

FAMILY TALK

1. Parking

- Let us be considerate of the businesses in the mall and those who are visiting, by leaving them space.

2. Cleanliness

- Please continue to clean up after yourselves, and if you see a mess, just clean it up!

3. Consideration

- If you come in late, and the worship service has started, refrain from interrupting the worshippers.

4. Worship

- During the Worship Time, please do not interrupt people who are worshipping, even to give them a 'word'. Wait until they have finished worshipping.

5. Chores

- Do what is in your hand to do, whether it seems above or below your 'calling'.

6. Welcome Others

- Approach new faces first and welcome them, afterward visit with you friends or the Pastors.

7. Communicating With Pastors

- If you have something important to share with one of the Pastors, please communicate by phone message, e-mail or note.

8. Prophetic Teams

- Take advantage of the prophetic teams, but please do not over-use them, once a month is a good maximum, unless there is a special need.

MOTHERS DAY 2007

Boldness, Newness And Family Talk

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BOLDNESS

- Acts 4:29, NIV – “*Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness.*”

1. Two Faced Meaning Of Boldness

- Positive: courage, bravery, confidence, assurance, forwardness
- Negative: rudeness, impudence, over stepping of bounds, presumptuous

2. Examples (Of No-No's)

- Turning up our Christian CD to bold new levels
- Witnessing with such intensity that we spit in peoples faces
- Pushing our opinions or ways on unreceptive people

3. Thayer's Definition Of "Boldness"

- To use freedom in speaking, be free spoken, to speak freely
- To grow confident, have boldness, show assurance, assume a bold bearing

4. Kingdom Boldness

- Is walking in confidence, sure and certain that you know the Fathers voice, and what the King wants
- Acting in peaceful obedience
- “Come boldly before the throne ...” – Hebrews 4:16

5. With Boldness – You Can ...

- You can step into the New things God has for You, whatever these opportunities, changes or challenges are.
- It is knowing who you are, and Who you belong to.

NEWNESS

- ❑ “The biblical story invites us to embrace a future and a newness that does not arise from what has already been and is not the result of some effort of our own. The ruling story of the world, by contrast, insists that all we can hope for is to rearrange the pieces that we already have. Genuine newness is neither a rearranging of what is, nor a different way of coping with what cannot be changed. Such efforts are like those New Year’s resolutions that result in hopeless frustration and a return to what was. The newness that gives hope is born of a readiness to allow God to do a new thing, which can only be imagined. Genuine newness is born of a God who has a future and whose future is not separate from the future of every human being and all of creation.” - Garth Mundle, United Church of Canada, Mission and Services Bulletin

1. Thayers Definition Of “New”

- ❑ In respect to form (things): “recently made, fresh, recent, unused, unworn”
- ❑ In respect to substance (us): “of a new kind, unprecedented, novel, uncommon, unheard of”
- ❑ Romans 12:2, NIV – “Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is -- his good, pleasing and perfect will.”
- ❑ 2 Corinthians 5:17, NIV – “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!”
- ❑ Romans 6:4, NIV – “We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.”
- ❑ Romans 7:6, NIV – “But now, by dying to what once bound us, we have been released from the law so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit, and not in the old way of the written code.”

- ❑ Ephesians 4:22-24, NIV – “You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires to be made new in the attitude of your minds and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.”

2. Newness

- ❑ What am I just rearranging and settling for the world’s solution, that I could actually be walking out in a New way?

BACK TO BOLDNESS

1. Personal Examples Of Boldness

- ❑ Hebrews 10:19, NIV – “Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence (boldness) to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus.”

2. Boldness

- ❑ The Father’s Love ... The Son’s Rule ... The Spirit’s Presence
- ❑ Boldness is an application of our core values
- ❑ Demonstrating the Father’s Love
- ❑ The Spirit’s Presence with us talks to us of the Father’s Heart and gives us His inspiration and direction
- ❑ And this is made available to us by the Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ, which empowers us