



# the Vision

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## The Legacy of Motherhood: Fact, Not Fiction

Pastor Bob

Lori Loughlin started her career as a child actor but became famous playing moms. And not the kind that bribe college administrators. The other kind. Down to earth, honest, hardworking moms who teach life lessons to plucky teenage girls.

She is probably best known for her role as Aunt Becky on the ABC sitcom *Full House*. Becky was a successful career woman who met and married Jesse Katsopolis, the brother of Danny Tanner's deceased wife. In the popular family-oriented series, she had twin boys and became something of a surrogate mom to Danny's girls, often giving heartfelt advice about love, life, and relationships.

After *Full House*, Loughlin stayed busy in various roles, including the Netflix sequel *Fuller House*, before playing Abigail Stanton on Hallmark's *When Calls the Heart*. In *Heart*, Loughlin's character, Stanton, is a widow, having lost both her son and husband in a tragic accident.

The website *Fandom* describes Stanton as "charming, brave, intelligent, and charismatic." She becomes an inspiration to others in Hope Valley, especially other widows. She runs a café, and, as *Fandom* says, "she meets orphans Cody and Rebecca Hastings and takes them under her wing.

Shortly after, she adopts them. After the arrest of Henry Gowen, the former mayor of Hope Valley, Abigail is shifted into the role of mayor, while continuing to run her café."

But that's fiction. This is reality.

Hallmark fired Loughlin right after the admissions scandal broke March 12 and she was arrested. On April 15 Loughlin and her husband, Mossimo Giannulli, declined a plea deal and entered pleas of "not guilty." So if they are convicted, they could face decades in prison.

Others, such as actor Felicity Huffman, avoided the probability of extensive jail time by taking the deal. So why not Loughlin?

"From the beginning," a source close to Loughlin told the media, "she didn't want to take a deal, because she felt that she hadn't done anything that any mom wouldn't have done, if they had the means to do so."

So, sadly, Loughlin believes that to bribe a child's way into an elite university is standard procedure—if you have the cash.

Perhaps she never realized that the people she portrayed had more character than the Mom she was becoming?

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## Church Events

- May 2<sup>nd</sup> — National Day of Prayer
- May 4<sup>th</sup> — Boston Butt Fundraiser
- May 5<sup>th</sup> — VBS Volunteer Meeting
- May 12<sup>th</sup> — Mother's Day *No Evening Worship*
- May 13<sup>th</sup> — Ladies' Ministry Meeting
- May 16<sup>th</sup> — 50's Plus Meeting
- May 19<sup>th</sup> — Parent/Child Dedication & Baptism
- May 27<sup>th</sup> — Church Office Closed
- May 29<sup>th</sup> — End of School Year Bash

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## The Legacy of Motherhood: Fact, Not Fiction

Being a mom, or dad, is not about how much money you have. And it is certainly not about paving an effortless path for your kids, giving them what they do not achieve or buffering tough experiences for them. It's about raising responsible adults who become productive, mature, and generous citizens. No parent does this perfectly, but every parent can do it honestly.

And for Christian moms, it means doing your best to raise children who know Christ. One day they will make their own decisions, but while they are in your care, you can have an impact on them for Christ.

And the Bible gives Christian moms plenty of directives for their stewardship of children and how to be a good mom. But the one that stands out the most is Proverbs 31. The well-known passage describes a godly woman as a woman of "noble character" (31:10).

From that, the proverb heralds her work ethic, her respect for her husband, and the respect she earns from her community. She is smart with money and savvy in business. She is compassionate, wise, strong, and loving. In other words, she is the Mom and wife that a godly woman should aspire to be (31:12-31).

This woman is not fiction, and at the end of it all we are reminded of why she is an inspiration.

"Her children rise up and call her blessed;

her husband also praises her:

"Many women have done noble deeds, but you surpass them all!"

Charm is deceptive and beauty is fleeting, but a woman who fears the Lord will be praised" (31:28-30).

She leaves a legacy that impacts her family and her children for the Lord. Is there any greater thing that can be said of a parent, especially a mom, than that?

You, Mom, live a very real life. Not fiction or fantasy. You suffer hurts with your children and you celebrate their victories when they shine. You laugh with them, cry with them, teach them, guide them, protect them, and discipline them.

And one day they will depart. What's left? Your legacy. A very real, factual, living example of your motherhood.

When Paul wrote his second letter to Timothy, he wanted to inspire him to live for Christ. So he began by reminding the young pastor that he prayed for him often. And then Paul's thoughts traveled, and he spilled over with joy for Timothy's heritage of faith, grateful that Timothy had a mother and a grandmother who passed along a legacy of faithfulness to Christ.

"I recall your sincere faith that first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and now, I am convinced, is in you also" (2 Tim. 2:5).

Noble character. Don't try to be who you are not but aspire to be who God called you to be. Sooner or later, fact catches up to fiction. And the legacy moms leave reveals their character.

So let it be said of you, Mom, that you left behind a clear legacy of faith that your children could follow.

With Love in Christ,  
Pastor Bob

### Proverbs 31

<sup>10</sup>Who can find a capable wife? She is far more precious than jewels. <sup>11</sup>The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will not lack anything good. <sup>12</sup>She rewards him with good, not evil, all the days of her life. <sup>13</sup>She selects wool and flax and works with willing hands. <sup>14</sup>She is like the merchant ships, bringing her food from far away. <sup>15</sup>She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household and portions for her servants. <sup>16</sup>She evaluates a field and buys it; she plants a vineyard with her earnings. <sup>17</sup>She draws on her strength and reveals that her arms are strong. <sup>18</sup>She sees that her profits are good, and her lamp never goes out at night. <sup>19</sup>She extends her hands to the spinning staff, and her hands hold the spindle. <sup>20</sup>Her hands reach out to the poor, and she extends her hands to the needy. <sup>21</sup>She is not afraid for her household when it snows, for all in her household are doubly clothed. <sup>22</sup>She makes her own bed coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple. <sup>23</sup>Her husband is known at the city gates, where he sits among the elders of the land. <sup>24</sup>She makes and sells linen garments; she delivers belts to the merchants. <sup>25</sup>Strength and honor are her clothing, and she can laugh at the time to come. <sup>26</sup>She opens her mouth with wisdom, and loving instruction is on her tongue. <sup>27</sup>She watches over the activities of her household and is never idle. <sup>28</sup>Her sons rise up and call her blessed. Her husband also praises her: <sup>29</sup>"Many women are capable, but you surpass them all!" <sup>30</sup>Charm is deceptive and beauty is fleeting, but a woman who fears the Lord will be praised. <sup>31</sup>Give her the reward of her labor, and let her works praise her at the city gates.



# Monthly Ministry Info

WEDNESDAY DINNER | 5:30-6:15PM

## children

QUEST FIRST KIDS MINISTRY  
WEDNESDAYS | 6PM

## fusion

BIBLE STUDY  
WEDNESDAYS | 6PM

## youth

BIBLE STUDY  
WEDNESDAYS | 6PM

BOSTON BUTT FUNDRAISER  
MAY 4 | 9AM-1PM

CAR WASH, DESSERTS AND TSHIRTS ALSO  
AVAILABLE AT PICKUP

CENTRIFUGE SUMMER CAMP  
JUN 17-21, 2019

SHALIMAR CENTER, PANAMA CITY, FL

\$120 NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT DUE NOW

\$230 BALANCE & FORMS DUE MAY 29

SMALL GROUP CELEBRATION

MAY 19 | 5:30PM-8PM

MEET AT OIB COMMUNITY CENTER

## end of school year bash

MAY 29 | 5:30-8:30PM

CHILDREN OF ALL AGES CELEBRATE  
THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR  
WATER SLIDES, FOOD & MORE

## graduates

GRADUATE SUNDAY

JUN 2 | 11AM

ALL GRADUATES PLEASE SIGN UP AT  
[FBCSHALLOTTE.ORG/GRADUATES](http://FBCSHALLOTTE.ORG/GRADUATES)

## dedication

PARENT/CHILD DEDICATION

MAY 19 | 11AM

SIGN UP AT

[FBCSHALLOTTE.ORG/DEDICATION](http://FBCSHALLOTTE.ORG/DEDICATION)

## baptism

MAY 19 | 11AM

CONTACT CHURCH OFFICE IF YOU WOULD  
LIKE TO BE BAPTIZED

## message series

UPCOMING SERIES: "WHO'S YOUR ONE?:  
IMPACTING ETERNITY ONE LIFE AT A TIME"

LISTEN TO SERMONS ONLINE AT

[FBCSHALLOTTE.ORG/SERMONS](http://FBCSHALLOTTE.ORG/SERMONS)

## fifty plus

STARZ GRILLE (PLANET FUN)

MAY 16 | 12PM

## women

LADIES' MINISTRY MEETING

MAY 13 | 6:30PM

DANCE FOR JOY

TUESDAYS | 6:30PM

## men

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAYS | 6:30AM

## missions

ROMANIA MISSION TRIP

JUL 18-27, 2019

COST: \$1,900

\$100 NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT DUE NOW

TEAM MEETING

MAY 5 | 12:30PM

## finance

CAPITAL FUND BALANCE \$186,932

DISASTER RELIEF FUND BALANCE \$10,131

## vbs

IN THE WILD VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUN 23-27 | 6PM

VOLUNTEER MEETING

MAY 5 | 4PM

ANYONE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING

PLEASE MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THIS MEETING  
OR CONTACT DEAN CARROLL

## prayer

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

MAY 2 | 6AM-6PM

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER

## QUEST for Kids



We are looking forward to a "Good News" Summer! The Quest team pledges to teach the "Good

News" and show kids Jesus while having loads of fun!

Why teach the "Good News"? Because Jesus is everything we need. It's important for our kids to know the "Good News" and how to share it.

Our summer series will kick off with our End of School Year Bash. All ages invited to join us for free water games, food and fun! Continue the summer with us on Wednesdays at 6pm as we rock your kids' world vision of Jesus.

FBCS is seeking a Children's Ministry Intern for the summer of 2019. If you have questions, or for a description of the position or to recommend someone, contact us through the church website or call the church office.

## In The Wild

### Vacation Bible School

You can make a difference in the eternal life of a child by volunteering during Vacation Bible School! Our "In The Wild" VBS will be held June 23-27 at 6pm. Even if you are not available on this particular week, help will also be needed prior to and after the event with decorating, clean up, and food preparation. If you would like to help this year, please make plans to attend the volunteer meeting on Sunday, May 5 at 4pm.

We need everyone's participation to make this the best Vacation Bible School ever! Please start praying now for all the young lives that will come to know Jesus Christ as their Savior.



## Boston Butt Fundraiser

Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> | 9am—1pm

Get your ticket for a \$25 Boston Butt now from a youth or Romania Mission Trip team member. You can also come by the church office during office hours to preorder a boston butt. In addition to picking up your preordered boston butts, there will be desserts and Romania Mission team t-shirts available for purchase. Don't forget to stop by our FREE car wash! (Donations greatly appreciated)

**Be sure to come out and support our youth!**

# Who's Your One?

*Starting May 5*

On May 5, we will begin a new message series called "Who's Your One?" But this not just a message series, it is a fresh focus on sharing the gospel with our friends, neighbors, and loved ones. We will ask God to put one person on our hearts, one person who needs Christ. And we will make it a fresh

priority to pray for that person with the intention of sharing the gospel with them by the end of 2019.

Jesus called us to make disciples. Each one of us. We don't need another method. We need a heart for lost people and a desire to simply talk about Jesus.

So, Who's Your One? Write down the name. Keep it close. And start praying now

that God would use you to lead them to faith in Christ.

Imagine if every one of us at FBCS had one Gospel conversation by the end of 2019!

So, Who's Your One?

We track and measure everything and sometimes, we think the only numbers that really matter are the big ones. We are challenging everyone to focus on this number: the number one. Who's your ONE? We must do whatever it takes to reach the lost, and it starts with ONE.

## New To Our Family



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### Office Hours:

M-Th 9am—3pm; F 9am—1pm

Sunday School	9:45am
Morning Worship	11:00am
Evening Worship	6:00pm
Wednesday	6:00pm

## 365 Days of Scriptures Revealing God's Promises

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| <input type="checkbox"/> May-01 PROMISE #121 My Spirit made you and My breath gives you life. Job 33:4                           | <input type="checkbox"/> May-17 PROMISE #137 I will teach your children My ways and give them great peace. Isaiah 54:13    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May-02 PROMISE #122 There is no place you can go to escape My presence. Psalm 139:7-10                  | <input type="checkbox"/> May-18 PROMISE #138 I will not forget the love you have shown Me by serving others. Hebrews 6:10  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May-03 PROMISE #123 All your days are known to Me and your inheritance is secure forever. Psalm 37:18   | <input type="checkbox"/> May-19 PROMISE #139 I will repay those who are kind to the poor. Proverbs 19:17                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May-04 PROMISE #124 I gently formed you in your mother's womb. Psalm 139:13                             | <input type="checkbox"/> May-20 PROMISE #140 All My blessings will overtake those who obey Me. Deuteronomy 28:2            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May-05 PROMISE #125 I am delighted to give you My kingdom. Luke 12:32                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> May-21 PROMISE #141 I know what you need before you even ask. Matthew 6:8                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May-06 PROMISE #126 My face will shine upon you all the days of your life. Numbers 6:25                 | <input type="checkbox"/> May-22 PROMISE #142 I open prison doors and set captives free. Isaiah 61:1                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May-07 PROMISE #127 My Word will brighten your steps and light your path. Psalm 119:105                 | <input type="checkbox"/> May-23 PROMISE #143 I will rescue the godly from all their troubles. 2 Peter 2:9                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May-08 PROMISE #128 My Son took upon Himself all your sicknesses and diseases. Matthew 8:16-17          | <input type="checkbox"/> May-24 PROMISE #144 My displeasure may last a moment, but My favor is yours for life. Psalm 30:5  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May-09 PROMISE #129 My Spirit will help you in your weakness. Romans 8:26                               | <input type="checkbox"/> May-25 PROMISE #145 I will fill those who hunger and thirst for My righteousness. Matthew 5:6     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May-10 PROMISE #130 You can do all things through Jesus Christ who gives you strength. Philippians 4:13 | <input type="checkbox"/> May-26 PROMISE #146 I will show you the mysteries of My kingdom. Matthew 13:11                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May-11 PROMISE #131 Be courageous, for I am with you and I will never fail you. Deuteronomy 31:6        | <input type="checkbox"/> May-27 PROMISE #147 Those who overcome will eat from the tree of life in paradise. Revelation 2:7 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May-12 PROMISE #132 I am a very present help for you in times of trouble. Psalm 46:1                    | <input type="checkbox"/> May-28 PROMISE #148 I have prepared amazing things for those who love Me. 1 Corinthians 2:9       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May-13 PROMISE #133 I will keep watch over you and guard you forever. Psalm 12:7                        | <input type="checkbox"/> May-29 PROMISE #149 Those who are pure in heart will see My face. Matthew 5:8                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May-14 PROMISE #134 I hear your voice when you call to Me in the morning. Psalm 5:3                     | <input type="checkbox"/> May-30 PROMISE #150 I began the good work in you and I will finish it. Philippians 1:6            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May-15 PROMISE #135 All that I have is yours because you belong to Jesus. John 16:15                    | <input type="checkbox"/> May-31 PROMISE #151 You can rest in My promise of eternal life, for I cannot lie. Titus 1:2       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May-16 PROMISE #136 My goodness and mercy will chase after you all your life. Psalm 23:6                |  |