

May 13, 2018
ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Larry Wood

Song Leader

Chris Moore

Scripture Reading

John Hopper

Opening Prayer

Gene Yancey (A.M.) Wayne Vandygriff (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Tom Wade (A.M.) Ross Shackelford (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Bobby Bridges (Presiding),

Danny Shackelford, Jeff Staggs, Logan Yancey

Count and Usher

Terry Chapman & Michiel Criswell

Prepare Communion

Candace Hopper and Sandy Newby

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Larry Wood (05/16/18)

OUR RECORD

May 6, 2018

Sunday Bible Study: 126

Sunday Morning Worship: 144

Sunday Evening Worship: 128

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 108

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What Must I Do To Be Saved?

1. **Hear** the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17).
2. **Believe** the Gospel (Acts 15:7; Mark 16:15, 16).
3. **Repent** of Sins (Acts 3:19).
4. **Confess** Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37).
5. **Be Baptized** for Remission of Sins (Acts 2:38).
6. **Be Faithful** (Revelation 2:10).



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Honor Your Mother!
By Joe Slater

“Honor your father and your mother” is the fifth of the Ten Commandments (Exodus 20:12). Though we do not live under the Old Testament law today, God brought nine of those commandments into the New Testament, including this one (Ephesians 6:1-3). Giving Mom a card and a box of chocolates on the second Sunday in May is fine, but God makes it clear in His word that honoring your mother goes far beyond a man-made annual holiday. How does God say we should honor our mothers?

Love her! Young children seldom have to be told to do this – it comes naturally. The Scriptures call it “natural affection” (2 Timothy 3:3). It is the warm, tender devotion that you feel toward close family members.

This very passage, however, warns of the danger of suppressing or even losing that natural affection. Cultivate love for your mother every day, not just “Mother’s Day.”

Obey her! “Children, obey your parents” (Ephesians 3:20). Even Jesus submitted to His mother and Joseph (Luke 2:51). When I hear a young child defiantly saying “No!” to Mama (or Daddy), I see red! Parents who fail to correct such impudence swiftly and effectively (including some firm swats to the posterior) are inviting disaster. That leads to the next point . . .

Speak respectfully to her! Sassiness and back-talk are not limited to small children. Though He was older, Jesus spoke respectfully to His mother and Joseph, even when correcting them (e.g. at the Temple, Luke 2:48, 49). No matter how old we are, we ought always to speak respectfully to our parents. Under the Mosaic Law, cursing a parent was a capital offense (Exodus 21:7). While this penalty is not in effect under the New Testament, it speaks volumes about the importance God assigns to speaking respectfully to our parents.

Never hit her! This was another capital crime under the Law of Moses (Exodus 21:15). Of course this dealt with older children, not toddlers! A small child sometimes defiantly slaps his mother if he isn’t getting his way. Worse, parents sometimes allow children to suffer no consequences for such obnoxious behavior! Little ones may not know any better at first, but they will learn quickly if parents discipline them promptly and consistently. I have also known of cases where older children beat their parents; such conduct is criminal according to the laws of both God and men.

Provide for her in her old age. Jesus rebuked the Jews of His day for evading their responsibility to provide for their aged parents (Matthew 15:4ff). Although popular culture looks to civil government to fulfill the need, Paul teaches that it is first and foremost a family obligation, and secondarily the responsibility of the church (1 Timothy 5:4).

Honor your mother! **Happy Mother’s Day!**

Mother's Day Is a Waste By Joe Chesser

Mother's Day is a waste of time and money. It is just a day of commercialism; a day to sell cards and flowers, candy and lunch. Everybody knows that the greatest promotion for Mother's Day comes from Hallmark, AT&T, and FTD ... and WalMart.

Now that I have your attention, you need to know that I don't believe the sentiments of the above paragraph. Some may view Mother's Day like that, but I'm not one of them. Yet, I do believe that for many people Mother's Day is a wasted opportunity.

I was blessed with a great Christian mother, and am a Christian today due largely to her influence. But, sadly, I know first-hand about how to make Mother's Day a waste; I have made more than my share of mistakes on Mother's Day (you can't ask my mom, but you can ask my kids about the messes I have made on Mother's Day). So, from my experience and observation, I know that for many people, Mother's Day is a day of wasted opportunities.

Mothers are such special people. The pains of childbirth alone make them so. The love, devotion and care a mother gives her children are legendary. The hours of physical and emotional labor, the sacrificial spirit, and the sleepless nights so often go unnoticed and unappreciated. God gave mothers a special role, and He expects them to be honored and appreciated (Deut. 5:16; Lev. 19:3; Eph. 6:2).

Mother's Day is a special time to honor your mother, but you can waste that opportunity if you are content to give only a card or gift or phone call. Mothers appreciate gifts and cards, but what they truly want is your genuine attention. They don't care about the cost or quality of a gift; what they care about is that you express to them the sincere affection you have for them in a way that most appropriately comes from you. To say, "I love you, mom," is far more valuable than a steak dinner or diamond earrings ... or a McDonald's gift card.

Mother's Day is an opportunity for you to genuinely express your love and appreciation to your mother. Don't waste it with inferior substitutions or token gifts. Don't waste another minute. Take advantage of the time you have left to tell your mother that she is special to you, that you love her, and tell her so with genuine affection. She will be honored, you will be blessed, and the Lord will be glorified. (But you'd still better not forget the cards and gifts!)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Happy Mother's Day!

**CHAPMAN
LADIES BIBLE CLASS**
Thursday, May 17th at 6:30

May 20, 2018
GRADUATION DAY

After evening services in fellowship hall. Congratulations to our 2018 graduating high school seniors:

Lauren Carter
Hannah Loveless
Ali Mann
Ross Shackelford
Sydney Yancey

Please make plans to join us in wishing them well in their future endeavors.

Ladies please bring finger foods, desserts or 2 liter drinks.

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

•**SICK SUNDAY:** Kathy Moore, Mary Brady, Joanie Kate Reese, David Yancey

•**HOSPITAL:** Tony Morrison (Tupelo), Vicky Meeks (Tupelo)

•**TEST/PROCEDURES:** Johnny Cissom, Mildred Shackelford, Bobby White (Mildred's Shackelford's Brother-in-law)

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Nina Morrison, Jo Chapman, Louise Pannell, Nancy Yates, Roger Bryant (ALS), Venie Holbrook, Cortney Cissom, Tony & Jane Morrison, Juanita Mauney, David Young, Bobbie Prather, Sandra Hopper, George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father), Connie Mauney, Brandon King, Jane Bates, Lylah McGauhy, Niles Jones, Thad Berryman.

•**CANCER:** Jimmy Smith, Roxieann Foster, Danny Yancey, Lana Waldon, Diane Hodges, Bobby White, Sandra Jones, Dianne Graves, Betty Faye Ledbury, Cutah Newby, Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita Trotter, Carolyn Medlin, Lanny Yancey, Niani Colom-Omotesa, Kenneth Rainey, Marilyn Harrell, Janice Willingham, Lester Wommack, Doug Pannell, Sam Camp, Sam Warrington (cystic fibrosis & leukemia), Sue Mauney, Wade Hodges, Katherine Finley, Kane Pannell, Danny Edmonds, Dean McNutt, John Reno.

•**SHUT-INS:** Resthaven: **Oleta Phillips, Johnnie Carpenter** (Mailing: Resthaven Care Center, 103 Cunningham Drive, Ripley, MS 38663), Tippah County Hospital Nursing Home: **Bonnie Chapman, Lorene Daily, Christine Chapman** (Mailing: Tippah County Nursing Home, 1005 City Avenue North, Ripley, MS 38663).