## Happy Birthday

Coryell Day May 7th Jana Wall May 18th Cassidy Stapp June 2nd

Happy Anniversary

June 14th

Will & Autumn Vann

### Namesake

It's difficult to receive correction, isn't it?
It's easy when being corrected to fall into judging the person's motives for correcting us, taking offense at the way they corrected us, and searching out inconsistencies and errors in the life of the one correcting

But I guess that's why David was said to be a "man after God's own heart" (1 Samuel 13:14). You see, David faced the stinging rebuke by the prophet, Nathan. In fact, Nathan set him up in such a way that David had to have been humiliated and embarrassed. But what did King David do? Did he criticize Nathan for the way he rebuked him? No. Did he make excuses for his conduct? No. Did he seek out a way to discredit Nathan? No.

Do you know what King David did? He named a son after Nathan! Check it out (1 Chronicles 3:5). Not only did David not take offense at what Nathan did to him, he later named one of his son's "Nathan." That's true humility and reflects a genuine desire to be right with God. David didn't hate Nathan for his rebuke, he loved him for it.

Friends, those who have the courage to confront you for your own good aren't worthy of our hatred or vengeance. In fact, in David's case, his confronter was worthy of "namesake." Give it some thought.

By Steve Higginbotham

### **Those to Serve**

- (B) Mike Lovell
- (FV) Calvin Burks
- (O) Doug Pruett
- (A) Jorge Garza

1st prayer Mike Mallett

2nd prayer Keith Stifflemire

Announcements: Jack Wall

Singing: Kevin Grant

May 12th

Mother's Day

May 19th

Men's Business Meeting

May 26th

Noon Fellowhip

May 27th

Memorial Day

June 2nd

Mission Sunday

June 16th

Father's Day

### **Prayer List:**

Letha Sheldon

Jorge Garza

Joyce Windham

**Dora Martinez** 

**David Jones** 

**Tammy Parker** 

Anita Adams

Pray for our Nation

Our Troops

Law Enforcement

Rescue Personnel

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May 12, 2024



Attending church services regularly is like making a path through the forest: the more often you use it, the less obstruction you find in the way."

**Sunday Worship:** 

9:30 am Bible Study

10:20 am Worship

12:30 pm Afternoon

**Wednesday Night** 

6:00 pm

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### Mom

Mom? Mom? Mom? Mom? Mo - - - - - - - - mm! Isn't it amazing what mom puts up with? At times it would have seemed easy and just to be disowned by mom, but she stuck with us even though we nearly drove her insane at times. Why? Because she loves us. There is a special bond between a mother and her child.

Sometimes we miss it. We have been punished, we have been given advice (even in adult-hood) that we think is just for the birds, and we sometimes get irritated at mom. And we seem to forget about all the times that we have irritated her over the years.

Show your mother love and appreciation for all that she has done and continues to do for you. Do this not only by giving her a gift and telling her, but listen to her wisdom and instruction. She will always be your mother and you will always be her baby no matter how old, big, or tall you get.

So what should you do? Consider these words: "Listen to your father who begot you, And do not despise your mother when she is old." (Prov. 23:22) "Let your father and your mother be glad, And let her who bore you rejoice." (Prov. 23:25).

- 1) First of all, make your mother proud and happy to be your mother. Don't treat her like a fool because she is old. Gray hair is a crown of honor, not a covering of shame.
- Consider these words also: "Honor your Father and Mother" (Eph 6:2). There is no age limitation on "honor your father and mother"
- 2) Second, Honor you Mother. To honor means to "value" something. Do you value your mother? If so, what are you doing to show it? To value your mother means you value her advice as well: "Whoever loves instruction loves knowledge, But he who hates reproof is stupid." (Prov. 12:1) When you mother gives you advice or corrects you, don't be "stupid". Continue to honor her as well as love her.

Mothers, don't give up. "Chasten your son while there is hope And do not set your heart on his destruction" (Prov. 19:18) Sometimes it may be tempting to give your kids away or sell them, but the bottom line is you love your kids in spite of any grief they may cause. The power of love causes you to overlook those things with patience just as God is patient in love with you. So don't let up: "Correct your son, and he will give you rest; Yes, he will give delight to your soul (Prov. 29:17)

Thank God for Mothers! By John Telgren

### What the Blood of Jesus Christ Gives Us

- \* It Gives Us Forgiveness (Matt. 26:28; Col. 1:14; Rev. 1:5)
- \* It Gives Us Life (John 6:53)
- \* It Gives Us the Church (Acts 20:28)
- \* It Gives Us Justification (Rom. 5:9)
- \* It Gives Us Redemption (Eph. 1:7; Col. 1:14; 1 Pet. 1:18 -19; Rev. 5:9)
- \* It Gives Us a Relationship with God (Eph 2:13: Heb. 10:19)
- \* It Gives Us Peace (Col. 1:20)
- \* It Gives Us a Clear Conscience (Heb. 9:14)
- \* It Gives Us the New Covenant (Heb. 12:24; Heb. 13:20)
- \* It Gives Us Sanctification (Heb 13:12)
- \* It Gives Us Continual Cleansing (1 John 1:7)
- \* It Gives Us the Victory! (Rev. 12:11)

But the blood of Jesus Christ can only do these things if we properly come into contact with it. And we are told in the Bible that we come into contact with the blood of Christ when we believe in Him, repent of our sins, and are baptized into Him. "Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection, knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin." (Rom. 6:3-6).

Have you let the blood of Christ do its wonderful giftgiving work for you?

By Edd Sterchi