



CHRIST'S CHURCH  
OF THE CANYON

Week of May 3, 2020

Mid-week devotion

Sunday is Mother's Day. Usually, at *Christ's Church of the Canyon* when we celebrate Mother's Day at our Sunday services we include gifts for Moms (no expense spared!), fanfare, maybe a few testimonies, a couple of worn out jokes, and anything else to fill the time slot. This Mother's Day will be very different. And to be honest with you I'd like to go back to the old way of celebrating the day. But, not to be. So, I'm including some Wikipedia information regarding Mother's Day:

***The modern holiday of Mother's Day was first celebrated in 1908, when [Anna Jarvis](#) held a memorial for her mother at St Andrew's Methodist Church in [Grafton, West Virginia](#). St Andrew's Methodist Church now holds the [International Mother's Day Shrine](#). Her campaign to make Mother's Day a recognized holiday in the United States began in 1905, the year her mother, [Ann Reeves Jarvis](#), died. Ann Jarvis had been a peace activist who cared for wounded soldiers on both sides of the [American Civil War](#), and created Mother's Day Work Clubs to address public health issues. Anna Jarvis wanted to honor her mother by continuing the work she started and to set aside a day to honor all mothers because she believed a mother is "the person who has done more for you than anyone in the world."***

I firmly believe this is a true statement save salvation freely given to us through Jesus Christ. But, here's the point. This week's sermon looks very specifically at what the Apostle Paul lists in his letter to Titus about women and mom's in particular. That coupled with two phenomenal women listed in Timothy's life specifically his Mom and his grandmother (you who are grandparents think you have no lasting influence in your grandkids' lives? Think again!) spoke truth into Timothy's life and we're the grateful recipients of Paul's letter's to his son-in-Christ, Timothy! Timothy was who he was because of the women in his life, his Mom and grand-mom! More about that in this week's sermon.

Please take a few minutes (what else do you have to do, right?) and read: Titus 2:3-5 *in several versions* before this Sunday.

Also, I think you're continuing to read Psalm 118 each day, *thank you*.

Enjoy God's blessings throughout the day - they're innumerable.

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