

THE BROOKSVILLE BULLETIN

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A Successful Dad (Author Unknown)

I may never come to glory; I may never gather gold; Men may count me as a failure When my business life is told;

But if he who follows after Shall be manly, I'll be glad, For I'll know I've been successful As a little fellow's Dad.

It's the one job I dream of,

It's the task I think of most; If I'd fail that growing youngster I'd have nothing else to boast; For though wealth and fame I'd gather All my future would be sad If I failed to be successful As that little fellow's Dad.

I may never be as clever As my neighbor down the street; I may never be as wealthy As some other men I meet; I may never have the glory That some other men have had;



But I've got to be successful As that little fellow's Dad

There are certain dreams I cherish That I'd like to see come true; There are things I would accomplish Ere my working time is through;

But the task my heart is set on Is to guide a little lad; And to make myself successful As That little fellow's Dad.

Father (Selected)

- 4 years My daddy can do anything
- 7 years My dad knows a lot, a whole lot
- 8 years My father doesn't quite know everything
- 12 years Oh well, naturally father doesn't know everything
- 14 years Father? Hopelessly old-fashioned.
- 21 years Oh that man is out of date. What did you expect?

- 25 years He knows a little bit about it, but not much.
- 30 years Must find out what dad thinks about it.
- 35 years A little patience, let's get Dad's meaning first.
- 50 years What would Dad have thought about it?
- 60 years My dad knew literally everything
- 65 years I wish I could talk it over with Dad once more.

A Father's Prayer (General Douglas MacArthur)

Build me a son, O Lord, who will be strong enough to know when he is weak and brave enough to face himself when he is afraid; one who will be proud and unbending in honest defeat and humble and gentle in victory.

Build me a son whose wishbone will not be where his backbone should be; a son who will know Thee – and that to know himself is the foundation stone of knowledge.

Lead him, I pray, not in the path of ease and comfort but under the stress and spur of difficulties and challenges. Here let him learn to stand up in the storm; here let him learn compassion for those who fail.

Build me a son whose heart will be clear, whose goal will be high; a son who will master himself before he seeks to master other men; one who will learn to laugh yet never forget how to weep; one who will reach into the future, yet never forget the past.

And after all these things are his, add, I pray, enough of a sense of humor so that he may always be serious, yet never take himself too seriously. Give him humility so that he may always remember the simplicity of true greatness, the open mind of true wisdom, and the meekness of true strength.

Then, I, his father, will dare to whisper, "I have not lived in vain."

And you fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord. Ephesians 6:4.

I Am The Bible (Selected)

I am the Bible, God's wonderful library. I am always – and above all – the truth. To the weary pilgrim, I am a strong staff. To the one who sits in darkness, I am glorious light. To those who stumble beneath heavy burdens, I am sweet rest. To him who has lost his way, I am a safe guide. To those who are sick in sin, I am healing strength and forgiveness. To the discouraged, I am a glad message of hope. To those who are distressed and tossed about by the storms of life, I am an anchor, sure and steady. To those who search for salvation, I reveal the Savior of the world. I am the Bible – God's holy word.

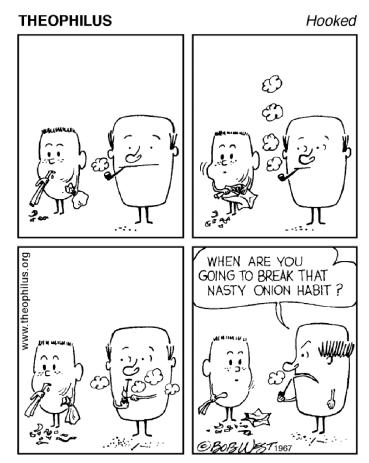
You Preach First (Selected)

The first sermon preached each Sunday is not by the minister but by you. You preach a message of good cheer when you say "good morning" to those you meet as you are parking, in the hallway, and in classrooms.

You preach a message of welcome! We have room for you when you slide over in the pew instead of forcing others to squeeze in front of you. You preach a message of hope and joy when you enthusiastically sing during the song service.

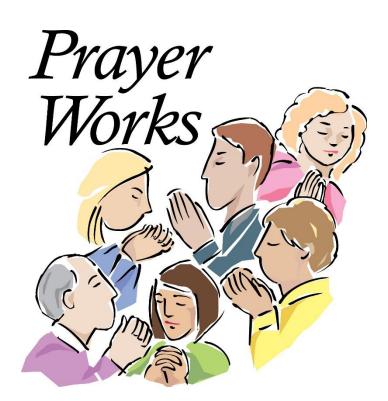
You preach a message about the power of prayer when you fervently enter into our time of prayer together. You preach a message about respect when you listen attentively while the sermon of the assembly is being presented.

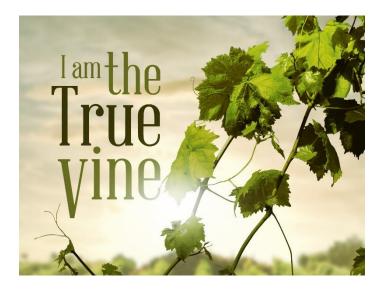
You preach a message about the importance of the Scriptures when you open a Bible to the text of the day. You preach a message of



love when you smile, say hello and introduce yourself to visitors.

You preach a message about faith when you give of your means in the contribution. You preach a message of devotion when you attend the services of the church. Many messages are preached before the minister stands up to bring his message. If your message is positive and consistent, then the message given from the pulpit will be much better received.





Sketches (Dee Bowman)

Life is not so much about what you get out of it but what you give in it.

This life is not the end of matters. Man tends toward eternity. However, it is in this life, and how it is lived that determines each man's eternal state. When this thing we call "life" is ended, man – each man – is propelled into eternity.

Each man will spend eternity in one of two places – heaven, a place of unceasing bliss, or in hell, a place of horrible, never-ending torment. The joys of heaven are elegantly described in Scripture so as to entice us toward it. The horrors of hell are as sure as are the joys of heaven and are graphically depicted in terms and figures intended to keep us far away from it.

It thereby becomes an important question to ask: Where will you spend eternity?



- If you don't live it, you don't believe it.
- ✓ You teach little by what you say, but you teach most by what you are.

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Sunday Bible Class for all ages (10:00am) Sunday Worship all Welcome (11:00am & 6:00pm) Wednesday Bible Class for all ages (7:00pm)

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