

MORE TO LIFE THROUGH GOD

A Father's Legacy



The greatest legacy men pass on as fathers is not your inheritance. It is not even your good name. It is the spiritual heritage that we give to our children, desiring them to walk in the way of the Lord.

When David was on his deathbed, he said to his son,

"As for you, my son Solomon, know the God of your father, and serve Him with a loyal heart and with a willing mind; for the Lord searches all hearts and understands all the intent of the thoughts. If you seek Him, He will be found by you; but if you forsake Him, He will cast you off forever" (1 Chronicles 28:9 NKJV).

God has placed parents as the authorities in the life of the child.

Consider this: many of the attitudes a child will develop about God will be based on their relationship with their fathers. You as fathers need to do everything you can to be a godly influence on your children. When your children see their mom or dad contradicting what they know is true, great damage can be done. Sadly, many children do not honor their parents simply because they are not very honorable. Many adults have never grown up themselves, so they abandon their responsibilities to their families to chase after their own interests.

That is why Andrew Murray said, "The secret of home rule is self-rule: first being ourselves what we want our children to be."

Our children must see the gospel lived as well as preached. We are not only to be witnesses to the world. We also need to be witnesses in our homes. Children pay attention to what really matters to us and how our Christianity affects us in day-to-day living.

You are an example. The question is, will you be a good one or a bad one?

We find an interesting insight in an often-quoted passage regarding parenting — one that is usually quoted when children go astray. Proverbs 22:6 says, "Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it" (NKJV).

This phrase, "in the way," could also be translated, "in his bent." The Amplified Bible translates it this way: "Train up a child in the way he should go [and in keeping with his individual gift or bent], and when he is old he will not depart from it."

We see in this a recognition that every child is different. I hope, as parents, that we realize this about our children. Every child has a unique and distinct personality. Just as no two snowflakes are exactly like, it is the same with children.

This is why we need to observe our children. We need to watch our children. Then we need to adapt our training accordingly.

This doesn't mean we turn away from the principles of Scripture, but that we adapt them to each child. For example, stern words get some children in line, while others need a different approach.

My point is that we need to recognize the unique characteristics in the lives of the little ones whom God has entrusted to our care. We want to do our best to point them in the right direction and train them in the way of the Lord.

How often we think, "I'm too busy for the kids!" Yet time goes by so fast. Treasure each moment with your children, and don't neglect them. Express your love to them.

To know that our children walk with the Lord and are led by the Holy Spirit — that is our great hope. But we need to remember that they don't belong to us; they belong to God. Our responsibility is to point them to Him.

JUNE 2013



**PENTECOSTALS
OF BILLINGS**

SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY

10 AM

5:30 PM

WEDNESDAY- 7 PM

SATURDAY

PRAYER- 7 PM

District Ladies

Conference

June 20-22

Friends Day

AM Service

June 30

2335 Lewis Ave

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Think About What You Are Thinking About



I came across this devotion from Joyce Meyer that really hit home to me. I have been in those dark thoughts before, when in reality it was me that really needed to change my own thoughts. Enjoy!

Whatever is true, whatever is worthy of reverence and is honorable and seemly, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely and lovable, whatever is kind and winsome and gracious, if there is any virtue and excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think on and weigh and take account of these things [fix your minds on them]. —Philippians 4:8

Some people are very unhappy, and they have been that way so long that they no longer realize there is another option. I can well remember being like that. I blamed my unhappiness on the way others behaved. I thought my husband and children caused me the most unhappiness. If they would change and just be a little more sensitive to my needs, I knew I'd feel better. If they would help around the house more, volunteer to run errands, or just ask how I was doing, I knew I'd be happy.

Of course, I never said anything to them. If they were sensitive and caring, I thought, they would be able to see how they could help me and make my life easier.

I did pray about it, and I often told God how much happier I would be if they cooperated more, but they didn't change.

One day, God spoke to me—but not with the words I wanted to hear. He said, Think about what you are thinking about. I had no idea what God meant. In fact, the words didn't make sense. How could I think about what I was thinking about?

Then I realized the truth. My mind raced from one thought to another. That was bad enough, but worse, my thoughts centered around myself and my needs. I had thought that if they—the other people in my life—changed, I would be happy.

I finally reluctantly admitted that even if they changed, I'd find something else to be unhappy about. I was just unhappy and didn't need any particular reason. It was first one thing and then another.

As I pondered my condition, I thought of Philippians 4:8, where Paul presented a list of the kind of things we need to focus on. If God did not want me to think about the things I was thinking about, I first needed to know what I should think about. I soon realized I had a lot to learn.

Although I had been attending church for years, I could not remember anyone ever telling me how important my thoughts were to God and to my quality of life.

If we concentrate our thoughts on good things—the kind of things Paul mentioned in that verse—we will be built up. We will grow spiritually and become strong in the Lord.

As I continued to meditate on God's message, I realized how my thoughts affected my attitude—and this is true of all of us. God tells us to do things that are for our good. He wants us to be happy and fulfilled.

If we want happiness and fulfillment, we must find it God's way.

If we're full of wrong thoughts, we're miserable. That's not a theory—that's spoken from my own experience and is found in God's Word. I've also learned that when we're miserable, we usually end up making others around us miserable, too.

Since those days, I've made it a practice to take a regular inventory of my thoughts. I review the way I think. What have I been thinking about? I ask myself.

I stress this because—as I learned from my own experience—Satan deceives us into thinking that the source of our misery or pain is other people or sometimes our situations. He tries not to let us face the fact that our own thoughts are the source of our unhappiness. I would venture to say that it is practically impossible to be happy while maintaining negative, critical, depressing thoughts.

We need to overcome Satan in this area of the battle for our thoughts, and God will help us if we ask Him to.

Dear Lord Jesus, I have determined to think about the things I have been thinking about. I admit that my thoughts are the source of any unhappiness that I experience and not other people. I also know that the source of my victory is in You, and in Your name, I ask You to give me greater victory as I monitor my thoughts through the help of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

ATTENTION SPONSORS NEEDED

Some of our youth are planning on going to Youth Congress in Kentucky this coming August 7-10.

We are needing those kind, people that are willing to donate money and sponsor our young people to go to this great event!

If you are willing to give a certain amount per month until then or just a flat amount of money you can afford right now, anything will be appreciated.

If you have questions please contact April or Alan Coonfare for more information.

CHURCH PRAYER REQUESTS

Minnie Hampton
Tyler Sapp
Louie & Dale Dauenhauer
Michael Kruger
The Ehler family
Marty McFate
Carol Penrod
Galen Walter
Susan Sifuentes
The Woepfel family
The Plainfeather/Black Eagle family
The Lost Souls in Billings
The Sermon family



If you have a prayer request that you want posted for others to pray for please submit them to my email: coonfare03@yahoo.com



Did you know you can listen to the services online now?

Check it out here:

<http://www.pobmt.org/Sermons.aspx>



June 2013

S M T W T F S

						1 -Prayer
2	3	4	5	6 - Men's softball game	7 - Men's Bible Study -Children's Service 7 PM	8 -Prayer -Quiz Finals
9	10 - Men's softball game	11	12	13	14 - Men's Bible Study	15 -Prayer
16 Fathers Day AM Service	17	18	19	20 Ladies Conference	21	22 -Prayer
23	24 - Men's softball game	25	26	27	28 - Men's Bible Study -Youth	29 -Prayer
30 Friend's Day AM Service						

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

CHEESEBURGER CASSEROLE



Ingredients:

2 cups (6 oz) uncooked rotini pasta (use brown rice pasta for GF)
2 tsp oil
1 1/2 cups onions, finely chopped
1 garlic clove, finely chopped
1 lb lean ground beef (95% lean)
3/4 tsp salt
1/2 tsp black pepper
2 tbsp tomato paste
28 oz diced tomatoes
2 tbsp Dijon Mustard
2 cups reduced fat grated cheddar cheese
1/4 cup chopped dill pickles

Directions:

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Spray a 9 x 13 inch baking dish with cooking spray. In a large pot of boiling salted water, cook the pasta according to the package directions for al dente and drain well.

In a large skillet, heat the oil over medium-low heat. Add the onions and cook until soft, about 5 minutes. Stir in the garlic and cook for 30 seconds. Stir in the beef and cook until browned; season with salt and pepper. Stir in the tomato paste, then add the tomatoes and mustard. Let the mixture bubble gently until it is slightly thickened, about 2 minutes.

Toss the meat mixture with the pasta and spread it into the prepared dish. Top with the cheddar and bake until the cheese is melted, about 15 minutes. Sprinkle the chopped pickles over the top and serve. Makes about 9 cups.

Up Coming Events:



June 7- Quiz Service

June 20-22~ District Ladies Conference (registration forms in foyer)

June 30- Friends Day AM Service only

July 11-13~ Variety

July 29-August 2~ Family Camp in Hungry Horse, MT(registration forms in foyer)

August 15-17~ Junior Youth Camp - Avon, MT

SPIRITUAL WARFARE PRAYER

In the next coming months I am going to be adding a prayer tool for those expanded prayer times in your life that can change your life, the church and all you do.

These tools will help you to push back darkness and go push forward in your walk with God.

Mark 1:35 *“And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed.”*

WORDS OF INSIGHT

John 16:13

“Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth; for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak; and he will shew you things to come.”



Warfare Prayer by Binding and Loosing

Binding: Forbidding, to prohibit

Loosing: Permitting, to permit

BIND: SEDUCING SPIRITS

Hypocritical lies: 1 Timothy 4:1

Seared Conscience: 1 Timothy 4:1

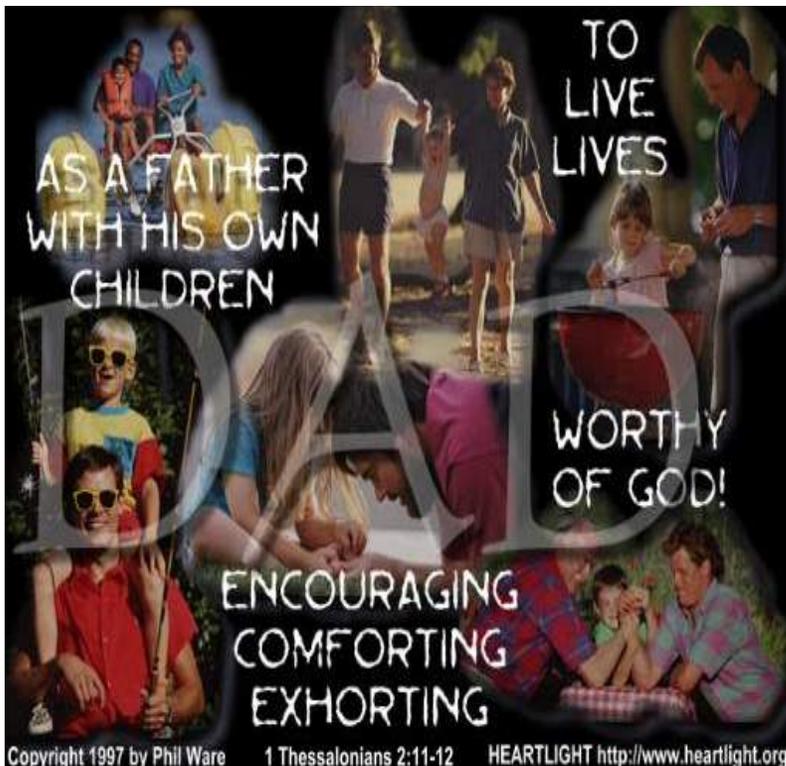
Deceived: 2 Timothy 3:13/ 1 John 2:18

Fascination to Evil ways, objects, or persons: Proverbs 12:26

Seduced, Enticed: 1 Timothy 4:1/ 2 Timothy 3:13

Wander from truth: 2 Timothy 3:13/ 1 John 2:18-26

Attractions- (Fascination by false prophets, false signs and wonders): Mark 13:22



*Little girls and
little boys need
heroes, champions
and strong, but
gentle guardians*

Life Tests



So you're sitting in your Social Studies class at school and then it happens.

Out of nowhere your teacher informs you that there is a test the next day. Your evening is shot. The dismissal bell rings and you file out of your classroom dreading the next day's test.

You walk in the door of your house that afternoon, grab a snack from the kitchen, and head straight to your room to study. No Facebook or Twitter. No texting. No X-box or Playstation.

Just names, places, and dates. You rack your brain trying to cram as much into it as possible before the next day's test. You feel as if your brain is going to explode and you look at the clock by your bed only to realize that you have only been studying for thirty minutes. You study as much as you can before finally giving up and falling asleep.

You wake up the next morning, pick up your drool covered Social Studies book and quickly get ready for school. You convince yourself that you will have plenty of time to study on the way to school and in home-room, but later you realize that you just can't bring yourself to cram any more information into that over saturated brain of yours.

Then the moment of truth comes. You get the test in your hand, and then it happens. You realize you don't know the answers to the questions that you knew the night before. You do your best to finish the test, knowing in the back of your mind that you completely bombed.

Life is full of tests.

Many of these tests, which we have all experienced in one way or another, are as unexpected as the Social Studies test given in the example above.

You will face tests in your life. It's not a question of "if" but rather "when" they will happen. The real question is whether or not you will be able to pass those tests when they arise.

Consider life an open book test.

Your textbook is your Bible.

In the Word of God you can find the answers to all of life's test questions. But will you know the answers when the time comes for that test? You can, if you commit yourself to the process of preparation through memorizing Scripture, reading the Word daily and studying it.

You can pass life's tests, even those pop quizzes that surprise you!

The Bible is our daily bread that we should partake of each and everyday, and it will be a lamp unto your feet in passing those hard, unexpected tests in life!

Youth Friday Fun!



June 7- Service at 7 pm

June 28- Youth Service/Practice Skit

Check out **SOLD OUT** Youth Group
Pentecostals of Billings on Facebook!

Happy Anniversary

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

3RD- Joann and Matt Walsh
5TH- Shonna and David Walks
10TH- Deanna and Randy Timme
16TH- Sarah and David Sifuentes
22ND- Rev. Edward and Regina Sermon



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1ST- Trenton Gurskey
4TH- Drake Coonfare
5TH- Teresa Bailey
14TH- Laney Richey
17TH- Jason Ruff
21ST- Becky Wittman
26TH- Fred Harmon

If you would like a Bible study simply give us a call. In your bible we will show you where the Lord commands us, that we are to be born again.



Ponder This...

“If you don’t learn contentment, you’ll never be happy. You’ll always want more.”

—Rick Warren

“Whether you call on him or don’t call on him, God will be present with you.”

—Frederick Buechner

Prayer is not given us as a burden to be borne or an irksome duty to fulfill, but to be a joy and power to which there is no limit. - The Kneeling Christian

“Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak; courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen.”

—Winston Churchill