

Women in the Church Newsletter

*Transformed to pursue the glory of God in our daily lives
-Becoming What We Behold-*



Photo by Cathy Coble. See testimony below :)



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***Circles 2 & 3 will be studying Chapter 6**

***Circles 1 & 4 will be studying Chapter 7**

Chapter 7: Sarah's Son

Abraham and Sarah are an illustration of Roman's 11:33-12:2. They learned the glorious doctrinal truths about God and his promise of redemption, and gradually the gospel did its glorious work in their lives. In this lesson they present themselves as living sacrifices as they finally submit to the glorious truth that ***nothing is too hard for God.***

Other points of discussion are: the contrast between a pillar of salt and a pillar of support, our status with God is because of his grace and not our works, the glorious work of the gospel, and evidences of transformation.



Missionary
Focus

West Africa
Partnership-
Churches

Alex & Suzanne
Sarran- Church
Planting, Lyon,
France

PCA- Retired
pastors

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Countries

***Don't forget to get
in touch with the
sisters in your Sister
Groups!!**



Board
meeting: June
13th

Annual
meeting:
Aug. 29

Testimony corner: Cathy Coble

STAY HOME. OK. So we have been directed to "stay home," and for the most part, we have "stayed home" during the course of this extraordinary historic world event called COVID-19. Just now I am waiting in line at a food bank. It is not moving very fast at all. It's muggy hot. Thankfully I have an air conditioner. There is a poor man in a flannel shirt standing behind me. Evidently they made him get in line on foot. I will let him go ahead of me - if I ever get to move up front.

I CAN'T WAIT TO GET HOME!

That's pretty much life, isn't it? Hurry up and wait. Start & stop. We get frustrated. Go out, come in. (I did get back home. Ahhh, at last!) Think about your earthly home.

Why do we get that feeling of - what would you call it when you get back home?

-**Safety** (surely that, during these days anyway)?

-**Security** (that is what matters most to women, I have read - but secure in what?)?

-**Freedom** (like being able to let down or let it all out or just to be yourself without the world's eye watching, to do what you want to do or what you ought?)?

-**Gratefulness** (for having a home to return to or for the treasures you have acquired in your home?)? Only God knows our hearts.

These are just a few, but I think for the Christian maybe **Peace** would trump the others. Or perhaps all of these with a righteous perspective, of course, are a part of Peace.

Yes, Jesus spoke of all these in one way or another. Read these verses -

Safety - "The beloved of the LORD dwells in safety..." Deut. 33:12

Security - "...the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the Hope of glory." Col. 1:27

Freedom - "...If you abide in My word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:31-32

Gratefulness - "always give thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father." Eph. 5:20

Peace - "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid." John 14:27

Remember that Jesus told us He was going to prepare a place for us - a home for us in heaven. Indeed, our recently departed beloved sister, Helen Kelley, and beloved brother, Peyton Palmer, now know their own prepared homes, and they are with Jesus! But for us now, Jesus has said "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and **we will come to him and make our home with him.**" (John 14:23) An amazing promise, an amazing fact because Jesus said it! "Ahhh," we can say. "Jesus is here, and all is well." Somewhere between the pandemic and the pandemonium of our current life is the peace of Christ in which we dwell. My picture of peace reminds me of a verse my cousin Bobbi gave me today, Psalm 57:1 - "Be merciful to me, O God, ... for in you my soul takes refuge; in the shadow of your wings I will take refuge, till the storms of destruction pass by."

May our Merciful God transform our perspectives to be more like His (2 Cor. 3:18), and may He show us how to help our children and grandchildren have a proper and godly perspective of HOME, always with a view of our Heavenly Home, where one day we will STAY HOME -- FOREVER!