

A Periodical for Christian Young Ladies

Jewels **for His Crown**



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What's Happening!



Spring is in the air and so is spring cleaning!! There is always so much to do to keep things going and there are plenty of jobs that need attention at our church. This is always the time that we love to get together for fellowship as we work together to make the Lord's house "ship-shape" again. Do you all do spring cleaning at your house? Do you know where the tradition came from? When the Israelites were in Egypt and about to leave, Moses told them to get all the leaven out of their homes. Everything was to be cleaned carefully to make extra sure there was nothing in the home that would offend God in any way. Leaven is a Bible-type of sin. How often do you look into your own heart to see what it is that takes most of your time and affections? Spring is a wonderful time for cleaning, with the breezes blowing through the doors and windows, and it can be a great time to do some soul-searching, too. Is your heart honest? Do you seek the Lord's will in all things or are you following your own interests without regard to Jesus or anyone else? Worse yet, are you feigning devotion to Christ while all the time covering a wicked heart? Take some time and think, dear girl. Jesus is coming SOON! Will you have your lamp filled with oil and ready, or will you be as the foolish virgins who waited too late? Clean your "house" and have days full of the brightness of his glory!

And...You're Off!

I don't know about you, but I love games! In this edition, there is something hiding. waiting for you to find it. The image will not be big but if you look close enough, it will be there. Be one of the first five to contact me and win the prize! To make this as fair as possible, since some of my readers do not have much access to communication devices, your contact must be through the good, old-fashioned mail box. Just send me a note, postcard, or any such thing as that with the page number where you found this diamond and a little of its location.



What are the prizes? Oh, that is MY secret!!! Have fun!

Render therefore

*to all their dues:
tribute to whom tribute is due;
custom to whom custom;
fear to whom fear;
honour to whom honour.*

Romans 13:7

*Rudeness
is the weak
person's
imitation of
strength.*

**Be kindly affectioned
one to another with
brotherly love; in
honour preferring
one another;
Romans 12:10**

Sorry is not
enough.
Sometimes,
you actually
have to change.

Listen when you're spoken to;
And when someone is talking,
Don't put in a cent or two
And say the things you're
thinking.

Think about your mother dear
And help her all you can;
And be there for Daddy, too,
To lend a helping hand.

Never run in front of one
Who's older than yourself!
Always be considerate
Of someone in poor health!

Titles such as "Sir" and "Ma'am"
Are necessary things;
They show respect and honor;
A good name to you bring.

They care not how much you
know
Until they know you care.
Respect will come back to you
when
You spread it everywhere.

Search It Out!

One of the devotional books that Bro. Miller and I read is "Daily Light on the Daily Path," compiled by Samuel Bagster. This amazing little book is full of scripture verses...and nothing more. Mr. Bagster would gather his large family together daily for reading God's Word, testing their knowledge by connecting the day's verses with other passages, and praying over how it could be applied. In reading the Word of God, you become more familiar with the verses, their meaning, and how God meant for them to be understood. So, you have this challenge! I have given you five of the "leader" verses from some of the pages of the book. See if you can find five verses that would go with them. In the next issue, I will give you the references of the verses the Bagsters chose and you can see how many of them that you found. Keep them in a journal or on index cards to store in a box.

1. We have turned every one to his own way.
Is. 53:6
2. Thou hearest me always. John 11:42
3. In the multitude of my thoughts within me
thy comforts delight my soul. Psalm 94:19
4. The Lord is at hand. Phi. 4:5
5. Whom having not seen, ye love. 1 Peter 1:8

Honor Where Honor Is Due

"Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth."

Psalms 71:9

There is a terrible plague sweeping through our country. It has always been here but in recent times there have been multiple serious cases. Things are worsening, and although we are but a small voice in the wilderness around us, the only way to stop any kind of problem is to realize there is one and decide to do something about it in our own lives. The plague I am speaking of is disrespect of parents, grandparents, and all elders in general.

When I say the word "elders", I am not only referring to people who are old in years, although they do make up the larger majority of that category. We have become so distrustful of anyone that we have mistakenly taught our children to disregard others entirely. The great majority of children and young people today will not even answer an adult when they are spoken to. Instead of teaching them common sense about being aware of dangers with strangers, we teach them to distrust and suspect everyone, which is not only destructive to their character but can be damaging to the character of others around them whom they accuse of false wrongdoing.

When we are children, we have the tendency to think that our parents are unfair and mean when they do not let us have our way. Our parents are given to us to train us in the way that we should go, and even though you may not have parents that are Christian people, they are the ones to whom God gave you. Most parents will do their best to teach you how to live right and not to get into trouble. The life-lessons that they have learned have mainly come from their own mistakes and sins and they do not want to see you make the same choices that have caused them such trouble and sorrow. So as we get older we should begin to see the responsibility that is upon our parents and how much we should honor them for what they are to us.

Children learn by example. A person should NEVER use that as an excuse for any wrong attitude or sinful action, especially in themselves. You only act the way that you desire to act, and if you claim to be a child of God you should learn what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God for your actions and do it. Just because your friends disrespect their parents and talk about how unjust they are treated does not mean that you should join them in their disrespectful tirades. We all learn from each other. How you act and what you say will either help your friends (and siblings) to honor your elders and honor God, or you will be giving them another excuse to follow the course of this world in its sinful ways.

God commands us to honor our parents. *"Honour thy father and thy mother, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee; that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee, in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee."* Deuteronomy 5:16 In Ephesians 6:2, it is called the first commandment with promise. There are no prerequisites to showing them honor, they deserve your honor because they are your parents. The Bible does not say that you should honor them if they are honorable or if they are Christians, only to honor them because they are your Mom and Dad. And that includes step-parents, too.

Older folks such as grandparents should have our respect. Many people ignore older people, thinking they are useless because their strength is diminishing and they cannot think as clearly as they once did. But the older people in your family are a well-spring of your family history and genealogy that will be gone when they die. To sit and listen to grandma or grandpa tell about how things were when they were little is a good way to know about your family and will give them great pleasure while entertaining you. They love for you to ask them questions about your parents or even how things were when they were growing up. Elderly learn to be quiet for many reasons and one of the saddest is they feel that no one wants to hear what they know, which shamefully is true more often than not. We make them feel that they are useless and in the way. This does not honor them as God instructs us to do in his word. *"Thou shalt rise up before the hoary (which means 'gray') head, and honour the face of the old man, and fear thy God: I am the LORD."* Leviticus 19:32 I have seen children

making faces at older people and even kicking their shins or trying to make them stumble or trip. There are now gangs who search out old, slow-moving people to attack and rob, mainly because they are old. I have even seen certain children of church members being disrespectful and hateful to older people. But God is watching, and his word is, *"Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord."* *Romans 12:19* *"And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works."* *Revelation 20:12* God does not forget for he has written down in books all the things that happen on this earth. Someday he will judge us all for the things that are written in those books about us.

Another one whom we sometimes forget to honor is our pastor and the leaders of our church. The Bible says, *"Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you."* *Hebrews 13:17* If you have a good pastor that loves the Lord Jesus and studies the Word of God to bring you a good message every week that will feed your soul and help you live a good, holy life, you need to thank God for him and treat him with due respect. Call him "Brother" or "Pastor" when you speak to him. When he is preaching, never distract with whispering or looking at your phone but look him in the face and listen to what God has given him to give to you. He is responsible for your soul and how it gets fed so that you can grow in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. If he fails you, he will answer to God for it, and you will answer to God if you do not show him honor and respect. Your pastor's wife should be someone that you look up to, also, as well as your Sunday School teachers and the deacons in your church. Even though they are faulty human beings who make mistakes, God has set authorities in our lives to give us order and grace. Without order you have chaos, and the devil is the author of confusion.

So, be respectful, be courteous. *"Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;"* *Romans 12:10* Have respect for others and show the love of Christ.

Ask Granny!

Have you ever had questions that you wish you could ask someone but you just did not know who to ask?

Now is your opportunity!

Granny is a listener, a Godly counsel
that can help you in time of need.

She is not a gossip for she hates
and despises talebearing!

She loves you unconditionally and will do all she can to help
you understand God's Word and way.

She wants you to succeed in your life
according to the Bible.

She will pray for you and will write back to you.

(And if you wish to remain anonymous, Granny will address your
question in the next issue of Jewels, no names added.)

So grab a pencil and a piece of paper!

Write today!!

Send your letters to:

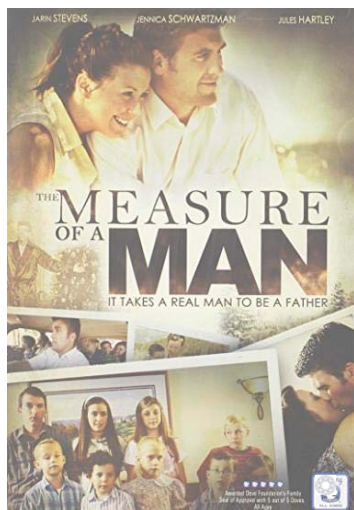
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Movie Review

Here are a couple of movies that my family has enjoyed. These are both true stories of real people and are inspiring as well as entertaining.



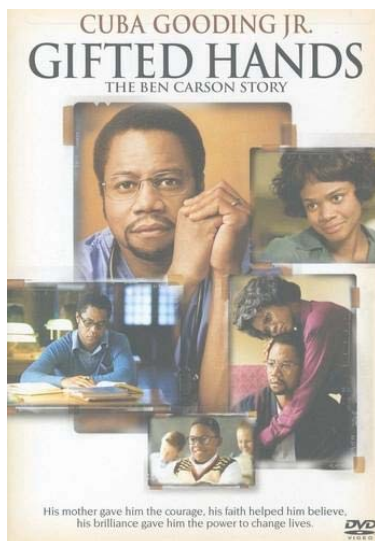
The Measure of a Man:

This movie tells the heartwarming and inspiring story of Donald Bailey, who, as a teenager, leaves behind his home in California and sets out to make his mark on the world. Many years later, during her father's final moments of his battle with cancer, Elizabeth Bailey recalls pivotal moments in her father's life--from his childhood spent in an orphanage to his growth into a hardworking man, loving husband, and dedicated father of nine children. A series of tender snapshots of growing up

in the Bailey household, *The Measure of a Man* captures the importance of leaving a legacy of love and faith--and shows that in the quest to create a good life for others, one can craft a legacy that lasts much longer than a lifetime.

Gifted Hands-The Ben Carson Story

Young Ben Carson didn't have much of a chance. Growing up in a broken home amongst poverty and prejudice, his grades suffered and his temper flared. And yet, his mother never lost her faith in him. Insisting he follow the opportunities she never had, she helped to grow his imagination, intelligence and, most importantly, his belief in himself. That faith would be his gift - the thing that would drive him to follow his dream of becoming one of the world's leading neurosurgeons.



Crafts

Mother's Day is on the way...so here are a few ideas for Mommy!



Framed Vintage Patterns are easy to make and great for a seamstress mother. Find a package front you like on line and make two copies the same size. After printing them both, choose one of the figures and cut it out carefully. Using double-stick foam tabs, position your cut-out over the one on the whole picture. Add a little extras like flowers and lace and position it all in a shadow-box style frame. The

effect is beautiful! I am redecorating my sewing/quilting room and made these.



Covered Tissue Boxes can make a nice personal gift for Mom's night stand.



Either make one from poster board by simply cutting the bottom out of a regular tissue box, gently unfolding the box and use it as a pattern. Just remember to make the top a little bigger so it will

easily slide over a new box of tissues. You may also purchase a wooden tissue cover (ConsumerCrafts.com) and cover it, paint it, even stain it. Remember to match the color and motif of your mother's room.



Recipe Book can be put together with simple metal shower rings or in a small purchased ring notebook. You will need a package of matching scrapbook paper and some file box dividers, too, and, of course some index cards. Cover each divider front and back with the paper, using them to divide catagories, such as "Chicken Recipes", "Crock Pot Favorites", "Desserts", etc. To make each "page" of the book, cut a

piece of the paper double the size of the cards and fold it over. Glue a recipe card on each page, punch holes evenly along the bottom edge of the cards and insert them in order on the rings.

Recipes

I am giving you an interesting recipe in this issue. When I was a child, my brother, Bob, went to Thailand in the Air Force. When he came back, he taught our mother how to make a dish that, to me, sounded like, "Cow Pot". Having a Filipino missionary stay with us for a while inspired me to look up some recipes and...I found it! It actually sounds like "Cow Pod Guy". Serve this with some stir fry vegetables and maybe some egg rolls. It makes a great meal!

KHAW PAD GAI - THAI STIR-FRIED RICE

- 2 cups of day old, dry rice
- 1/2 cup of diced onion
- 4 finely chopped garlic cloves
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup frozen peas and carrots
- 4 green onion stalks chopped into 1/4 in. pieces
- 2 boneless skinless chicken breasts thinly chopped into bite-size pieces
- 3 tsp. fish sauce or Thai white soy sauce
- 1 tsp. oyster sauce
- 1 tsp. sugar
- 1/4 tsp. white pepper powder
- 1 quartered lime,
- 6 or so cucumber slices
- handful of cilantro



1. Add a few teaspoons of cooking oil to your wok.
2. Throw in the onion and garlic and saute until soft, and you smell a delicious aroma.
3. Add the eggs to the wok. Let them set and, then scramble them a bit.
4. Then add the chicken, or whatever meat you chose, and stir-fry until it's almost cooked through.
5. Add whatever veggies you are using, and stir-fry until veggies and meat are cooked.
6. I like to take out everything that is in the wok at this point, and set it on a plate, so the rice can be stir-fried on it's own. The rice stays dry and doesn't get gooeey the less you have in your wok when stir-frying it.
7. Add a few more teaspoons of oil to your wok.
8. Make sure you have broken up the rice, so it isn't in one huge clump. Then add it to the wok.
9. Stir-fry until it's warmed through, and some of it is crisping up.
10. Add your soy sauces and sugar to taste, along with the chicken and veggies.
11. Turn off the heat and mix in your green onion and dash some pepper powder in it as well.
12. Then make it pretty by adding a sprinkle of cilantro on top, and two or so lime wedges and cucumber slices on the side of each plate.

(Note: You may also use beef or other sea food in this recipe.)

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