

SPIRITUAL LIFE AND MESSAGE FOR MAY 2018 G. Bernice Richardson, Secretary

Opening Song: "Faith of Our Mother"

Faith of our mothers, living yet In cradle song and bedtime prayer, In nurs'ry love and fireside love, Thy presence still pervades the air. Faith of our mothers, living faith, We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our mothers, Christian faith, In truth beyond our man made creeds, Still serve the home and save the church, And breathe thy spirit through our deeds. Faith of our mothers, Christian faith, We will be true to thee till death.

Prayer: (As led by the Holy Spirit)

Scripture: Psalms 103:17-22

Meditation: "Mother's Day"

The role of a "good" mother is not for the weakling, for being a good mother is a difficult assignment to fulfill. The most demanding jobs in the work force are a mere vacation compared to the challenging, exhausting, arduous, trying profession of mothering....and that is if you have an easy going and obedient child.

If you face the difficult task of dealing with one or several high-spirited and strong willed – not to mention ill or mentally, physically, emotionally challenged sons or daughters, your job becomes that much more challenging.

There is no reward great enough to repay the sacrificial investment of a mother's care. Yet, if you ask a mom what is the best compensation she could ever receive for giving her life for her children, she would always say: "to see my children walking safely in the love of God."

If you are a mom today, commit your mothering and your children to God....and remember to smile at your mom and say "thank you."

Closing Song: "Thank You, Lord"

Thank You Lord, for saving my soul, Thank You Lord for making me whole. Thank You Lord, for giving to me. Thy great salvation so rich and free.

Closing Prayer:

Dear Lord,

We thank you for creating **mothers**, each with a unique combination of gifts and talents. We thank you for their courage, faith and love. Bless all **mothers** everywhere. **Amen.**

