

We Vote With Our Feet Prov. 31; 2 Tim.1:5; Psalm 142; Luke 1,

As the righteous we have access to God, He listens for and to our prayers. If we are in right relationship with God He will direct our steps. If we refuse to listen to His orders we can't count on Him to uphold us, preserve us or sustain us. If we say we are the followers of Jesus Christ we can't ignore His instruction for our lives and hope it all turns out.

Right relationship is more than doing the right things; it about communication. God's word shows us where we stand. Are we listening to what He has to say? Every time we gather we have the opportunity through our worship to receive the counsel of Almighty God. It opens us up and allows God access to our hearts. These counselling sessions have already been paid for. The Psalms are therapy especially **Psalm 34, 57 and 142**. David hid out in caves when Saul was out to kill him. Some of us are hiding in caves today, afraid of the enemy, afraid of the world and what might happen. David's therapy was trust and song; he would begin to sing to the Lord. Don't worry if your not a singer, it's all about the attitude of the heart towards God. Though the enemy comes in like a flood, God will lift up a standard against him, He will be moved to action **Is. 59:19**. David walked through some very dark days but he sang of God and His faithfulness and that was his therapy. Consider the words of the songs we sing. We have reason to sing! Get them into your heart and spirit. **Ps. 42,43**- Why so downcast O my soul, put your hope in God for I will yet praise Him." That's therapy!

If we would only worship! He would be free to minister to us if we get rid of our preconceived ideas of how, when and where He can move. Sing, sing, sing! From your heart! Especially when you don't feel like it. That's when real therapy can happen! God is worthy of our praise.

God is moving and there is potential for change as we gather here from week to week, a chance for personal transformation. Sometimes our agenda gets in the way, we have places to go and people to see and so we miss an opportunity to meet with God. Are we listening for God's call to meet Him at the altar or are our plans drowning out His voice? We need to take steps; towards God, towards what He is calling us to. It's not so much what we say, but what we do that counts. May our talk and walk line up, and line up with the Word.

We can live to impress our kids or influence or impact them. Moms not only bear their children they rear them **Prov. 22:6**. Earthly moms need to be forever moms. Make it your goal that your earthly family becomes your forever family. As a mom, you may **know** Jesus Christ and things still may not work out the way you want them too when it comes to being an influence on your child's life. You have to just continue to **show** faith in Jesus. You need to continue to **grow** in the Lord for yourself so that when the time comes you will be there for your kids, to introduce them to Jesus. Through your faith and your prayers you will **blow** away the competition, the one who would seek to take your kid out of the picture.

When we get to heaven we will see where the prayers of mom carried us through. There is nothing like a mom's love. A **Prov. 31** mom is a **Fully Relying On God** woman. **V.28**. If you have a mom who is F.R.O.G. no matter what comes through your house, thank God for that. Mary, the mother of Jesus, was on top of

her game. She trusted in God even as she watched Jesus taken away and killed. All through His growing years she treasured, pondered and marvelled at the things that were said concerning Him. We honour moms who are taking steps towards God. They know God and are showing their relationship to Him. They themselves are growing in that relationship. If you have kids who don't know Jesus, I hope you're on top of your game when they come to you and need you to introduce them to Him. Don't let them find you hanging your head over some circumstance that's not to your liking. Let them find a prayer warrior, battling to blow away the enemy.