

## Sermon Notes

### Mother's Day: Finding Security

Theme: We crave security; we are born needing to experience stability and security. While we search many places and in many ways to find it, ultimately it can only be found in Christ. However, God designed many areas of life to be the means by which we can taste of the security for which we long. At an early age, that is found in our parents. It is they who provide the initial security, which will keep us on course – and point us to Christ.

Ps 31:2

Be my rock of protection, a fortress where I will be safe

Heb 6:17-19

Therefore, we who have fled to him for refuge can have great confidence as we hold to the hope that lies before us. This hope is a strong and trustworthy anchor for our souls. It leads us through the curtain into God's inner sanctuary

#### 1. An example: Motherhood

Providing security and stability from one who is not all that secure and stable.

Isa 66:13 (NIV)

As a mother comforts her child,  
so will I comfort you; and you will be comforted over Jerusalem.”

#### 2. Family: the foundation of security and stability

#### 3. What is the security we all crave?

- a. Will the future be ok? Will I be safe in the future?
- b. Will I be financially secure?
- c. Will my health remain stable
- d. Will my family and relationships remain stable and secure
- e. Will our nation be secure (political and economically)

#### 4. God is our Rock and our Fortress: Our Ultimate Security

- a. Relationally
- b. Into the future (see Is 66:13; Ps 31:2)
- c. He reflects that which our Mothers are designed to provide
  - i. To ease our fears (Is 66:12)
  - ii. To give us security to face difficult times (Ps 61:3-4)
  - iii. To assure us that we are loved
- d. He will not change; nor will His promises or grace

#### 5. Your responsibility: give each other a taste of stability and security and, in doing so, point people to Christ

- a. Relationally: in the way you love each other
- b. Grace: in the way you forgive each other (are you “safe” with each other)
- c. In your trustworthiness, even as God is trustworthy
- c. In the way you raise your children: they must find you as a refuge
- d. You must see Christ as your refuge (your rock and shelter)

Dt 32:10

Like an eagle that rouses her chicks and hovers over her young, so he spread his wings to take them up and carried them safely on his pinions.

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Is 61:3-4

Lead me to the towering rock of safety, for you are my safe refuge, a fortress where my enemies cannot reach me. Let me live forever in your sanctuary, safe beneath the shelter of your wings!

1Th 2:6 –1Th 2:7 (NIV)

We were not looking for praise from men, not from you or anyone else.  
As apostles of Christ we could have been a burden to you,  
but we were gentle among you, like a mother caring for her little children.

Lk 13:34 (NIV)

“O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing!

Is 66:12-13

This is what the Lord says:

“I will give Jerusalem a river of peace and prosperity.

The wealth of the nations will flow to her.

Her children will be nursed at her breasts, carried in her arms, and held on her lap.

I will comfort you there in Jerusalem as a mother comforts her child.”

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