

Mother's Day is a little different than a lot of the special days. Our blessings through Christ are very similar in nature. Though there is some variations we can all be thankful for many of the same things. And since we all live in Canada our benefits are similar. But only you had that special relationship with your mother. You sister or brother though raised in the same house had a different relationship with your mother than you did. Why? Because she cared so much for you that she tried to tailor make her gifts to meet your individual needs.

That is why only you can remember the awesome favors you mother did for you. I had seven brothers and sisters. I recall listening to the chatter at a family gathering. "Do you remember when mother did so-and-so?" And to his or her astonishment the reply was "No." Why would one sibling remember something so vividly and another not have any recall of the event? Because we each remember our mother in our own way.

So this is Mother's Day! Can we take the time to do our Mother's a favor. Can we take some private moments and think back to our awesome mother. Or if we do not have the joy of a blood relative - to the one who raised us. What would they like us to do right now. What would be a special honor to them whether they are still on earth or in heaven. Is she worth doing it for?

~ Les Cramp

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Sit down in a quiet place without disruption and visualize your mother. Visualize her at work. Visualize her at play. Visualize her in good times and difficult. See her laugh and see her cry. Remember when she had a tear in her eye and do you recall what put it there. Bring back a time when she was disappointed with you and one when she was proud and how her face looked when she was proud of you. Remember a time when she did something special for you that really surprised you.

When we celebrate all the special days like Christmas, Thanksgiving and Canada's Birthday do we take a time of undisturbed meditation and really think about the reason for the day. Do we really ponder about Jesus and what he means to us at Christmas. Do we take time at Thanksgiving and really focus on how well blessed we are and who we should be thankful to. On July 1st do we seek out a quiet place and ponder deeply the awesome blessings we have because we live in Canada.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CARING & SHARING

Continue to remember Ada Binkley, Gord Cramp, Paul Cramp, Nancy Flanakin, Joyce Franklin, Jean Gonder, Fern Park, Isabel Petch, and June White.

SPEAKER THIS MORNING

Darren Book will be bringing us the lesson this morning.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Please join us for our weekly Bible study Wednesday afternoon at 2:00.

FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

The next fellowship Breakfast will be May 27 at 9:00 A.M. Dave Knutson will be speaking to us after the breakfast.

AREA HYMN SING

There will be an area hymn sing in Collingwood May 28 at 5:00 P.M. Please bring finger foods for the fellowship afterward.

SMALL GROUP STUDIES

If you would like to participate in small group studies, please sign the list on the bulletin board.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Shirley Andrusiak (19)



**Friday morning 8:30 am –
Vision TV**

Rogers cable 21

Bell 64

Star Choice 394

Sunday 2:00 pm – Joy TV

Rogers 173

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

If I live in a house of spotless beauty with everything in its place, but have not love, I am a housekeeper not a homemaker. If I have time for waxing, polishing, and decorative achievements, but have not love, my children learn cleanliness not godliness. Love leaves the dust in search of a child's laugh. Love smiles at the tiny fingerprints on a newly cleaned window. Love wipes away the tears before it wipes up the spilled milk. Love picks up the child before it picks up the toys. Love is present through the trials. Love reprimands, reproves, and is responsive. Love crawls with the baby, walks with the toddler, runs with the child, then stands aside to let the youth walk into adulthood. Love is the key that opens salvation's message to a child's heart. Before I became a mother I took glory in my house of perfection. Now I glory in God's perfection of my child. As a mother, there is much I must teach my child, but the greatest of all is love.

~ Author Unknown

WEEKLY BIBLE READINGS

Week 20: May 14 — May 20 — **Patience**

- 14) Colossians 1:9-11
- 15) James 1:2-8
- 16) Revelation 1:9
- 17) Revelation 2:2-3
- 18) Revelation 2:19
- 19) Revelation 3:10
- 20) Matthew 18:21-35

Questions to consider:

1. How can you summarize this passage in two to three sentences?
2. What does this passage teach you about patience?
3. What is the Lord specifically leading you to do in response to this passage?