

Women's Thursday Bible Class-

God's Distinctive Calling for Women 2022

Lesson seven: To Live for God's Glory

Share highlights from the Women's Conference

Review

Read the first paragraph from Susan Hunt

Key point of the chapter is seeing the difference that the shared goal of glorifying God can make. (discussion questions)

Return to the Elizabeth- Mary model (Luke 1:38-55)

- significant that they were filled with the Holy Spirit

1. A biblical worldview replaces the "me" worldview

- read some pertinent quotes

1. Humility replaces pride.

2. how do we know M and E were humble? Lk. 1 - see how they both gratefully accepted their assignments

3. How was humility reflected in their sons? John 3:30 , Mat. 3:11 and classic Phil. 2 - Jesus true Essence of humility

1. Security replaces possessiveness.

2. reflect a moment on how the good of how God has designed us CAN take on a distorted look.

3. For ex., we are good at attaching, more relational ; we care, right?

4. Good self exam question is where do I derive my security and significance?

1. Appreciation replaces resentment.

2. recognizing differences, diversity of gifts, personalities, ages, stages, etc.

3. for ex., read from Nancy Leigh Demoss Wolgemuth's book Adorned

" These radical differences are only possible when we women are living for God's glory. Different levels of growth but same direction.... The spiritual mother/daughter relationship implies one is just further along in the process."

The truth is - we will face hard circumstances, challenges that push us to ask if we really believe God's ways work. God is asking us to grow up and step up. We are practiced. Now we need to play in the game, not be content to stay on the sidelines. Our churches need us. The Titus 2 model of life on life is not for the ones who " have it all together". It is for us imperfect as we are!

Break for discussion groups.

Let us all be asking the Holy Spirit to show us (me) how to fulfill this biblical mandate to mentor the younger generation and how can we be teachable to receive such mentoring?

Next week: Please read Chapter 8 in Spiritual Mothering if you have it.

One thing you might do also is think through your own relationship with your own mother. What was good or perhaps lacking in it?

Lesson Seven Discussion Questions

- The two world view perspectives we discussed, what are some indicators and effects of a woman operating from the **“Me” world view small** circle? What are some effects of a woman operating from the bigger circle of a **biblical world view**? Why is it essential that there be a shared purpose (that of a desire to glorify God) in a healthy spiritual mother/ daughter relationship?
- What part or difference does having biblical humility have in this relationship? It replaces pride.
- What part or difference does a woman having a true sense of identity and security in Christ have in this relationship? It replaces possessiveness. It puts us on guard of developing unhealthy relationships.
- What part or difference does it make when gratitude and appreciation (for differences , different ages and stages , etc.) characterize this relationship? It replaces resentment, competition, and conflict.
- Overall, how can these healthy relationships of personal discipleship and nurture help make our marriages, families, and churches healthier and more reflective of Christ to the watching world?
- As just a needed warning, what are some red flags of toxic relationships?