census man insists, she has "no occupation."**

And many moms and wives today have to work on top of the full time job they already have. In spite of all she does for us, we become impatient with her. We forget to acknowledge all she does and we tend to take it for granted.

If I can encourage you on this mother's day, give your mom **affirmation, give your mom **affection**, give your mom **acknowledgment**, and fourthly,**

4. Give your mom Attention.

Dr. Dobson with Focus on the Family Radio read this letter from an eighty year old woman on her birthday:

To all my children: I suppose my upcoming birthday started my thoughts along these lines. This is a good time to tell you what I truly want are things I can never get enough of, yet they are free. I want the intangibles.

I would like for you to come and sit with me, and for you to be relaxed. We can talk, or we can be silent. I would just like for us to be together.

I need your patience when I don't hear what you say the first time. I know how tiresome it is to always be repeating, but sometimes I must ask you to repeat. I need your patience when I think too much about the past, with my slowness and my set ways. I want you to be tolerant with what the years have done to me physically.

Please be understanding about my personal care habits. I spill things, I lose things, I get unduly excited when I try to figure out my bank statements. I can't remember what time to take my medication or if I took it already. I take too many naps but sleep helps to pass the day.

Well, there you have it: time, patience and understanding. Those are the priceless gifts that I want.

Love, Mom.

Lets take a lesson out of that insightful letter.

***And finally on this mother's day,* give your mom **affirmation**, give**

your mom **affection**, give your mom **acknowledgment**, give your mom, **attention**, and fifthly,

5. Give your mom Appreciation.

For ALL that she does for you, take some time and do something for her.... Not just on Mothers Day.... *ANY DAY*.... Make a meal, do the laundry, clean the house, volunteer to do the transport. Give her much needed down time!

To all of you that do not have your mother with you this Mothers Day I want you to think of your mother celebrating Mothers Day in heaven. Think with me:



A. Heaven Is A Prepared Place.

Jesus said "I go to prepare a place for you." Heaven is a place

prepared by the Son of God for the sons & daughters of God. When Jesus left this earth, He returned to heaven to make ready a place for everyone that is saved.

Death for a Christian is but a moving day. This world is not our final home. Death is making our move into the home that Jesus has prepared. When it is time to move in it won't be Mayflower that will move us, but the ***Rose of Sharon.***

Written in a letter heard over the Radio regarding heaven;

Termites can never undermine its foundations, for it rests upon the 'Rock of Ages.' Fire cannot destroy it, floods cannot wash it away. No locks or bolts will ever be placed upon its doors, for no vicious person can enter the land where my dwelling stands, almost completed and almost ready for me to enter and abide eternally without fear of being ejected.

There is a valley of deep shadow between this place where I live and that to which I shall journey in a very short time. I cannot reach my home in that city without passing through this valley. But I am not afraid because the best Friend I ever had

went through the same valley long ago and drove away all its gloom.

B. Heaven is a Personal Place

Jesus said, "I go away to prepare a place for you" (Vs. 2). Jesus spoke of heaven as personal place. It is a place prepared for each that are saved. It is a place prepared for all of us, But Mom is able to enjoy now!!!

In heaven there are many mansions, There is a particular mansion that was prepared just for mom. Today, she celebrates Mothers Day in her mansion.

When John saw the holy city, the New Jerusalem coming down out of heaven, he described it as a place prepared as a bride adorned for her husband (Rev.21:2). One of the things that he saw about our future heavenly home was the contrast in lifestyles.

Rev. 21:3-5:

"And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself

shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. And He that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful."

John saw a place in which all things were new. He saw a place in which everything was different as compared to the life that had been lived on earth. He saw that there was:

**No more tears,
No more death,
No more sorrow,
No more crying,
No more pain,**

All the former we had been accustomed to were passed away and all things were new.

On this Mothers Day, mothers and all our loved ones are experiencing this newness

of life. All of us whose mother is not with us today, I want us to remember:

**our mother will never shed a tear again,
our mother will never see death again,
our mother will never know sorrow again,
our mother will never cry again,
our mother will never know pain again.**

This newness of life is possible only in and through our Lord and savior Jesus Christ!

2 Corinthians 5: 17 (NKJV)

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

CALL TO ACTION

None of this will make any sense until you come to a place of asking HIM to enter into your heart. To wipe out the sin & cleanse your conscience

The Lord says draw near unto Him... & He'll draw near unto you... It's up to YOU to make that move... Are you ready to be set free?

Would you give me an opportunity to pray for you right now? This altar is open.. for you..

**“The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face shine upon you,
And be gracious to you,
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you,
And give you peace.”**

**I bless you in the Name of the Father, & of the SON, & of the Holy Spirit...
Amen!!**

See you next week....

Have YOU been washed clean & pure by the Blood of Jesus? Have YOU made a personal commitment to surrender it ALL to Him? If you haven't.... would you consider doing that today? Is God stirring something inside of you? Do you want to make it real? If this is speaking to you... Would you raise your hand?

Whether Mom is alive or has transitioned HOME.. The white & red carnations represent so much more than that!! As you take your corresponding color... Let them serve as reminders of the work of the Cross... of the purity & holiness we are imputed through the Blood.

As we consider our Moms this morning. As we reflect on how they PROTECT, COMFORT, & LOVE.

When we see mom's that LISTEN, SUPPORT< CARRY< HOLD< COUNSEL< PLAY<WORK<FEED<DANCE<TEACH....

We can actually see a glimpse of the PORTRAIT OF GOD!!!

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!!!