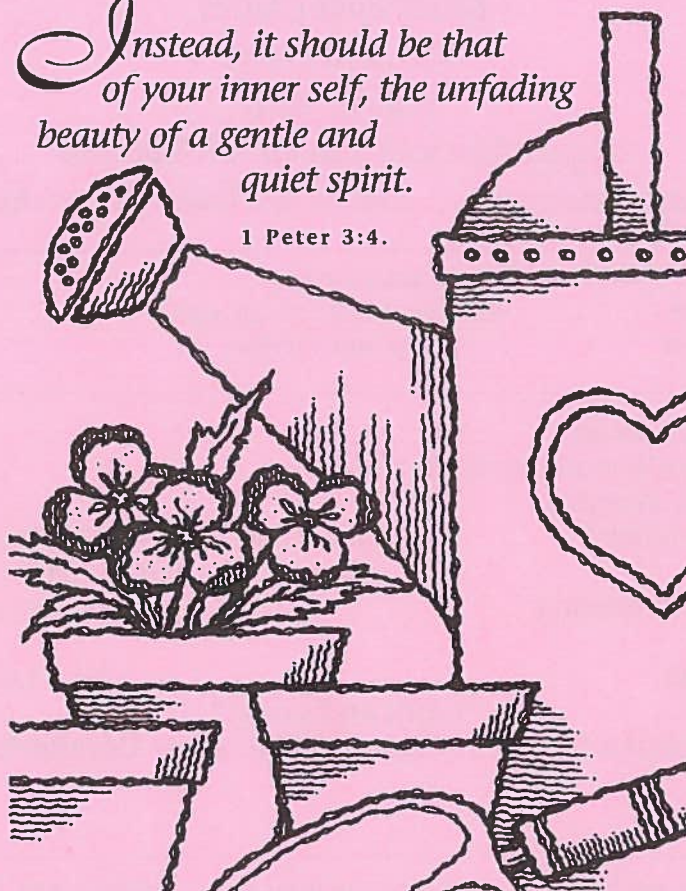


*Instead, it should be that
of your inner self, the unfading
beauty of a gentle and
quiet spirit.*

1 Peter 3:4.



GRACE BIBLE CHURCH

222 Boulder Drive, Gallup, NM 87301

Sunday School - 9:00 AM

Youth Group - 6:00 PM

Worship Service - 10:15 AM

Edge - 6:00 PM

Prayer Time - 6:00 PM

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Grace Bible Church

~ The Lord's Day ~

May 8, 2016

Happy Mother's Day to All Mothers!

We appreciate you ... and all the ladies of our church!

WELCOME

Sunday School for all ages

Worship Service

9:00 AM

10:15 AM

Call to Worship

Welcome/Announcements

Praise & Worship

Special Music*

Handbell Choir: "O Worship the King;
"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

Scripture Reading

I John 2:7-11

Message

John Luginbuhl

"Light and Love!"

(Part 4 of a Series in I John, "Genuine or Counterfeit?")

Closing

*Offering will be received during the third song; children age 3 - grade 4 will be dismissed to Children's Church after Special Music.

SERVING IN THE NURSERY TODAY:

Crawlers: Nate & Moriah Yale

Walkers: Dakota Ford & Sierra Tahy

SERVING IN THE NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY:

Crawlers: Destiney Peywa & Liz Helf

Walkers: Diane Butler & Sharee Keedo

LATER TODAY...

6:00 PM

Prayer Time (room across from Pastor John's office)

6:00 PM

Youth Group (grades 6-12) meets

6:00 PM

Edge Group (age18-25) meets

WE WELCOME YOU!

There are many good reasons for coming to church, but we hope that your joining us this morning includes the best reason: to thank and worship God for His amazing love revealed in the birth, life, and ministry, the suffering and death, and the wondrous resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ! This is what our church is all about! If you are visiting today, please fill out a guest card and bring it to our Welcome Center in the foyer and receive a free gift. Thank you ... and visit us again!

The mission of our church is to prayerfully
prepare believers for worshiping God, serving
Christ, loving one another, and
reaching out to others!

2016 YEAR VERSE:

"Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong."

- I Corinthians 16:13

ARE YOU INTERESTED in being baptized? A baptismal service is being planned for Sunday, May 22. A required (if you are planning to be baptized) class will be held on May 15, 4 PM - 5 PM, in the Sanctuary.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO EARN 4% on your money? You CAN, by loaning money to the church via a "Promissory Note" to help us pay off our bank loan! Please see Pastor John or Steve Knox.



A list of May birthdays and anniversaries of regular-attenders of Grace Bible is on the kitchen door. Please make (legible) corrections/additions right on the list. Thank you!

DID YOU KNOW? On May 9, 1914, President Woodrow Wilson officially proclaimed the second Sunday in May to be "Mother's Day"!



OUR THANKS to all who worked so hard in making yesterday morning's Ladies'/Girls' Tea a huge success! Approximately 75 ladies and girls attended! A wonderful time was had by all!

DIDN'T RECEIVE YOUR COPY of the May issue of our "in-house" newsletter, "Grace Notes"? Copies are available at the Welcome Desk as well as various places throughout the church building. Check it out!



CAMP IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER! Summer camp at Broken Arrow Bible Ranch! Eight weeks to choose from beginning June 6! Bright yellow information/registration forms are at the Welcome Desk. Why not go to camp this Summer? You'll be glad you did!

This Week in Church History...

On May 9, 1828, Andrew Murray, South African Dutch Reformed clergyman, was born at Graaf-Reinet, South Africa. Murray was a conservative theologian with mystical inclinations and profound devotional life. Although a great traveling spokesman for the church in his own day, Murray is better remembered for his more than 250 devotional works. His most famous book is *Abide in Christ* (1860-64).

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...

"Jesus Christ is the center of everything and the object of everything, and he who does not know Him knows nothing of the order of nature and nothing of himself."

~ Blaise Pascal

PRAISE & PETITION



“Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to Thy name give glory because of Thy loving-kindness, because of Thy truth.”

~ Psalm 115:1

Praise the Lord for:

1. Jesus Christ, Our Savior, Lord, Rock, Fortress. We believers are complete in Him (Col. 2:10). Praise God for salvation in Christ!
2. Our mothers! All the mothers in our church! All of the ladies in our church!
3. The wonderful work of the Holy Spirit of God - for giving us the ministry of reconciliation and restoration!
4. A wonderful AWANA year, as well as “Grand Finale Night” this past Wednesday!
5. A fun, Christ-honoring, Ladies’ Tea yesterday!

Petition the Lord for:

1. A deeper love for Jesus and the things that count for eternity; a deeper desire to share the Gospel, worship, pray, and read/ study the Bible.
2. All our moms, dads, families, as they strive to take a stand for Jesus Christ.
3. All our graduates, as they seek God’s will for after-graduation plans.
4. John & Joyce Roper, as they minister among international students in Oklahoma City.
5. The staff at Broken Arrow Bible Ranch, as they prepare for Summer camp.
6. Ginny Wilson (Amber Chisamore’s mother) - cancer; Lenore Chavez (disc problem); Robert Chavez (eye difficulties); Irijah Manning (recovering from collar bone surgery); Ruth Douglas (recovering from surgery); Eliza Jonkman (Schells’ baby granddaughter); Jim Jefferies (rehab; Albq.); Gordan Peywa (Val’s husband; kidney difficulties); Glen Shell (recuperating)
7. Sean Begaye, in Afghanistan; Adam Sowers (Ft. Hood); Kyle Prendergast (Ophelia Krupica’s son), stationed (Air Force) in Germany; Jesus, Jessalyn, and Nora Ubanda (Okinawa, Japan); Whitney Pratt (Air Force); Jared Payton (San Antonio, Texas)
8. Our President, military advisors, military men and women.

“Light and Love!”

**(Part 4 of a Series in I John, “Genuine or Counterfeit?”)
I John 2:7-11**

There is no better day than Mother’s Day to speak about loving others. Today is a day celebrating the love *of* mothers and the love *for* mothers! The kind of love we are speaking about on this Mother’s Day as well as in our passage is “agape” love: sacrificial, voluntary, unconditional love! This is the kind of love with which we are to love our brothers and sisters in Christ!

1. An Old Command, A New Command

2. Light and Darkness

3. The 4th “Test” of Genuine Christianity

This Week at Grace Bible...

(Here at the church unless otherwise noted.)

Monday, May 9

7:00 PM

**[No Life Group at the Luginbuhls' tonight.]
Resumes May 16.**

Tuesday, May 10

9:30 AM

**Ladies' Bible Study (Nursery available for
the young ones.)**

6:30 PM

Faith Bible Institute Class

Thursday, May 12

5:20 PM

Ladies' Aerobics

Sunday, May 15

Noon

Worship Team Lunch & Meeting

4 PM - 5 PM

Baptismal Class in the Sanctuary

COMING SOON:

May 22

Baptism During AM Worship Service

May 29

Baby Shower for Sarabeth Hill (2 PM)

June 4

**Bridal Shower for Bethany Glasco (Aaron Chavez's
fiancée)**

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Happy Mother's Day!

A Mom's Influence

BY JULIE BARNHILL

SO MANY OF US MOMS WONDER IF OUR WORDS, ACTIONS AND prayers have made one iota of difference in the lives of our children.

If you're that mom doing her best to influence the heart, mind and soul of your children amid soiled Pull-Ups, rambunctious grade-schoolers and hormonal teens, I trust you'll remember a few truths regarding your influence as a mom. Never forget:

- **You're not alone in influencing.** Read Proverbs 6:20-23 and note the timeless principle of a mother's influence. For the child who embraces his mother's teaching, her words will continue to guide the heart of that child.
- **You can restart today.** At any time you can choose to restart the influence you're having on your kids. If you feel your influence may not be positive or your focus has waned, remember that every day starts with fresh mercy (Lamentations 3:22-23).
- **Your influence will endure.** Most kids require a couple of decades to recognize the influence of a mom in their life. Time and experience have a way of bringing such understanding . . . so be patient. "For it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure" (Philippians 2:13).

Be assured that God really does use our day-in-and-day-out, year-after-year mothering!

TOUGH QUESTIONS FROM KIDS

Why do friends
get mad when I
tell the truth?



A Full Tote of Motivation

My 11-year-old struggled with her priorities. So my husband and I purchased a medium-sized tote to hold our daughter's iPod, video game controllers and other electronic devices. If her grades were acceptable and she did her chores, she received the tote after school on Friday. If not, she didn't. The tote motivated her to be responsible without arguing.

—*Kristi Rumsey*

In the Shadow of Infertility

My wife, Cheri, and I were unprepared for the challenges of infertility. As treatments became more invasive and expensive, our emotions began to fray. Here's what I learned to keep our marriage going during a season of infertility:

Protect her. After struggling to answer prying questions, Cheri and I agreed upon a few stock answers about when we'd be having children. "All in God's time" was a favorite. And rather than giving in to the desperation of working against the biological clock, I constantly assured Cheri that we had worth even if we weren't parents.

Take care of control issues. Infertility gave us a sense of powerlessness. I'd often retreat to places where I had more control, namely my career. Then Cheri landed in the hospital for a week from side effects of one treatment.



While sitting with her, I realized that control was an illusion. I could, however, place my trust in the One who *was* in control. That truth gave me the strength to stop retreating. I started taking more time off work to be with Cheri at the doctors' offices.

Strengthen the foundation. Infertility revealed hidden cracks in the foundation of our marriage, but it also provided an opportunity to build our communication skills. We made sure that dinner conversations weren't just about our next treatment options. We continued to go on dates, even when we were dreading what the next week would bring. We learned there was no time like a season of struggle to build intimacy with each other.

We made it our mission that any baby we had—yes, we eventually became parents—would come home to find Mom and Dad in a healthy marriage.

—*Matt Appling*

Modeling Respect

Parenting has a funny way of throwing your mistakes in your face. Just take, for example, the incident of the Chinese accent and my family.

It happened in the kitchen. As my wife prepared dinner, she gave my daughter instructions to set the table. Meanwhile, my daughter decided this was the perfect time to hone her budding teenage sass.

“You go do it,” she said, mimicking what her mom had just told her. She smirked as she copied the choppy cadence and strained vowels of her mom’s Chinese accent. It sounded every bit like mockery.

Righteous indignation arose in me just a split second before I felt something else . . . guilt. In that instant, I knew exactly where my daughter’s disrespect had come from—me.

Before I continue, I should explain that I have the deepest respect for my wife’s Chinese heritage, and I adore the way she expresses herself. On occasion, I have jokingly impersonated her accent. But as I heard my daughter mimic my mimicry, I realized how disrespectful it sounded. Ouch. How painful to see your mistakes reflected through your children’s behavior.

Much of our kids’ attitudes toward their mother come from watching their dad. As fathers, do we want our kids to respect their mother? Then we need to model that respect for them. Even unintentional signs of disrespect can make an impression on our kids. It’s not uncommon for couples to delight in playful banter, but kids often cannot tell the difference between bantering and bickering.

Let’s take an honest look at ourselves. Do our words exude love and respect? Or are we sometimes impatient, sarcastic or condescending? It can be hard to see (or admit) our shortcomings, but we can strive for greater awareness. A good rule of thumb is to ask ourselves this: *Would I want my kids to say this to their mom?* If the answer is no, then we probably shouldn’t say it either.

Our kids often take their relational cues from us. Let’s show them what it looks like to honor the most important woman in our lives.

—Michael Ridgeway



Family Matters

Answers to your questions . . .

I tend to worry about the economy and my finances. Can you provide some perspective on this?

Answer:

When considering the overall economy and how it affects you, it's important to consider what you can control and what you can't. No one individual can affect the long-term stock market changes or the unemployment rate or inflation. I'm not saying those items are unimportant or useless to track. But you can't do much to influence them.

I'm reminded of the "serenity prayer" so often seen on plaques or cards. (It's not a Bible verse, by the way.)

God grant me the se-

renity to accept the things we cannot change, courage to change the things we can, and wisdom to know the difference.

I think the idea of this prayer can apply to the economy. We have to accept the overall economic conditions in which we find ourselves. But we must have the courage to change what we can about our personal financial situation. To better prepare for uncertain changes in the economy, set goals and invest long term.

You can do nothing to avoid future risks entirely. If a doomsday economic scenario comes along, even the most prudent person will be swept away with the rich. The key word in this is *avoid*.

Every few years, there seems to be an increase in fears of a depression. Recessions are normal; depressions are not normal, nor are they guaranteed to happen. People ask if there is a perfect investment in order to profit during any upcoming depression. There is no such animal. Nor is there a painless solution. While you can't avoid a major economic downturn, you can certainly *minimize* its effects. How? The good old-fashioned way—reduce your debt and build personal liquidity through saving and investments.

(Excerpted from the *Complete Guide to Faith-Based Family Finances* by Ron Blue with Jeremy White.)

TOUGH QUESTIONS FROM KIDS

Answer:

Sometimes, the truth can make friends feel uncomfortable. There's a right time and a wrong time to speak up. It may be best to wait to tell something to your friend in private instead of in front of everyone. Also, the way you say something means as much as *what* you say.

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