

The Down To Earth Gospel:
The Gospel & Motherhood
John 19:25-27

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- Motherhood is a unique blend of joy and pain.

How the Son Honors His Mother

1. He Honors His Mother Through Honoring God's Word (**Exodus 20:12**)
2. Honor is More Than Outward Obedience — It is 'Listening Intently' to Show Continual Care, Protection & Provision (**Ephesians 6:1-3 & 1 Timothy 5:3-8**)
3. More Honor Can Be Shown While In Pain Than While Pain Free—Pain is No Excuse Not to Honor Your Mother, Pain Is No Excuse Not to Love (**Luke 2:29-35**)
4. He Honors Her By Refocusing the Relationship as Primarily a Savior-Subject Relationship Not Primarily a Son-Mother Relationship (**John 2:4-5**)

How We Fall Short

1. Every Person Falls Short of Showing Honor the Way We Should (**Rom. 3:23**)
2. Every Person Falls Short of Showing Love the Way We Should (**Matt. 7:11**)
3. In All the Human Race, Jesus Alone Is Sinless - There is No Mother as Loving as Jesus or Child as Obedient & Honoring as Jesus (**1 Peter 2:22-25**)

How Jesus Covers Our Shame & Dishonor

1. Jesus Covers Our Shame & Dishonor by Being Shamed & Dishonored for Us
2. Jesus Honors With Love While He is Hated, Jesus is Kind While Others are Cruel
3. Jesus' Death Redefines Relationships - God Becomes Our Father, Jesus Becomes Our Brother, The Church Becomes Our Family - (**Mark 3:31-34**)

Community Group Discussion Questions:

1. How has this passage and sermon encouraged or challenged you? Anything from it that you'd like to remember or apply to your life?
2. How was Mother's Day this year? What are ways you tried to honor the women in your life? How could you honor a few women in the church this week?
3. Read John 19:25-27. Discuss the passage. Why is this passage included in God's Word? What would it have been like to be at the foot of the cross?
4. In the past what are ways you've fallen short of showing honor and love?
5. Consider the good news of what Jesus did for us, that Jesus covers our shame and dishonor by being shamed and dishonored for us. How can this help us to learn how to better honor those we are called to honor? How has Jesus' death redefined relationships for you?