Wednesday Devotional 04/10/24

Matthew 6:5-13

Everlasting Love By: Rev. Gerald Dunlap

We are talking about strategy in our life and prayer is the first strategy we will talk about. To understand prayer we must understand God. "Our Father who is in Heaven."

When I say that it makes me see our Father in a different way He is an everlasting God with everlasting love. "Our Father who is in Heaven."

Now think about that for a moment. God loves us with an everlasting love.

Did you ever hear anyone say, my parents told me I was a mistake? My parents didn't want to have any other children and I came along accidentally. My parents said I came at the wrong time. My parents said they were hoping for a boy or girl and got the opposite. My parents were glad I came along but only so they had someone else to work around the house.

In the olden days, they had children just to work the farm. They especially wanted boys.

Sometimes parents just don't stop and think about what they are saying and it hurts the children.

Sometimes parents act in ways they shouldn't or say things they shouldn't but don't realize how it affects their children. But the children never forget it.

Let me tell you something amazing about God. There are no mistakes or accidents or mistaken children in God's eyes. What humans see may be a mistake, but God uses every situation for His glory and His honor. What has been an accident or may have been considered mistakes to us, God uses to bring glory and honor to his name ... Listen to my favorite Psalm 139:13-17(TLP); "You made all the delicate parts of my inner body and knit them together in my mother's womb. Thank you for making me so complex! It is amazing to think about. Your workmanship is marvelous and how well I know it. You were there while I was being formed in total seclusion!

You saw me before I was born and scheduled each day of my life before I began to breathe. Every day was recorded in your book. How precious it is Lord to know that you are thinking about me constantly! I can't even count how many times a day your thoughts turn toward me. And when I awaken in the morning, you are still thinking of me!"

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