
Healing Family Divisions - Every Mother's Prayer

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2 Timothy 1:5-7; 1 Peter 3:8-12

Family Can Be Complicated

- I. What every family requires**
 - A. Love
 - B. Leadership
 - C. Listening
 - D. Learning

- II. The key architect of each family is Mom**
 - A. The many definitions & descriptions of Mom
 - 1. The nurturer & manager of the home
 - 2. The problem solver
 - 3. The prayer warrior
 - 4. The one whose love reflects God's love
 - 5. The glue of the home & family
 - 6. The one whose faith is seen, felt, & embraced
 - 7. The one who brings unity, togetherness, & connection to the family

III. Why is unity & connection so important?

- A. Because Jesus said, "A house divided cannot stand"
- B. Unity & connection help others see the power of faith - John 17:23

IV. Division is real & destructive

- A. It is used by the evil one
- B. It separates & destroys
 - 1. Families
 - 2. Churches
 - 3. Communities
- C. In the past 5 years we have seen an increase in division
 - 1. Racial division
 - 2. Political division
 - 3. Ecclesiastical division
 - 4. Medical division
- D. Which impacts the family

V. The result of family division

- A. Reationally
 - 1. We stop speaking
 - 2. We stop interacting
 - 3. We stop caring (apathy)
- B. Mentally (Psychologically)
 - 1. Tension increased
 - 2. Anxiety
 - 3. Depression
- C. Faith
 - 1. Weakens
 - 2. Doubt emerges

VI. How division impacts faith

- A. Stop going to church
 - 1. That is a real symptom
 - 2. Stop participating in worship
- B. Stop praying
- C. Stop serving/witnessing
- D. Stop studying

VII. Moms remember: For many faith is often born in our homes

- A. Paul's compliment to Timothy
 - 1. Your sincere faith
 - 2. First in grandmother Lois
 - 3. In your mother Eunice
- B. Faith based on: evidence, experience, & encounters
- C. Faith that: moves mountains, parts the sea, closes mouths of lions, brings down giants, breaks chains, changes hearts, & shapes our world view

VIII. The importance of fighting the good fight of faith and unity

- A. When division comes into the home, faith is weakened
- B. When faith goes weak, doubt takes root
- C. When doubt takes root, confusion & division take over
- D. Then separation grows even greater causing one to leave the flock & then The Shepherd

IX. Jesus calls us to build our homes on the rock of His Word

- A. He offers a foundation when disagreements emerge
- B. Disagreements don't have to create disunity

X. The foundation Jesus offers to build your faith, your relationships, & your home

- A. Ephesians 4:2
 - 1. With humility (when we listen)
 - 2. With gentleness (respond with care)
 - 3. Caring begins with listening
 - 4. We seek to understand
 - 5. Pride builds walls
 - 6. Patience (when you recognize your faults)
 - 7. Faith is vertical & horizontal
- B. Jesus laid down His life to bring us in connection with God
- C. When others see what God can do
 - 1. Bringing unity where there is division
 - 2. Bringing faith where there is doubt
 - 3. Disunity no longer runs or ruins your life
 - 4. Faith, hope, & love are the result

**Mom It Begins With You
The Glue To Your Family Is You**