

Happy Mother's Day

Mom and Mrs. Zebedee

5/9/2010

Matthew 20:20-23

A wise mother will ...

1. Bring her children to _____

“Then the mother of Zebedee's sons came to Jesus with her sons and...” V 20

A. Teach the kids to _____ themselves before God
“Then the mother of Zebedee's sons came to Jesus with her sons and kneeling down...”

B. Teach the kids to believe in _____.
“Then the mother of Zebedee's sons came to Jesus with her sons and kneeling down, asked a favor of him.”

2. Pray that her kids will be a _____ of the Kingdom of God.

“What is it you want?” he asked. She said, "Grant that one of these two sons of mine may sit at your right and the other at your left in your kingdom." V 21

3. Pray that her kids would be _____ in the work of His Kingdom

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4. Have _____ expectations.

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A word of caution:

Expectations can be _____. If I am saying to a child that I expect something GREAT from you, and the child believes that my _____ is contingent upon their performance, then that is a disaster and totally _____.

The message a Mom can communicate to her child is that I expect you to do _____. Often times, a Mom knows when a child is being lazy, or is sick, or in need of an attitude adjustment that is affecting their performance.

Healthy expectations (those where your love is not connected to their performance) produce awesome results and often times you will get _____ what you expected!