

Why do we need mothers?

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Have you noticed that in children's movies and in many fairy tales, the mothers are not there for teaching their daughters and sons how to cope with life and they do just fine anyway? Think about it: Bambi loses his mother when he is still a fawn and grows up with the help of his peers, a baby rabbit and a baby skunk. His father intervenes only in an emergency. Snow White grows up with a sweet personality even though she is an orphan (likewise All Dogs Go to Heaven). Where is the mother in Hanna Montana, Cinderella, Pinocchio, Tarzan, Heidi, and Nemo?

Of course such story lines are great for developing tender feelings toward the main characters, but they do leave an impression that is contrary to actual experience as well as the Bible warnings against leaving a child to himself. "The rod and rebuke give wisdom, but a child left to himself brings shame to his mother." Proverbs 29:15. "Foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child; the rod of correction will drive it far from him." Proverbs 22:15. Modern child care counsel advocates insist that a child for the most part does not need parental involvement or discipline but just someone to say the right words in just the right tone of voice to redirect a child's energy without inhibiting his "creative" tendencies. The truth is that orphans usually behave very badly. Children with maximum parenting usually show more respect and kindness to others and stand out as unusual in a sea of children raised with minimal parenting. Mothers and fathers are not expendable.

"Youth ministries" often function on the assumption that peers are better teachers and leaders for teens and twenty-somethings. Imagine that. Lizzy Maguire goes to Europe as a teenager, sneaks off with a teenage pop star, and finds herself! If mother were there, she could not have "come of age" or at the very least stood on her own feet meeting a challenge. Are adolescent counselors generally wiser than middle-age ones? Are our elderly really that irrelevant to our youth? Practically all the elderly counselors that we see in the movies are reprobates, gross, and vulgar jokes.

Only Marxist unbelievers can seriously suggest to us that pimple-faced students are sages of wisdom and Mothers and Dads don't have a clue. We know why they want to segregate the youth from their parents: they want to re-program them. They are wolves in sheep's clothing. Are we wise to be so trusting in matters of the protection and training of our children?

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