

THE MESSENGER



"... How beautiful are the feet of those who bring glad tidings of good things!" Romans 10:15

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You Don't Need to Apologize

1. For telling the truth.
2. For living a pure life.
3. For your faith in Christ.
4. For acknowledging your sins.
5. For doing your best.
6. For thinking before acting.
7. For hearing before judging.
8. For forgiving your enemies.
9. For helping a fallen brother.
10. For being honest in business.
11. For thinking before speaking.
12. For being true to the Lord.
13. For standing on your principles.
14. For harboring only pure thoughts.
15. For being courteous and kind.
16. For money given to the Lord's cause.
17. For sympathizing with the afflicted.
18. For frankness and candor at the right time.

Selected

Last night my little boy confessed to me
Some childish wrong;
And kneeling at my knee
He prayed with tears:
"Dear God, make me a man
Like Daddy - wise and strong,
I know you can."

Then while he slept
I knelt beside his bed,
Confessed my sins,
And prayed with low-bowed head:
"Dear God, make me a child,
Like my child here,
Pure, guileless,
Trusting Thee with faith sincere."

Make me, O Lord, a child again,
So tender, frail, and small,
In self-possessing nothing, and
In thee possessing all.

O Savior, make me small once more,
That downward I may grow,
And in this heart of mine restore
The faith of long ago.

With Thee may I be crucified
No longer I that lives -
O Savior, crush my sinful pride
By grace which pardon gives.

Make me, O Lord, a child again,
Obedient to Thy call,
In self-possessing nothing, and
In Thee possessing all.

A careful man, I ought to be;
A little fellow follows me;

I do not dare to go astray
For fear he'll go the self-same way.
I cannot once escape his eyes;
Whatever he sees me do, he tries;

Like me, he says, he's going to be;
That little chap that follows me.

He thinks that I am good and fine,
Believes in every word of mine;

The bad in me, he must not see;
My life to him must an example be.

I must remember, as I go
Through summer's sun and winter's snow,

I'm building for the years to be,
For that little chap that follows me.

What shall you give to one small boy?
A glamorous game, a tinsel toy?

A Boy Scout knife, a puzzle pack?
A train that runs on some curving track?

A picture book, a real live pet?
No, there's plenty of time for such things yet.

Give him a day for his very own,
Just one small boy and his Dad alone,

A walk in the woods, a romp in the park,
A fishing trip from dawn to dark.

Give him the gift that only you can.
The companionship of his "Dad".

Games are outgrown and toys decay,
But he'll never forget
If you give him a day.

News and Notes: Tuesday Bible Studies – 11 a.m. Old Testament and 7 p.m. Romans
Remember to check the prayer list for those with ongoing spiritual weaknesses and physical illnesses.

"...Pray for one another...The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." James 5:16