

Devotional Thoughts :: Two Mothers and Two Broken Hearts

Two Mothers and Two Broken Hearts - posted by Gwammy (), on: 2007/8/14 6:27

“Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother ...” (John 19:25) “The mother of Sisera watched through the window for his return” (Judges 5:28 TLB).

Jesus and Sisera--and two mothers whose hearts are broken ... !

These two mothers didn't know each other but their hearts were equally shattered because these were beloved sons in trouble. Mary's Son was mocked, spat upon and crucified. Sisera's mother didn't even know where her son was; she sat there by the window expecting him home at any moment, never realizing that before long her life would forever change.

Both sons were betrayed. Sisera, a Canaanite captain, was murdered by Jael who thought she was doing the Lord's work (poor God, He gets blamed for so much!). Jesus was betrayed by a kiss, the symbol of love and loyalty, and murdered by those who, again, thought they were doing the Lord's work. And so we are left with two grieving mothers who didn't know about enemies, politics, treachery and murder. All they knew was that they had sons they loved with all their hearts.

The more I thought about the juxtaposition of these two broken hearts the more I was impressed with how finally futile schemes are. In the end, beginning and middle, life comes down to mothers and fathers and children--and love and faithfulness and hope. This is the common bond among us all: love and a Father who loves us beyond measure, even to the Cross. What a pity human nature intervened on God's perfect plan for our happiness!

Re: Two Mothers and Two Broken Hearts - posted by enid, on: 2007/8/14 8:25

We do long for our children don't we?

We yearn for their salvation if they are not saved. We are concerned for their health and wellbeing etc.

And yet, they cause heartache, in one way or another. But we can't help but love them!

God wants us to be faithful to Him, as we would expect faithfulness and obedience from our own children.

Thanks for the word.

God bless.

Re: Two Mothers and Two Broken Hearts - posted by MSeaman (), on: 2007/8/14 9:43

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Judges 4:9

So she(Deborah) said, I will surely go with you; nevertheless there will be no glory for you in the journey you are taking, for the Lord will sell Sisero into the hands of a woman. Then Deborah arose and went with Barak to Kedesh.

Judges 5:24

Most blessed amongst women is Jael, the wife of Heber the Kenite. Blessed is she among women in tents.

Why do you say that Jael wasn't doing the Lord's work?

edited to say...I too completely understood the meaning of the original post and I apologize for getting off the subject. I am bringing my children up to love God, but there is no guarantee that they will make that decision to forsake all for Him. I just pray everyday and leave it in God's able hands. I am actually more concerned for my parents who are unsaved.

Re: - posted by enid, on: 2007/8/14 10:29

You know, there is nothing poor about God.

As much as the world would blaspheme and grieve Him with the way they are and loving evil and hating God, don't feel sorry for God.

Melissa is right, although it might seem like what happened to Jael might not be from God, it was.

But still, I do appreciate the original post.

God bless.