A LIFE WORTH LIVING "The Courage to Encourage"

Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called **Barnabas (which means "son of encouragement")**, sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles' feet. **Acts 4:36-37 (NIV)**

He believed in Paul when no one else would!

He didn't just encourage Paul with his words and support, but actually lived life in the trenches with him!

He gave Paul tough love when he needed it most!

Moms believe in their children even when no one else might!

Moms don't just encourage their children with just words and support, but actually live life in the trenches with them!

Moms give their children tough love when they need it most!

The words of the reckless **pierce like swords**, but the tongue of the wise **brings healing**. **Proverbs 12:18 (NIV)**

WORDS HAVE INCREDIBLE POWER FOR GOOD & BAD

The tongue has the power of **life and death**, and those who love it will eat its fruit. **Proverbs 18:21 (NIV)**

NEGATIVE WORDS STICK POSITIVE WORDS SHAPE

A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of. Luke 6:45 (NIV)

THE TONGUE BONE IS CONNECTED TO THE HEART BONE

Therefore **encourage one another and build each other up**, just as in fact you are doing. **1 Thessalonians 5:11 (NIV)**

Moms Encourage From Their Hearts!

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God. 2 Corinthians 1:3-4 (NIV)

Moms Comfort From Their Pain!

My goal is that they may be **encouraged in heart and united in love**, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ. **Colossians 2:2 (NIV)**

Moms "Speak Life" From Their Faith!