



INTRO: Together

I'm calling this post "Together" because I think there's no more appropriate word to capture the beginning of our Mother-Daughter journey. Without this word, we miss out on the very foundation of God's intention for discipleship within our families.

Mom:

You may have heard it said that a woman is the pillar of her home. I think that's an interesting comparison: a woman to a pillar.

The Bible says,

"A wise woman builds her house..." (Proverbs 14:1 NIV)

When I think about a pillar, I think about holding up a house to keep it up. And in that light, that's where the mother's function comes into play in "together". A mother would have to be the pillar of togetherness on this mother-daughter journey.

Teen Daughter:

This the season when you start to wander away from the nest. It's a God-designed season for you, and there's nothing wrong with the fact that you're asking questions about the things that have been passed down to you as fact. Maybe your mom doesn't know everything as you may have once thought. You're challenging, and questioning, and rightly should you be.

But. Still in God's wisdom, is the grace He has given to your mother just for you. Ask questions for yourself, but don't disconnect from your mother. "Together" is just as important for you as it is for her. Just because you disagree with her, doesn't mean you should lose respect for her. Just because you disagree with her doesn't mean she's wrong.

My challenge to you is let her hold your hand once in a while even when you think you don't need to.

Preteen Daughter:

Freedom is good, and it can be fun. You're growing up and maybe sometimes you forget that you need her. When she disciplines you, don't get angry. Her love for you is true. Sometimes she may blame you for something you didn't do. Don't stop sticking with her, because she loves you.

Stay together. Be together. Let her hold your hand every now and then.

Mom and Daughter(s):

“Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.” (Ephesians 4:3 NIV)

I pray that you’ll be together and walk together like a cord of three strands on this journey by the Holy Spirit as we draw closer through His help to God our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ, and to each other.

I can’t wait for all the wonderful things we’ll discover together on this path!

Take Action:

- Discuss the points shared, and what togetherness means for you
- Peruse and discuss a few other scriptures that talk about togetherness and unity: 1 Corinthians 1:10; Colossians 3:13-14; John 17:23

(Suggestion for Mom: Have your daughter open her Bible as well to the verse and look into it for herself.)

- Pray together: Ask our Heavenly Father in Jesus Name to make you walk together as a family and together with Him in obedience and love towards Him and towards one another.