

Mother's Day

Unexpected: Following Jesus

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Deuteronomy 6:4-7

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them upon your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.”

Luke 1:39-40

At that time Mary got ready and hurried to a town in the hill country of Judea, where she entered Zechariah's home and greeted Elizabeth.

1. The Look of Encouragement and Love.

Mark 10:21

Jesus looked at him and loved him.

1 Timothy 4:12

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.

2. The Touch of Grace and Mercy.

Ephesians 2:8

For it is by the grace you have been saved, through faith – and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast.

Psalms 84:11

For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows grace and glory; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless.

Psalms 51:1

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.

3. The Voice of Prayer and Hope.

James 5:16

“The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.”

Psalms 5:3

“In the morning, O LORD, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait in expectation.”

1 John 5:14

“This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.”