**SERMON NOTES**

**Mother’s Day 2025**

**“Sufficient Grace: His Power Made Perfect in Weakness”**

**1 Corinthians 12: 9 – 12**

**God’s word speaks \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the joys and sorrows of Mother’s Day.**

**The griefs of loss, longings yet unfulfilled, and the hurt of brokenness that sin’s presence brings in this world will be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ finally and ultimately one day in that great land of “no mores” (Rev 21:1 – 4).**

**The Bible teaches us that when we are saved, we are made new. As believers in Jesus, we are not our worst mistakes or even our parents’ worst mistakes. Our family history and cycle are not our destiny and we can by the power of God write a different story of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**We see in Anna a great example of what it means to love, serve, and rest in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in seasons of longing and loss (Luke 2: 36-38).**

**God is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. His grace is sufficient. His power is made perfect in the weakness and hardship of desires yet unfulfilled.**

**Faithfulness, not perfection in parenting, is what God \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**There is nothing more important and nothing you will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ more at than motherhood (parenting in general).**

**Your weakness (in parenting) doesn’t shame the gospel, your weakness preaches what the gospel says about us all and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God’s grace.**

**It is a sovereign act and work of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that any child learns to love the Lord, see their sin, repent and become a believer.**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ does not come from any other source than God.**

 **The call for us as a parent (mothers) is to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and trust the Lord with the results.**

**Faithful mothering (parenting) begins and ends with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**Faithful mothering (parenting) seeks to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the godly examples of mothers (parenting) that we see in scripture - being careful not to fall into the trap that we must be just like these to have godly kids.**

**Teach and train your children in the gospel and their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in God (Exodus 2: 1-11).**

**Be faithful to disciple your children through your own \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Luke 2: 46 -55)**

**There are many times when \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are caught by our children through observing our worship.**

**Mary’s faithful, simple, and observable worship sowed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that God chose to use to shape and instruct her children in salvation and knowledge.**

**We can never be perfect mothers (or parents) for our kids but we can example for them \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from sin – which is what they need to learn in order to be saved.**

**Godly mothers are godly because of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The work of Jesus in the life to give them a new heart – and a new spirit is what makes these women such godly and praise worthy examples to us.**

Blanks: sufficiently; healed; faithfulness; Lord; enough; desires; fail; necessity; God; Salvation; faithful; prayer; model; worship; discipleship; seeds; repentance; God;

Congregational Scripture Reading – Proverbs 31: 28 – 31

Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: “Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.”

 Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.

Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the gates.