

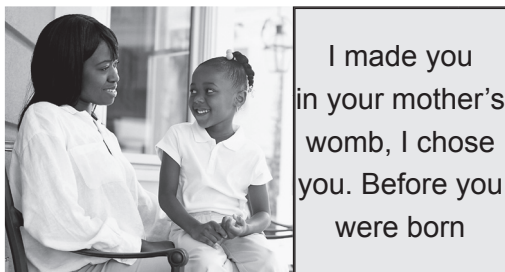
Devotions for Mom's of Pre Schoolers

Love

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 13: 1

God's love sees beyond our imperfections and weaknesses and not only accepts them, but uses them. His love gives us hope because He sees our potential. While many of us are burdened by our past failures, God sees the person we are on our way to becoming.

His love hopes all things, because He has given us the power to be all that we can be through Him. When we accept the fact that God loves us right now, at this moment — in spite of our imperfections — we are given the freedom to see ourselves as He sees us. Not only do these



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verses give us a model for unconditional love in our own relationships, it gives us a message we can claim.

"Love ... bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends." 1 Corinthians 13:7-8.

Refreshment, Rest

Websters Dictionary defines the word rest as 'to cease from action or motion'. A refreshed body is the result of a good nights sleep. Spiritual rest is also required to experience a refreshed soul. God provides this through His spirit working in our lives. In the midst of work there is rest. Christ's rest is not a rest from work, but in work

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"Thus says the Lord: Stand at the crossroads and look, and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way lies; and walk in it, and find rest for your souls. Jeremiah 6:16

The Bible says we are unique. We were all created with special gifts, abilities right from the start.

You shaped me first inside and then out. You formed me in my mother's womb. Psalm 139:13 (The Message)

Do you know that God has shaped each of us to fulfill His special plan using all aspects of our personality:

Our SPIRITUAL GIFTS
Our HEART
Our ABILITITES
Our PERSONALITY
Our EXPERIENCES

- What was one of the first moments you remember knowing that GOD was there?
- Are there any special experiences that you remember God giving you a sense of His hand on your life?
- What did you learn about God in that experience?
- What did you learn about yourself?
- Where are you now in your spiritual experience? What do you need to hear from God?

From: Rick Warren. Purpose Driven Life.

Before I made you in your mother's womb, I chose you. Before you were born, I set you apart for a special work. Jeremiah 1:5