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Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee. **Psalms**

that it may be displayed because of the truth. 60:4

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As we express our happiness and heartfelt appreciation for all life's abundant treasures, and each of our many joys...let's remember the meaning and spirit that our forefathers gave to Thanksgiving, and their message of love and respect, warmth and sharing. Happy holiday.

"Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Ephesians 5:20)

"And whatsoever ye do in the word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him" (Colossians 3:17).

MY EXPERIENCES IN JAPAN

AND MISSIONS

REST FOR THE WEARY

By J. H. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee

"Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls." Matthew 11:28, 29.

We are living in a restless age when very few people seem to be content with their lot in life; but it is no mystery that such is the case, when they leave God out of everything. The restless are seeking relief, but it is evident that they don't find it, because their search is to the wrong source. God has made man with a nature of such that he can't be at rest without Him. Though the man searches and tries to find peace and rest in the pursuit of worldly pleasures, his search is all in vain. When he has tried all of this he is still a miserable unhappy creature.

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Jerusalem, standing high amidst the poor Judean hills, has been crowned as queen of the world's cities for 30 centuries. Blessed with nothing material, it was chosen by God to be the bulwark of monotheism. From its barren hills, the philosophers, the prophets and Christ launched the eternal laws of moral and brotherly love. From its ground spread the flames of faiths which established the rule of justice and religious beliefs between people blinded by error and idolatry. "For out of Zion shall go forth the Law and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem." - Jerusalem as seen from the Mount of Olives

Raymond L. (Sonny) Callis Nashville, Tennessee (EDITOR'S NOTE: Due to space, this article will continue in the next issue, and will deal with the subject of missions among true Missionary Baptists. Be sure to read and study these two articles together.) Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I would like to share a very pleasant experience and a burden with you. It started in 1956 while I was in the Navy. January 5 I was to board the aircraft carrier, USS Princeton, on a eight-month tour to the Far East. I had told my family and friends before I left that if I set my feet on Japanese soil, I would like to visit our missionaries there. On my last furlough to Nashville before our departure date, I learned that Brother Henry Smith and, his wife were

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Once again I would like to print some of the very encouraging letters that we receive from our subscribers across the country. We trust to do so if we are able to enlarge this publication in the future. However, we do wish to express our gratitude and appreciation from our recent letter writers from Tennessee, Michigan, Oklahoma, West Virginia, Oregon, Kentucky, Missouri, Indiana and Ohio.

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REST FOR THE WEARY

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Jesus looked upon many sad and unhappy people, and His great heart was moved, and He had compassion on them...One such scene is found in Mark 6:34, "And Jesus, when He came out, saw much people, and was moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd; and He began to teach them many things." These were wayward people, they were as sheep without a shepherd; and it is to all such people that Jesus invites to come to Him. There is no other to come to for the satisfaction of the soul. He is the Way, the Truth and the life, and no man can come to the Father but by Him. John 14:6.

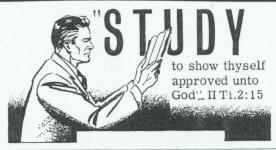
Men can think of many excuses for not accepting the Lord's invitation. There were excuses offered in Jesus' day that are still common in our day. Jesus spoke a parable about a man who made a great supper and sent his servants out to invite men to come and partake of his supper, but they began to make excuses; and here they are: "And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him. I have bought a piece of ground, and must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come." Luke 14:16-20. I believe this parable illustrates God's preparation for man's salvation, and His broad invitation for all to come and enjoy His feast for the soul. But so many will turn this welcome down, or put it off till some other time.

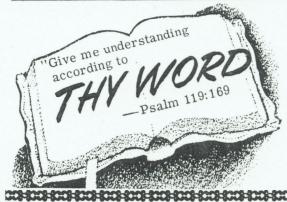
AND YE SHALL FIND REST Jesus Christ in His human form became weary and heavy laden Himself. We have an account where He was weary with His journey and sat down to rest, "Being wearied with His journey, sat thus on the well" John 4:6; The Bible tells us also that He was a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief, Isaiah 53:3. But at the same time He could, and can, give rest to the souls of men. This is a paradox, what might seem to be a contradiction, but is in fact the truth.

Notice, if you will, to whom Jesus extends His invitation, "All ye that labor and are heavy laden." The healthy and the wealthy, for the most part, ignored His offer; but the outcast, the poor and destitute, the suffering, the sick and the afflicted, the publicans and the harlots gladly heard Him. The upper class, the scribes and Pharisees, at one time murmured against his desciples, saying, "Why do ye eat and drink with publicans and sinners"? "And Jesus answering said unto them, They that are whole need not a physician, but thy that are sick." Luke 5:30, 31. The great Physician was before them, but He only gave the cure to those who felt the need of it. The self-righteous, the scribes and Pharisees, and all self-righteous, are in need of that healing of the soul too, but such do not feel the need of it. and therefore, they do not get it.

What a glorious promise that Jesus gave to those who would come to Him! "And I will give you rest." Most people will use every means available to them to get relief from their physical ills, but there are so many who go through life

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Experiences In Japan

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in from Japan for a visit. I contacted Brother Smith and he wrote me a detailed letter of instructions on how to get to Brother J. Frank Carr's house in Yamaguchi, Japan.

We left the States and spent some time in Hawaii. On February 4, our ship was just off the Japanese coast headed to Tokyo Bay. All our planes flew off the ship and I was aboard one of them. We flew South to a World War II Kamikaze base called Iwakuni (now a Naval Air Station). It is about 20 miles from Hiroshima where Brother and Sister Smith lived and Koi Baptist Church. In the other direction, about 70 miles, was where Brother Carr lived and Yamaguchi Baptist Church.

On Monday, February 6, I took a train to Ogori, then by bus into the mountains to Yamaguchi (which means mouth of the mountains). I told the driver, "Do So Cho Station". As instructed by Brother Smith, I got off the bus and stood there as the bus pulled away. Instructions said to look across the street and there is a big orange odd-looking thing. That was a public mailbox. Next to it was a small fruit stand. Facing it, and to my left, the next door was Brother Carr's house. When I knocked on the door an elderly lady appeared. She was Brother Carr's housekeeper, Iwasake San. She couldn't speak English, so she turned and called someone from another room and this was Brother Koji Tajima. At that time he was a very young preacher, about eighteen years old. He told me Brother Carr was gone but would be back in the afternoon and asked me to come in. When Brother Carr returned, I introduced myself and told him who I was and that my wife was saved under his preaching at River Road Missionary Baptist Church (west of Nashville). I had a very enjoyable visit and went back several times.

Because Brother Smith was in the States at that time, Brother Carr would go to Koi Baptist Church on Sunday and Brother Tajima would go the next Sunday. On the Sundays I couldn't go to Yamaguchi, I would take the train to Hiroshima and meet one or the other at Koi Baptist Church. I told Bro. Carr we were leaving Iwakuni Naval Air Station and were going back to Tokyo and then back aboard ship. He told me to go by and see Brother John R. Blaylock and family, another missionary at Yokohama. I went back aboard our ship which was in the Tokyo-Yokohama Bay. I visited Brother Blaylock and on Sunday afternoon Brother Blaylock and his family and all the Sunday School children were going to a park for a picnic. I bought a box of candy bars at the P.X. and went with them. We all had a very enjoyable time.

Our ship left and we went to Okinawa, Philippines, Hong Kong, and Formosa. On May 10, we went into the Imperial Sea of Japan and docked at Kure, Japan, about 25 miles from Hiroshima. Sunday, May

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ORDINATION

By Darrell E. Hicks Greenwood, Indiana

Bro. Kenneth Stapleton was ordained to the full-work of the ministry by Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio on Saturday, August 14, 1982. Services began at 10:00 A.M. Churches from six states were represented in the presbytery by 9 ministers and 12 deacons.

Elder Charles Stapleton, father of the candidate and pastor of Bethel church, served as moderator of the presbytery. Elder Darrell E. Hicks served as clerk. The ordination sermon was delivered by Elder Jerry A. Reynolds. The candidate was presented by Deacon Estel Carter which was followed by the interrogation led by Elder Calvin Perrigo. Elder Ron Galloway led the ordaining prayer. After the "laying on of hands" Elder Don McDonald gave the charge to the church and the charge to the newly ordained brother was given by Elder D. C. Barton. The Bible was presented by Elder Richard Huskins.

The entire ordination was harmonious and conducted on a high spiritual plane. Lunch was served by the sisters of the church.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: I have received notice from Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich. that Elder Stapleton has been called to the

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pastorate of that church. That he has begun his work already and will soon be moving to Dctroit.)

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Mrs. Grace Galloway - порононононононононо NOTICE

Elder Raymond Hargis, pastor of Landmark Missionary Baptist Church, Yale Rd. (Bartlett Community) Memphis, Tenn., has requested that anyone having friends or relatives living in the Memphis area, to please contact him that he may then contact those individuals.

This church represents annually in the Southwestern District Baptist Association. You may contact this pastor by calling or writing: Elder Raymond Hargis, 3099 Ingleside, Bartlett, TN 38134; Phone: (901) 388-7854.

OLD FASHION GOSPEL HOUR Financial Report - September 30, 1982

Contributions Expenses \$2,209.53 July July \$1,802.40 1,542.55 August August 1,383.75 September 1,095.37 September 1,378.31 \$4,847.45 \$4,564.46

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CATV-9 Huntsville, Ala	552	50
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Cable, Group W. Inc T.V., Los Angeles, Cali	f230.	00
Hartsville Printing-100 envelopes & financial s		
*Powell & Meadors Insurance	151.	00
*Middle Tennessee Electric		
Miscellaneous items	30.	14
Elder Bob Pitt-phone & travel expenses	365.	40
Postage	40.	00
Sainte T.V. Channel #19 Modesto, Calif	1,190.	00
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Technical Industries-repairs & tapes	392.	97
*Tennessee Telephone Co		
*West Wilson Water District	19.	80
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Total Expenses......\$4,564.46 *Expenses for Rutland Church

No report being mailed to churches in order to save our funds. Any brother or sister may at any time feel free to inspect our records. Elder Bob Pitt

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SISTER **GALLOWAY** CELEBRATES 90th **BIRTHDAY**

Grace Galloway. Sister Bowling Green, Ky. celebrated her 90th birthday on Saturday, July 17. However, her birthday was the following day July 18. She was born July 18, 1892 the daughter of T. E. and Jane Meador in Macon County, Tennessee, but her parents moved to Kentucky when she was six weeks old. She had two brothers, both are deceased.

She was saved in October, 1904 and was baptized that same month into the fellowship of Old Union Missionary Baptist Church in Warren County, Kentucky by Elder Tobias J. Ham, who served the church as pastor 1900 - 1908. Sister Galloway is the oldest living member of the Old Union Baptist church, having been a member for 78 years.

She was married to Charlie T. Galloway on October 7, 1915. To this union were born two sons and three daughters; Claude Galloway (deceased); Stanley Galloway (deceased); Marie G. Raines (deceased); Hazel G. Stringer, Franklin, Ky. and Flo Winnecke, Indiana. She has 19 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Sister Galloway raised her family in Simpson County, Kentucky but moved to Warren County later. She taught school five years in Simpson and Warren County systems. She also taught Sunday School at Old Union Baptist Church for 16 years.

The celebration of her 90th birthday was held at the Bowling Green Towers in Bowling Green, Kentucky where she resides. She enjoyed a great day with relatives, neighbors and friends. It was the happy privilege of the editor of the Baptist Banner to serve as her pastor for nearly 18 years. She and her family were devout supporters of the church and its pastor. We trust "Miss Grace" as she is known to all who know her, will have many more years to live and inspire those with whom she fellowships.



BOOK REPUBLISHED

The book, "What True Baptists Believe" written in 1958 by Elder H. C. Vanderpool, is being republished. This is the third publication. Due to donations and purchases by ministers and churches, about 700 of the new copies are already sold. Most are to be distributed free by those buying them as a means of mission work. They are being distributed nationally.

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13, I went to Koi Baptist Church and Brother Tajima was there. We spent the afternoon with him showing me around Hiroshima. We visited the site of the Industrial Promotion Hall, once a stately building serving as the nerve center for the development of industries in Hiroshima. The first atomic bomb exploded 570 meters above it on August 6, 1945.

We left Kure, Japan, and were at sea once more. On June 5. our ship docked in the seaport of Sasebo, the southernmost island of Japan. I took a first-day leave and about a 150 mile trip north to Yamaguchi by train. The train goes under the sea by a tunnel which connects the southern island of Kyushu to the main island of Honshu where Brother Carr lives. During this visit Brother Carr was working on a building to establish a mission in the city of Hofu about 20 miles from Yamaguchi. We would get up in the mornings and the housekeeper, Sister Iwasaki, would pack us a lunch called an obinto. We would ride his motor scooter to Hofu. He had rented a house for a mission which needed some repair. He hired two carpenters to do the work and we helped them. This was to be my last visit before returning to the States.

Iwasaki San prepared a large meal the day I left. We all sat at the table and tried to talk and eat, but our hearts were so heavy. Finally, Iwasaki San said in Japanese, "If I never see you again on this earth, I'll meet you in Heaven." We all broke down. Brother Tajima said he would like for me when I got out of the service to take a vacation and bring my wife back to Japan for a visit. Brother Carr rode the bus with me to Ogori to catch the train. Even on the bus, we could hardly talk to each

Our ship returned to Tokyo Bay for the last time. I visited Brother Blaylock and family. We said our farewells and I left Japan for the States.

As most of you know, brother Tajima was here in Middle Tennessee during part of May and June. The night he was to preach at Hartsville Missionary Baptist Church I went to hear him. He and I had a joyous reunion. We talked and he said he had a heavy burden for the countries around Japan. He had been to Korea several times and had held mission meetings and saw a very great need there. He talked to me about Vietnam, Thailand, and Indonesia. He said he was planning on doing some missionary work there too. As some of you may not know, he is pastoring two churches in Japan now. He is living in Hiroshima and on Saturday mornings he takes the train about 90 miles to Yamaguchi and holds services at Yamaguchi Baptist Church on Saturday night. Then he returns to Hiroshima for services on Sunday.

I feel we are not doing enough in Japan. I read last week where there are about 118 million people in Japan. Brother Tajima said there were 10 members at Yamaguchi and 22 at Koi. I know that it is an extremely difficult field. Buddhism is a very strong factor in their history, culture and everyday life.

think we need more I missionary zeal in both foreign missions and in home missions. We should be more prayerful that those laden with burdens in missionary work will follow the Lord and do His will. We, as Old-Time Baptists should be prayerful and should give support to those missionaries who are laboring in the field, both at home and abroad, with the hope of widening these fields with the gospel.

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GOLD STAR FATHER



B. S. Matthews

I was born Nov. 10, 1898 in the second district of Smith County in the Ash Hopper Hollow in a one room log house. My parents were John and Nannie Davis Matthews. My Mother died when I was three years old. When I was four, my brother took my youngest sister and me into his home. My first rememberance, we lived on the Powell farm in McClure's Bend. My first school was at Robinson School House where I was taught by Arthur Hearn. In 1907 we moved to what was then known as the Lisa Garrett farm which my two brothers bought for \$300.00. I lived there until I was seventeen years old, then I moved to Woodard Town. Most of my school days were spent at the Elbow and Turkey Creek Schools. Some of my teachers were: Leon Matthews, Orvil Maggart, Bub Carver and Ruth Smith. We boys used to spend lots of time watching the rafts and steamboats running up and down the Cumberland River. I walked to school through rain, snow and mud...for two and a half miles. I have lived to see the passing of all of my school mates except two and they are Eunice Wright Robinson and Deltha Smith Kittrell.

On Nov. 7, 1915 I was married to Vedie Holliman. To us was born four children: Virginia (now Mrs. J. B. Smith), Clinton, Nellie Ruth and Wilmadeen. I enjoyed my married life although Virginia is my only surviving child. I am now married to Altha West Smith.

I was born into God's family when I was a teenage boy. "I can tell you the time; I can take you to the place, where the Lord saved me by His wonderful Grace."

I joined Cornwell's Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in 1916. I was baptized by Bro. George Ramsey and was or-

dained as a deacon some years later. I have tried to fulfil this office as best I could. Back in the days when I was first saved and joined the church, you could hear men singing and whistling as they would be going to and from work. But this stopped when World War I was declared. I registered for that war, but after being examined by Dr. Bridges, I was turned down for service. One of my brothers and two brothers-inlaw were called into service. and at the time I thought nothing could be much worse. But years later I found out they could be.

But I received so many blessings. Back before World War II, I would be plowing corn back on the hill over a mile from anyone and I would be thinking of My Lord and His Goodness and Blessings, and I would start singing some good old songs like, "How Firm a Foundation" or maybe "Amazing Grace". My eyes would be filled with tears until I couldn't see the row of corn. It seemed like ole Dobbin' was Happy, too. My Lord has been good to me. I could not have gotten along without Him.

Another war began and my boy had to go, just like so many other men's sons. It was awfully hard, but I was reminded that God gave His only Son that men might be free. My son never returned from that war, and they presented me with a certificate stating that I was a GOLD STAR FATHER. I have often thought about my boy, and wondered if there are other fathers still living who gave up their sons in World War II. If there are those left like me, I want them to contact me.

I love the Missionary Baptist Church, I love what she stands for. I'll always uphold her teachings of one Lord, one Faith and one Baptism. At Cornwell's Chapel, we are still "continuing for the faith that was once delivered to the saints." We are located about seven miles from Carthage at Defeated, Tennessee, and invite everyone that will come and serve the Lord with us.

"Come on brothers and sisters, let's work while it is day; the night cometh when no man can work."

> Sincerely, B. S. Matthews Rt. 1 Carthage, Tenn. 37030

REVIVAL

A revival is to begin on Sunday night, November 7, at 1305 Louisville Rd., Millersville, Tenn. in west Sumner County. This is just north of Goodlettsville. Elder Landon C. Long and Bro. Tim Caldwell will be preaching. Services nightly at 7:15 P.M. Everyone is invited to attend these services.

Revival Reports

Walnut Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Caneyville, Ky. Three professions of faith with two additions to the church. Pastor Jimmy Fulkerson, Jr., was assisted by Elder Roger Stillwell.

Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Woods Ferry Rd., Gallatin, Tenn. Two additions to the church. Pastor Jimmy Suttle was assisted by Elder H. C. Vanderpool.

Young's Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Franklin, Ind. Four professions of faith. Pastor Doyle Van Meter was assisted by Elder Jimmy Fulkerson, Jr.

ATTENTION

I appreciate all the good articles mailed to the BANNER for publication. However, due to space, some are held over for the December issue. PLEASE KEEP THE ARTICLES COMING! Some valuable and informative articles and announcements will be in the December issue. The BANNER will be enlarged again when the interest demands it. Consideration of this has already been given.

-Editor

BIBLE LANDS PILGRIMAGE OCT. 24- NOV. 2, 1983

ISRAEL - GREECE

The Lord willing, my wife and I, with members of our church, family and several other ministers will be making our pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Greece on the above date. This will be my 7th tour of Bible Lands.

According to the Israel Department of Tourism, last year over 1,176,000 people travelled through the Holy Land.

I already have several reservations for this TRIP OF A LIFETIME! The reason for early planning is because many people have to schedule their vacations almost a year in advance due to their employer's requirements.

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REST FOR THE WEARY

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shouldering heavy burdens, suffering the destresses and sorrows of this life, rather than to cast their burdens upon Jesus Christ. There is nothing wrong for us to seek aid for our sicknesses in the body. Jesus gave attention to the afflicted, and He healed many of their diseases; but this was not His primary purpose for coming into the world. Here is just one verse in the Bible that tells why He came: "This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acception, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners:" Man's greatest need is forgiveness of his sins, and he can have forgiveness through the shed blood of Jesus Christ. There is no rest for the soul until sin is dealt with and blotted out, but it is a great experience when we know that our sins are gone and that blessed rest comes for the weary. I have heard people tell of their experiences of how their sins troubled them so, and how they went for a time with sleepless nights and miserable days while under conviction of sin, and how that peace and rest came when they came to Jesus and trusted Him. And I might add, that such was my own experience.

TAKE MY YOKE UPON YOU

"For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." When I was growing up, as a lad, a few times I saw oxen at work, sometimes they used them to pull heavy logs out of the woods to load them on wagons to take to the saw mill. These oxen had on their necks a very heavy, wooden yoke. This yoke wasn't easy on the ox's neck, it bore down on the neck and shoulder, when pulling the heavy load, it would leave skinned places and sores, and afterward there were the scars on the oxen's necks and shoulders.

I believe this pictures to us the yoke of sin that makes wounds, bruises, ugly and putrifying sores, for this yoke is very heavy and hard to bear. But Jesus pleads for men to throw off this yoke of sin that is hard to bear, and take His which is easy. The reason that His yoke is easy is that He bears the most of its weight. We can take His yoke and enjoy rest at the same time. Jesus said, "Take my voke upon you, and learn of me." It is a pleasant experience to be voked up with Jesus. because in this way we continue to learn more and more about Him and what He can do for us. We don't know it all when we get saved. We just know that we



Elder Henry Smith

are saved, and that Jesus did the saving, but there is so much more to learn. There are great experiences all along life's journey, as we walk with Him. We learn to trust Him more, and the blessings just continue to flow. We can cast all of our cares upon Him, "Casting all of your care upon Him, for He careth for you." 1 Peter 5:7. We have the wonderful privilege of unloading on Jesus, and He is delighted to bear the load; but how many Christians are there willing to get yoked up with Him? "Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me, for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

Our Children

By H. C. Vanderpool

"Children's children are the crown of old men; and the glory of children are their fathers." Pro. 17:6. Those who have children and grandchildren realize the blessings mentioned in the above scripture.

The word "Children" or "child" appears about 2,000 times in the Bible. Many of the places refer to the children of God. Often in the Bible God speaks of the love between parents and their children, and then shows how much greater His love is for His children. The Lord also speaks of how parents chastise their children so they will be obedient and honorable, and that He likewise chastises us so we, too, will be obedient unto Him.

We, as parents, are told how we should bring up our children. "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Pro. 22:6. Someone has said, "If you would bring up a child in the way he should go, be sure you are going that way yourself." It is true that there are many unruly, disobedient children in the world, but look how many unruly, disobedient parents there are who are having influence upon them. "The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame." Pro. 29:15.

One of the greatest promises that God has made to us is: "But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear (reverence) him, and his righteousness unto children's children." Psalm 103:17.