

May 13, 2012

Thought For the week... — A Prayer For Mothers

Heavenly Father we thank you for our mothers to whom You have entrusted the care of every precious human life from its very beginning in the womb.

You have given to woman the capacity of participating with You in the creation of new life. Grant that every woman may come to understand the full meaning of that blessing, which gives her an unlimited capacity for selfless love for every child she may be privileged to bear, and for all Your children.

To mothers, You have been given the great privilege and responsibility of being a child's first teacher and spiritual guide. Grant that all mothers may worthily foster the faith of their children, according to the Word of God and following the examples of other holy women who follow Christ. Help mothers to grow daily in knowledge and understanding and grant them the wisdom to impart this knowledge faithfully to their children, and to all who depend upon them.

Assist all "spiritual mothers", those who, though they may have no children of their own, nevertheless selflessly care for the children of others -- of every age and state in life. Grant that they may know the joy of fulfilling this motherly calling of women, whether in teaching, nursing, religious life, or in other work which recognizes and fosters the true dignity of every human being created in Your image and likeness.

We ask your blessing on all those to whom You have entrusted motherhood. May Your Holy Spirit constantly inspire and strengthen them. May they ever imitate Godly examples of fidelity, humility, and her self-giving love. We ask this all in the precious name of Jesus. **AMEN.**



Prayer Meeting

Tues night 7:30 pm



Make it a habit too hard to break!

**There will be no evening service today.
Spend time with your family**



Youth Service Combo!

This Friday night, May 18th there will be a Youth Service and fellowship combined with the Youth from Bro. Campos Church in Clute at 7:30pm. See Bro. Lavelle Jeane for more information. Get ready for a Holy Ghost outpouring and let's have CHURCH! Don't miss the excitement!

Youth Camps Coming Up Next Month!

The South Texas District Youth Camps 2012 - GO will be June 4-8 in Columbus, TX! NOW is the time to prepare for these camps! Registration Fees are \$150 per person if paid by May 21st or \$175 after that date. More announcements and details will be coming, but if you are interested in going please see Bro. Custer. Some fundraisers may be needed to make sure all get to go! Let's support our Youth!



OutReach

Wherever you are in the vineyard of God, someone is waiting for you to share with them your testimony. Let them know there IS - HOPE, JOY and PEACE in Jesus Christ!

Tune in for Great Gospel Music
KJIC 90.5 FM
King Jesus is Coming

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Week of May 13-19

- 14 - Angel Malone
- 15 - Isidro Carrizales
Gary Banegas
- 18 - Glenn Schanzer
- 19 - Loran & Gail Moore



Invest

She was exhausted. Every muscle in her body screamed for rest, but she had no choice. She must keep working. As a slave, her days were filled with the hard labor exacted by the Egyptian taskmasters who ruled her life. It did not matter that Jochabed had given birth recently. Even in her weariness, she smiled when she thought of her baby son. As a slave, all she could claim as her own were her children. However, with the Egyptians killing all known boy babies, she was very worried. She knew she could lose him. So, as she worked, she prayed for direction. She trusted Jehovah to provide the way for her son to be safe.

As she and the other slaves walked home from their day's labor, they passed a tributary of the Nile River and stopped to rinse their feet in the cool water. They all gave a tired laugh when one sandal slipped from the bank into the running water and began to float away, its owner scrambling to catch it. As she watched, she received her direction from God.

That night, as the rest of the exhausted Israelites slept, she crept to the river, and gathered the long leaves growing at the edge of the water. The next day, her husband smuggled a pot of pitch and brought it home. Over the next few days, she would come in exhausted from her slave labor, and work with her tired hands, the sharp edged rushes, weaving a basket of escape for her baby, her gift from God.

We know what happened to that child. He was called Moses by the Pharaoh's daughter who pulled him from the water in his little basket. He was raised by his own Mother who taught him about the One True God, and he obeyed the voice of God and led his people out of slavery.

Sometimes we get exhausted just thinking about our schedule, our day, and our children, our blessings from God!

But, in all we do for them, we truly **"Invest" when we bring them before the throne of God in prayer.** We must, like Jochabed, a slave with no resources, but *faith in God*, push beyond our limitations, to invest in our children. If we believe and trust God as we invest our prayers, we are giving God the resources to reap great rewards!

The Bible lists many who accomplished great things for God. We are still writing the book of Acts. Who could our children be in the kingdom of God if we will Invest? --By Leah Seagraves

Editors note: Leah Seagraves is wife of Pastor Steven Seagraves of SeaTac, WA, and knows part of the reason she is serving God today is the many times she heard her Mother "invest" in prayer for her! She carries on the legacy by investing prayer for the children in her life.