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# Walking Dusty

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When we were walking out of Dominican Hall after Tina's message, the first thing I said was "you can just tell when someone is speaking from experience versus speaking theory." Please check it out if you haven't! Thank you to Tina for teaching on Sunday and thank you to Dan and the elders for thinking of that.

I don't know how many of you went on social media on Mother's Day, but my Facebook News Feed was flooded with kids praising their mothers and husbands praising their wives. It was nice to see moms being appreciated for all that they do and their loved ones being intentional to thank them!

At the same time, I started thinking about people for whom the word "Mother's Day" doesn't bring up feelings of appreciation and joy, but heartache, bitterness, and sadness. What it must be like for them to go through this day and see a constant reminder.

Something I appreciate about Tina's message was that her message would resonate with people on either side of that fence. She talked about the joys and pains of being a mother and for those of us who aren't mothers, helped us to get a real glimpse of motherhood. From talking about lonely times to describing the miracle behind the name Teddy, she really painted a picture of God's faithfulness shining through it all, and that's something we can all relate to.

## Things to Consider

- Does there need to be some healing in your relationship with your mom or some healing in your relationship with your kids?
  - Praying for God to restore things may seem like the least practical thing we can do, but if we believe that God can accomplish what we cannot, then it is the most practical thing we can do!
- Let us praise God for the sacrifice and faithfulness our moms (and dads) demonstrated in raising us.
- Proverbs 31 depicts the power of a godly woman.
- Father, open our eyes to see that you are the most faithful of all. A rock to depend on.