SPRING HILL CHURCH

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RAISE YOUR KIDS IN CHURCH

I heard someone say a few days ago, "See, that just goes to show you that you raise your kids in church all you want to, but...." and it literally shattered my heart.

All because that kid had made a mistake. All because that kid's sin was brought to light.

Let me just tell you....We don't raise our kids in church so they can grow up perfect. We don't raise our kids in church because it magically makes them unable to sin or holier-than-thou.

We do however raise our kids in church so WHEN they mess up and WHEN they fall short, they know just who to run to. So they know that their Lord and Savior will NEVER leave nor forsake them no matter how big or small their mess up might be.

So they know their

Heavenly Father will always leave the 99 if they are that ONE that needs saving.

So they will know what grace is like and give it out freely.

So they will know the unconditional love of their Father and love those around them just the same regardless of anything else.

So they know that there is absolutely NOTHING in this world they could do that our Saviors blood hasn't already covered.

I will never apologize for raising my children in church. I will never apologize for making sure our family makes church a priority over anything else. Because it's more than just a song and a sermon. It's more than just a memorized Bible verse in Sunday School. It's for when this cruel world we live

in comes knocking on their door, they personally know the solid rock on which they stand. It's so they know there is nothing too dirty, that He can't make worthy.

It takes a village right? Why not have a village of faith filled believers help raise your children. When you are sick, why not have a village at your door helping you?

My 15 old was at youth group last week and he was asked the question, "How did you get to know Jesus? His answer was, "Through going to church and our home bible studies that I enjoy attending."Having your children hear the word of God is helping you plant that seed of faith.

Pray with your children and be intentional in them hearing the depth of you speaking to the Father.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- TERRY & SHANNON
- FRAN
- JAN
- SHARON
- MAXINE
- ANGIE & TOMMY
- TRACEY
- PAYTON
- ASIAN MINISTRY
- MIKEL'S MOM
- CODY, LAURA & KID'S
- DALE & DONNA
- OUR CHURCH
- NOVA
- BETTY
- JAMIE
- OUR CHILDREN
- MR. SAMPSON
- AUBREY
- CAROL

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

PROVERBS 22:6

TRAIN UP YOUR CHILDREN

A young man went to seek an important position at a large Landscaping company. He passed the initial interview and was going to meet the director for the final interview. The director saw his resume, it was excellent. And asked:

"Have you received a scholarship for school?" The boy replied, "No." "It was your father who paid for your studies?" "Yes." He replied. "Where does your father work?""My father is a farmer and landscapes for fun."

The director asked the young man to show him his hands. The young man showed a pair of hands soft and perfect. 'Have you ever helped your parents at their job?' "Never, my parents always wanted me to study and read more books. Besides, he can do the job better than me.

The director said:

'I have got a request: When you go home today, go and wash the hands of your father and then come see me tomorrow morning.'

The young man felt his chance to get the job was high.

When he returned to his house he asked his father if he would allow him to wash his hands.

His father felt strange, happy, but with mixed feelings he showed his hands to his son. The young man washed his hands, little by little. It was the first time that he noticed his father's hand were wrinkled and they had so many scars. Some bruises were so painful that his skin shuddered when he touched them.

This was the first time the young man recognized what it meant for this pair of hands to work every day to be able to pay for his studies. The bruises on the hands were the price that his father paid for his education, his school activities and his future.

After cleaning his father's hand the young man stood in silence and began to tidy and clean up the workshop. That night, father and son talked for a long time.

The next morning, the young man went to the office of the director. The director noticed the tears in the eyes of the young man when he asked him,

'Can you tell me what you did and what you learned yesterday at your house?' The boy replied: "I washed my father's hands and when I finished I stayed and cleaned his workshop.'

'Now I know what it is to appreciate and recognize that without my parents, I would not be who I am today. By helping my father I now realize how difficult and hard it is to do something on my own. I have come to appreciate the importance and the value in helping my family.

The director said, "This is what I look for in my people. I want to hire someone who can appreciate the help of others, a person who knows the hardship others go through to accomplish things, and a person who realizes that money is not his only goal in life."

'You are hired.'

A child that has been coddled, pro-

tected and given everything he or she wants, develops a mentality of 'I have the right' and will always put himself or herself first, ignoring the efforts of parents, family and friends. If we are this type of protective parent are we really showing love or are we helping to destroy our children?

You can give your child their own room in a big house, food, a computer, tablet, cell phone, and a big screen TV, but when you're washing the floor or painting a wall, children need to experience that too.

After eating, have them wash the dishes with their brothers and sisters, let them fold laundry or cook with you, pull weeds or mow the lawn. You are not doing this because you are poor and can't afford help. You are doing this because you love them and want them to understand certain things about life.

Children need to learn to appreciate the amount of effort it takes to do a job right. They need to experience the difficulties in life that people must overcome to be successful and they must learn about failure to be able to succeed.

Children must also learn how to work and play with others and that they will not always win, but they can always work harder to reach their goals. If they've done their best, then they can take pride in all the effort they put forth.

Life is about giving and serving and these qualities are taught in most homes Rivers do not drink their own water...

Trees do not eat their own fruit...

The sun does not shine on itself...

Flowers do not spread their fragrance for themselves...

Living for others is a rule of Nature.

We are all born to help each other no matter how difficult it may be.

Life is good when you are happy...

But much better when others are happy because of YOU.

Love is not written on paper, for paper can be erased.

Nor is it etched on stone, for stone can be broken.

But it is inscribed on a heart and there it shall remain forever.

Before you assume, learn the facts. Before you judge, understand why. Before you hurt someone, feel. Before you speak, THINK. Sensitive people should be treasured.
They love deeply and think deeply about life.
They are loyal, honest, and true. The simple things sometimes mean the most to them. They don't need to change or harden. Their purity makes them who they are.

DUST IF YOU MUST

Dust if you must, but wouldn't it be better, To paint a picture or write a letter, Bake a cake or plant a seed, Ponder the difference between want and need? Dust if you must, but there's not much time, With rivers to swim and mountains to climb, Music to hear and books to read, Friends to cherish and life to lead. Dust if you must, but the world's out there With the sun in your eyes, the wind in your hair, A flutter of snow, a shower of rain. This day will not come 'round again. Dust if you must, but bear in mind, Old age will come and it's not always kind. And when you go and (go you must) You, yourself, will make more dust.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL......10:00AM SUNDAY WORSHIP11:00AM SUNDAY NIGHT.......6:00PM WEDNESDAY NIGHT......7:30PM

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We all have pasts.

We all made choices that
maybe weren't the best ones.

None of us are completely innocent but, we all get a fresh start every day to be a better person than we were yesterday.

Three Little Pigs went out to dinner one night. The waiter comes and takes their order. "I would like a Sprite," said the first little piggy. "I would like a Coke," said the second little piggy. "I want water, lots and lots of water," said the third little piggy.

The drinks are brought out and the waiter takes their orders for dinner. "I want a nice big steak," said the first little piggy. "I would like a salad plate," said the second little piggy."I want water, lots and lots of water," said the third little piggy.

The meals were brought out and a while later the waiter approached the table and asked if the piggies would like any dessert."I want a banana split, "said the first little piggy. "I want a root beer float," said the second little piggy. "I want water, lots and lots of water," exclaimed the third little piggy.

Pardon me for asking," said the waiter, "But why have you only ordered water? You're gonna hate me for this...

Hold on to your seat....

The third little piggy says—

"Well, somebody has to go 'wee, wee, 'all the way home."

Faith isn't about asking God to stop the storm.

Faith is about trusting God to help you through the storm.

Be a hand that reaches out.

Be a smile for those who have no reason to smile.

Be a light for those who live is darkness.

August 2022

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7 CONFERENCE JAKE W	∞	g DON	10 BRUCE	11 ANNISTON	12	13 WORK DAY
14	15	16	17	18 BRUCE & PATSY	19	20
21 JAMIE	22	23 GRACIE	24	25	26	27
28 SANDWICH NIGHT TIM CHASTAIN FAMILY	29	30	31 TERRY & SHANNON			