

Roving Revelations

By Damaris Molina

This month we will be celebrating Mothers Day. I asked some Ladies to give me their thoughts on "Motherhood." Here is what they revealed to me.

When I think of the word Motherhood, I think of hard work, great responsibility, and an ongoing life lesson. I never realized how much work Motherhood entailed. I'm not just talking about the late night feedings or driving to and from their activities. I'm talking about the kind of hard work that involves making sure you are the prime example of a Christian parent. I've realized that everything I do as a Christian will affect my child's view of Motherhood. When I think Motherhood, I think of it as God's way of putting me in check. When I find myself slipping, He reminds me that he blessed me with a daughter so that I could teach her his truth, and be an example of His Son's love to her; that's a great responsibility and an ongoing life lesson for me.

Nancy Sanchez

I was a very young mother, 21 when Tatum, my oldest was born. I didn't know any better at the time. I was 3 months pregnant with my second child on Tatum's 1st Birthday! Anyway I had 4 kids in 6 years! YIKES. What was I thinking? I know this much, I don't regret ANY of it. Motherhood has been my greatest joy....And my greatest pain. The sleepless nights when they are little, and the sleepless nights now that they are teenagers. I think I've lost YEARS off of my life just worrying about my kids. Motherhood has kept me praying HARD. Kept me close to the Lord, given me patience with other mothers, knowing what a tough job it is. Motherhood has taught me how much God loves me, because of how much I love my kids. I've also had to call MY mom, to say "IM sorry for being a bratty kid." Here's to "US" moms!!!!

Julie Phillips

Motherhood is a gift. After struggling to conceive many years to hold my child in my arms is a gift, a miracle.

Leah Chun

When I think of Motherhood, I think of REWARDING! Being a mother is so mentally challenging but yet, it has its rewards. The enjoyment that I'm experiencing with Jaylen is priceless, especially now that he's 3 months old, he's starting to coo, talk, giggle, laugh, and play more often. I love the interaction with him and the joy of giving him the unconditional love and attention he deserves every single day. I never knew that a love like this existed until I had him. The first month was very stressful and emotional but I think as soon as that phase passed, it's been all fun and joyous! I wouldn't trade this blessing from above for anything else in the world!

Lbyn Hayden

Eileen's 7 Steps of Motherhood

- 1. We don't have to be perfect*
- 2. Remember tomorrow is a new day*
- 3. Try to look at raising children as an adventure*
- 4. A good sense of humor is helpful*
- 5. If you are wrong, ask your child for forgiveness. (It teaches them it is ok to make mistakes.)*
- 6. Give lots of love, hugs, kisses and some discipline.*
- 7. Don't forget to pray a lot!*

Eileen Deardorf

Motherhood! Oh, my! With the first child, you try too hard. With the second child, you loosen up and the first child says, "Hey, wait a minute. You never let ME do that!" I remember when I struggled with my first child and fell to my knees and said to God, "So is THIS what You have to put up with?" God is the perfect parent and He still has problems.

Irene Trapp

So you see, whether we are a step mom, foster mom, a new mom or a Grandmom we all experience the struggles that come with Motherhood and appreciate the blessings that God gives us in the form of children!