Little is Much
Acts 3:1-10
I Corinthians 1:26-29

Introduction:
A. One of the saddest things to be seen in Eastern countries is the crowding of beggars in public places and around houses of worship.
B. Peter & John were about to enter the temple to worship.
C. They were as broke as he was.
D. At the gate of the city, at the hour of prayer, let us learn of God's gift and prosperity and learn of God's care.

I. The Presence of God was with Them.
Vs.3
A. They were filled with Holy Spirit. John 16:14
B. They saw a lame man and had compassion on him.
C. Isaiah wrote: How beautiful are the feet of them that bring good tidings. Isaiah 52:7
D. See Psalm 40:1, 2

II. The Promise of God was Shared by Them. vs.4
A. This man simply asks for help
B. This man was not allowed to worship in the temple because of his illness.
C. Listen to their words: Look on me
D. Sets the stage to speak to a larger crowd.

III. The Possession of God Was Sufficient for Them. vs.6
A. This man simply asks for help.
B. Yet they were willing to share what they had.
C. Bible is filled with examples like this.
   1. Elijah & widow
   2. Man fell among thieves.
   3. Man healed by pool of Bethesda. Sick 38 years

IV. The Power of God was Upon Them. Vs.7
A. Peter took him by the hand.
B. He had been given authority and power from God. Luke 10:19
C. He was ministering to the spiritual and physical condition. II Cor. 3:6
D. I can do all things... Phil 4:13
E. Paul gave thanks to God for placing him in the ministry.
   I Tim. 1: 12

Conclusion:
A. II Cor. 12:9
B. Hearing made him whole.

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Jehoshaphat had brought revival to the land of Israel. He had removed the groves where the people had offered sacrifices to idols. He had restored the Levites to the place of spiritual leadership among the people.

It was expected that these reform would bring peace and prosperity to the land, but that was not the case.

In verse one we find that there was a coalition of nations that came against the people of Israel with the intent to take their land from them. (See also vs. 11)

Messengers came to inform Jehoshaphat of the approaching enemy and he was afraid. He responded to his fear by turning to the Lord. He proclaimed a fast and the people came from the cities of Judah to join him in seeking the Lord.

I. THE CONTENT OF HIS PRAYER

A. He acknowledged the sovereignty of God. (vs. 6, 7)
B. He recalled God's past blessings. (vs. 8)
C. He remembered the promise of God. (vs. 9)
D. He explained the cause of his fear. (vs. 10, 11)
E. He asked God to intervene while admitting their inability, ignorance, and trust in God (vs. 12)

II. GOD'S RESPONSE

A. The Spirit of the Lord came upon Jahaziel with a message of encouragement and instruction. (vs. 14)
B. He told them not to be afraid because the battle was not up to them. (vs. 15)
C. They were told to simply trust and obey. (vs. 16, 17)
D. They were assured of the Lord's presence. (vs. 17)

III. THE RESULTS

A. Jehoshaphat and the people bowed before the Lord in Humility. (vs. 18)
B. The Levites joined in with praise to the Lord. (vs. 19)
C. Jehoshaphat encouraged the people to believe what the Lord had told them, and appointed the singers to praise the Lord for the coming victory. (vs. 20, 21)
D. God caused the enemy coalition to fall apart and they destroyed each other. (vs. 22-23)
E. God gave them the victory without them lifting a hand. (vs. 24)

IV. THE LESSON

A. We may find our circumstances to be frightening at times.
B. We can turn to the Lord for help.
C. He will hear and answer our prayer.

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WHAT IS A FAMILY?

A family is a blessing.
It means so many things
Words could never really tell
The joy a family brings;

A family is mutual love.
The love of a father and mother
Showing children how to love
And care for one another, 

A family is heartfelt pride
The feeling deep and strong
That makes us glad to play a part
And know that we belong
A family is always home.  
A place where we can share  
Our joys and our sorrows  
For happiness lives there;  

A family is a bond of faith  
That even time can't sever,  

A family is a gift from God  
To last throughout our lives,  

A Family is FOREVER!  

WHO SHALL ABIDE IN THE  
TABERNACLE OF GOD?  
Psalm 15: 1 - 5  

I. LEARN FIRST TO TAKE CARE TO YOUR  
PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE  
LORD  

A. Few Words.  
1. Your personal  
relationship with The  
Lord is your most  
important ministry of all.  
2. For if you are not right  
with The Lord, nothing in  
your life will be right.  
3. Before The Lord can work  
through, He must first work  
in you.  
4. Ephesians 6: 12  
5. We not only wrestle in this  
arena, but we also wrestle  
against the sin in ones own  
life.  

B. Who Shall Abide In The  
Tabernacle Of God.  
1. First David ask a simple  
question.  
2. Then he answers his own  
question.  

C. Pray.  
1. The Bible tells us twice that  
Jesus went up into a  
mountain.  
2. Matthew 5: 1  
   a. Here He taught.  
3. Matthew 14: 23  
   a. Here He prayed.  
4. If The Lord felt the need  
to pray, so should you & I.  

D. Devotion.  
1. A time of private prayer &  
reading.  
3. Read good Christian  
literature  

E. The Bible.  
1. To be a good carpenter you  
need to know your tools.  
2. Preacher your tool, is The  
Bible.  
3. The word study is found  
three times in The Bible.  
   a. II Timothy 2: 15  
4. Study The Bible first of all
for your self.
5. Yearly Bible reader.

II. LEARN TO CARE FOR YOUR FAMILY.

A. The Pull On The Pastor.
1. God has called you to an awesome Ministry.
2. And He calls you to care for a portion of His' Flock.
3. There is a Church out there & people out there that The Lord will call you to care for.
4. They need a Man of God & you will be that man.
   a. Be open to God's leadership & guidance.
5. But there are those who need you more then any Church.
6. They are your family.

B. Lot & His Family.
1. Lot looked toward Sodom.
2. In spite of their sin he settled into that wicked city.
3. He so debased himself in Sodom that he offered his daughters to the mob.
4. Then his daughters learning from Dad & Sodom, had sex with their own Father.

C. Samuel & His Sons.
1. I Samuel 7: 15 - 8: 6
2. Samuel traveled much & in so neglected his sons.
3. He, without The Lord's approval made his sons judges.
4. The sons of Samuel were corrupt.
5. This lead to problems in Israel.
6. Which lead to a call for a king.
7. Which lead to king Saul.
8. Samuel needed to spend a little less time caring for Israel & a little more time caring for his' sons.

D. David & His Family.
1. David was the sweet psalmist of Israel.
2. But his sexual sin cost him his reputation.
   a. Matthew 1: 6
3. It cost him his authority in his family.
4. His sin cost him his family.

E. Noah & His Family.
1. Noah lost the world, but saved his family.
2. In the end, I'd say he did all right.
3. It still shocks me how little care some have parents have for the spiritual welfare of their own children.

F. You & Your Children.
1. Ephesians 6: 4
   b. Admonition = Calling attention to. Mild rebuke or warning.
2. If you do not teach your children, the sin of the
F. You & Your Wife.
1. All jobs call us away from home.
2. The Ministry maybe more so then others.
3. Getting up in the middle of the night to go to the hospital.
4. And a Pastors wife needs to know of her husbands God called responsibilities.
5. But, the Husband needs to know that his Wife needs him.
6. She is not just the Pastor's Wife, but his wife.
7. Ephesians 5: 25,28,33
8. Colossians 3: 19
   a. Love = Agape.
9. I Corinthians 9: 5

III. LEARN TO PREACH THE WORD.

A. Paul's Dying: Declaration.
1. What would you tell you children if you know you were going to die shortly.
2. II Timothy 4: 1, 2
3. In the Ministry there is much to do.
   a. One Sunday morning I counseled with a man.
   b. Then I had to go get a spider.
4. But you do not have to do it all.
5. Get others to do that which they can do, so that you can take care of the responsibilities of the Pastor.
6. Alexander Maclaren said, "I began my ministry with the determination of concentrating all my available strength on the work, the proper work of the Christian ministry, the pulpit."

B. Preach The Word.
1. Each week you will need to prepare three messages.
2. Real preaching is born of work & pray & study.
   a. Devotion.
   b. Discipline.
3. Alexander Whyte a Scottish preacher of a past generation said, "We have plenty of time for all our work did we husband our time & hoard it up aright. We cannot look seriously in one another's faces & say it is want of time. It is want of intention. It is want of determination. It is want of method. It is want of motive. It is want of conscience. It is want of heart. It is want of anything & everything but time."
4. Preach without Fear.
   a. We live in a time when sins growing
like mad, even in The Lord’s churches.
b. They need a man of wisdom who will preach to them God’s Word without fear.

5. Preach without Reservation.
a. Reservation {N} A keeping back or holding back.

6. Preach without Compromise.
a. Compromise is the greatest enemy the man of God & the Churches of God have.
b. If you are asked to give up one part of the Word of God, you will be asked to give up all of God's Word.

7. Preach with Compassion.
a. Have a tender heart for the People of God.
b. They need a Pastor that will not only Preach to them.
c. But Love them.

8. Preach with Conviction.
a. "I preached as never sure to preach again, and I preach as a dying man to dying men."

9. Preach with Wisdom.

10. Relay on The Lord.

CONCLUSION: LOOK TO YOU
RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LOOK; TAKE CARE OF YOUR FAMILY & PREACH THE WORD.

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REMEMBER AND REJOICE
Ephesians 2:11-13

Paul had explained to the Ephesians that God had given them spiritual life, saved them by His grace, and had saved them to do good works. But he also wanted them to remember just how lost they were when found them. God was constantly reminding the children of Israel to remember what they were like before He came to their aid, rescued them, and made them His children. Paul commands God's people to continually remember the dismal spiritual condition that they once were in as pagan Gentiles, to understand what He saved them from.

1. HOSTILITY Ephesians 2:11- The Apostle Paul wanted the Ephesians to remember that in the flesh they were Gentiles. A people united by race or culture, kinship or common traditions. They were not Jews; they were not God's chosen people. There was also hatred between Jews and Gentiles.

- God wanted them the Ephesian Church members to remember.
  The word remember in the Greek was an imperative which meant that God commanded them "don't forget this", keep these things on your mind. Remembering should lead us to respond in gratefulness and obedience.

1. The level of Hostility that existed between them.

A. The gentiles were called "Uncircumcised" this meant those who had not received the mark of the covenant that God had made with His people Israel. When a Jew called a Gentile "uncircumcised", 259-12
it was an insult. Gentiles were considered dogs. Remember that David called Goliath an uncircumcised Philistine. It was one of the lowest insults that one could receive was to be called uncircumcised.

B. The Circumcision, is what the Jews called themselves.-The circumcision was a blessing and privilege. God had chosen Israel to be his people even though they were rebellious and stubborn. They were supposed to be a light to the gentiles, to bring them to God. However they had lost their focus and were hostile towards Gentiles and treated them with contempt. They considered their circumcision a sign of superiority and the uncircumcision inferiority.

2. HELPLESSNESS - Ephesians 2:11, 13
The Ephesians were without Christ - "separate or separated from Christ" because of their sins; having no part in Him; far from Him. Christ was not present with them, or in them. Before the gospel came to Ephesus, these Gentiles had not heard the name of Jesus. They had no idea how to have their sins forgiven and be reconciled to God. Therefore they worshiped idol god's practiced magic, because they did not know Christ.

Godless-The Gentile world were the original atheists. An Atheist is a person who does not believe in God. Sadly they faced the results of being without God- to counsel, befriend, guide, bless, and save them. In this sense they were godless, having no one to cry to, to trust in, to love, praise, and serve; whereas Jehovah, in His glory, unity, spirituality, condescension, wisdom, power, and grace, was ever present to the thinking.

3. HOMELESSNESS- Ephesians 2:12 - The word "excluded" means "aliens from God. The Gentiles were aliens, or those who did not belong. They were "alienated from," not merely "separated from" God. They also had no right to enjoy the privileges that went with being a covenant people. The problem with the Gentiles was not that God had abandoned them, but instead that they had abandoned the true and living God, Romans 1:18-21.

4. HOPELESSNESS - Ephesians 2:12 They had nothing to hope for. Hope is defined as a desire for some future good with the expectation of obtaining it. Hope is confident expectancy. If there is no hope, all is lost. Without hope there is nothing. All of these aspects of Biblical "hope" were something the pagan Gentiles sorely lack. It also means hope beyond this life, 1 Corinthians 15:19. Do
you have real hope in Christ, 
that He will give us life after 
death?

5. REJOICE- Ephesians 2:13 -The 
earlier verses describe our past-
"we were formerly like that. But 
now everything has changed. 
We are friends with the Jews 
and we have reconciled with 
God. How did this happen? It was 
through the blood of Jesus Christ 
Hebrews 10:10,14.

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Eve--Mother of All Living 
Genesis 3:20

INTRODUCTION: Woman, like man, was 
created by God for a specific purpose. 
She has a definite role, therefore, in 
God's plan. Though she led the way for 
the fall of mankind, she was not 
accountable for it. Consequently, she 
could participate in God's redemptive 
plan.

1. HER CREATION (Genesis 2: 18-24).
   A. The reason for it: to complement 
      man (he had no "help meet").
   B. The manner of it.
      1. During Adam's 
         unconsciousness (he slept the 
         sleep of death).
      2. From Adam's side (he 
         possessed both male and female 
         qualities).
   C. The result of it: Woman (Hebrew, 
      "isha"; meaning "female man").

II. HER FALL (Genesis 3).
   A. The basic facts in it.
      1. She was the object of Satan's 
         assault 1 Timothy 2:14; 
         women are more impressionable 
         than men, I Peter 3:7.
      2. She was the reason for Adam's 
         sin (he sinned willfully and 
         knowingly to share Eve's state 
         of death).
   B. The tragic result of it.
      1. She was introduced to constant 
         sorrow and suffering (Genesis 3: 
         16).
      2. She was reminded of her 
         submission to Adam (Genesis 3: 
         16; I Timothy 2: 13).
   C. The lone hope in it: motherhood 
      (Genesis 3: 16; I Timothy 2: 15).
      1. She was promised a conquering 
         "Seed."
      2. She was figurative of all mothers 
         (womanhood is "saved" through 
         Child-bearing).

III. HER NAME (Genesis 3:20).
   A. "Eve" is the feminine form of the 
      Hebrew word for "life."
   B. Adam's hope in a corning 
      Redeemer was expressed in her 
      name (her Seed would be the life-
      giver).

IV. HER CHILDREN.
   A. There were many in number 
      (Genesis 5:4).
   B. There were three of importance. 
      1. Cain (his name meant
"acquisition," Genesis 4: 1).

2. Abel (his name meant "transitory"; he typified the man of God whose earthly sojourn is brief, Genesis 4:2; cf. Hebrews 13: 14).

3. Seth (his name meant "established"; the blood-line was renewed, Genesis 4:25).

V. HER SIGNIFICANCE

A. She exemplified all women.
B. She exemplified all mothers.
C. She exemplified the church.
   1. As Adam "died" for her, even so did Christ die for the Church (Acts 20:28; Ephesians 5:25).
   2. As shew was Adam's wife, even so shall the church be Christ's bride (Ephesians 5:32).

D. Charles Lindberg, the first man to fly across the Atlantic Ocean was often told by his mother, "Charles, can't you do anything by yourself!"

E. Neil Armstrong walked on the moon, yet, his mother often said, "Neil has no more business taking flying lessons than the man in the moon."

F. The mother of one of our Presidents was asked, "You must be proud of your son." "She said," "Which one?"

G. All the greatness and goodness in this world is Traced Back to God and godly Mothers.

H. All societies' problems today, especially disrespect and immorality, can be Traced back to the Home & Mama and Daddy.

I. Yet, Solomon's mother, Bathsheba, teaches us what a Good Woman is like.

I. Her Abilities

A. She is Valuable, "Virtuous."
   "Chayil," in the original language means SUBSTANCE.

B. When she speaks there is substance, not meaningless, empty words.

C. She is careful How and When she speaks, and respects God, His House, her husband, and His Elders.

D. She gives Good Counsel to her children and grandchildren.

E. Proverbs 31 was written by, the king, Lemuel.

F. Bible scholars note that this was
Solomon’s nickname given to him by his mother, Bathsheba.

G. Notice, this godly mother did not tell Solomon to get rich or establish fame beyond other men.

H. Rather, she told Solomon that you have an opportunity to do so much GOOD.

I. Bathsheba requested that Lemuel, (Solomon), her son, Judge Righteously.

J. Solomon could have asked many things from God, but he asked Only for WISDOM TO LEAD GOD’S PEOPLE.

K. God gave Solomon both Wisdom and Great Wealth.

L. Bathsheba told her son to Plead The Cause of the Poor and Needy.

M. Mother’s, Grandmother’s, are you teaching your kiddos to waste their time chasing Hollywood, Entertainment, Pageants, or Wealth?

N. Bathsheba gave Good Counsel to her children. What counsel are you giving to yours????

O. The Virtuous Woman gives Respect, Honour, and Pride to her husband.

P. Our world is Liberated from God’s Word. You see it in their evil ways and lifestyles.

Q. God’s people are not. And you can see it in their ways, Speech, and lifestyle.

R. The Virtuous Woman Protects the Heart of her husband. "The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her •••”

S. "She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life."

II. Her Assets

A. The Virtuous Woman has many good qualities, and willingness to work for her family, her husband, Jesus Christ and His Local Church, are just a few, (vs. 13-22).

B. The Virtuous Woman is careful not to embarrass God, Jesus Christ, her husband, children, or herself.

C. That old saying is still true, "A mother’s work is never done."

D. The Virtuous Woman Of God is a helper, NOT A COMMANDER!!

III. Her Appearance

A. (V s. 25), "Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come."

B. She doesn't go along with this sinful world in Thinking or revealing or immodest clothing.

C. Nor does she Walk, Talk, Dress, or Seek the eyes of other men.

D. Godly Women defend the helpless, especially the Killing of a helpless unborn baby that can't defend his or herself!!!!!!

E. The Virtuous Woman or Wife, or Mother, or Grandmother asks the LORD for STRENGTH to do the HONOURABLE things that God Almighty has Entrusted her to do!!!!!!!!!

Conclusion: Let us review the Abilities, the Assets, and Appearance
of God’s Virtuous Women found in His Holy Bible, (Proverbs 31:25-31):

A. "Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come.
B. She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and her tongue is the law of kindness.
C. She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness.
D. Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and praiseth her.
E. Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all.
F. Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised.
G. Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates."
H. Because a godly Virtuous Woman is known by all who know her, even the Leaders in the City Gates of Authority where she lives.
I. God, thru Solomon or (Lemuel) his mother's nickname for him, Praises all Virtuous Women and Mothers for their Bible: Abilities, Assets, and Appearance who Honour and Respect God’s Will.

Dr. Edward L. Davis

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Pastor Carl Fitzgerald

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