



Seminary Wives Newsletter

The Distaff

*The wise woman builds her house,
But the foolish tears it down with her own hands.
Proverbs 14:1*



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October 1 ~ Loving to Love your Husband with Karen Busenitz

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"How blessed are those whose way is blameless, Who walk in the law of the Lord. How blessed are those who observe His testimonies, who seek Him with all of their heart."

Psalm 119:1-2

Recipe Row



Tempura by Kazumi Nix

prep time 20 min. cook time 20 min.

yields: 4 servings

Ingredients:

10-15 cooked Shrimp
1/2 cup frozen Edamame
1/4 green pepper, 1/4 onion,
1 potato or 1/4 sweet potato
1 carrot

*cut into small strips and dry with paper towel

Tempura Batter

1 cup of flour plus 1 tbsp of baking powder
1 egg yolk
1 cup of COLD water

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Beat egg and COLD water until blended

Pumpkin Quinoa Muffins by Kim Small

set oven to 400 degrees

yields: 12 muffins

Ingredients:

1 1/4 cups whole wheat pastry flour
3/4 cup light brown sugar, packed
1 tsp pumpkin pie spice
1 tsp baking powder
1/2 tsp baking soda, 1/2 tsp salt
3/4 cups quinoa, cooked and drained
3/4 cup unsweetened canned pumpkin
1/2 cup buttermilk, 2 eggs
4 tbsp unsalted melted and cooled butter
2 tsp vanilla extract
1/4 shelled sunflower seeds or pepitas.

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Words of Wisdom

"But I don't need to look too far ahead, I don't have to keep a running account of hours spent in service and hours spent in worship and devotion or worry that every moment of every day is in perfect perpetual balance. What I need to do instead is submit my life to the Lord and let him help me "do the chuckye". He will show me how to attend to both sides of my life."

by
Joanna Weaver
from the book
Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World

*in
lg mixing bowl.
Sprinkle in flour, stir quickly just until
flour is moistened, making sure not to
over-mix.*

*Batter should be thin and lumpy.
Prepare batter just before cooking.*

*Prepare pan or skilled with 2 inches of
veg. oil
to 350 degrees.*

*Gently slide ingredients dipped in batter
from small plate into hot oil, frying a few
at a time.*

*Fry on one side, tempura will rise to
surface when cooked. Remove from
oil, drain on paper towel
and serve immediately.*

*Prepare muffin tins with liners or butter.
Combine first six ingredients in large
bowl.*

*Add quinoa, separating grains with fork
to
distribute evenly.*

*In separate bowl combine next five
ingredients
and whisk until smooth. Gradually stir in
dry ingredients until just incorporated.*

*Spoon batter into tins and sprinkle
sunflower
seeds on top of each muffin. Bake for 30
minutes
or until edges are browned. Let muffins
rest for 5 minutes then turn out onto
wire rack to cool.*

Thoughts From a Seminary Wife

by Emily Joki

There is great pain in broken relationships. To find you have done something that has offended another person is agonizing. If the person is angry because you shared the gospel with them, it is easy to find comfort by remembering that the anger is with the gospel, not with you. But what do you do in those situations when your sin or the sin of another is what has caused the broken relationship? Where do you turn? What will quiet your mind?

What will quiet your heart about the situation until you have a chance to reconcile? Let us turn to Mathew 5: 43-48 to consider our Lord's counsel for such a situation.

**"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor, and hate your enemy.'
But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you in order that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax-gatherers do the same? And if you greet your brothers only, what do you do more than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Therefore, you are to be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect."**

The text tells us that, regardless of our hurt feelings, we must still love and pray for the other person.

Next is the reminder to remain humble in heart. God's Word says that "His sun rises on the good as well as the bad." Therefore we are all on the same level playing field. We are all under the full weight of the wrath of God

when we are born. Nothing other than God's grace through Christ will change that. So who are we to think that

we aren't guilty of any sin that may have incited these feelings within the broken relationship? One more reminder is of Christ's standard and our failure to meet it, "Therefore, you are to be perfect, as

your heavenly Father is perfect." Who can meet that standard? Neither you nor the other person will ever meet this standard of perfection, but Christ has. Both of you are in debt to Christ. In our conflict, we are to allow our hearts to be humbled by these reminders, however painful. Why is it so hard to let ourselves stop long enough to allow the pain to penetrate our souls? Why do we rebel against the searing sword of Scripture? Why do we want to keep the hurting feelings at arm's length to avoid the humbling we so desperately need? Why do we consistently turn away from these opportunities to grow in character and relationship to God and one another when we know these trials come for our own good and for God's glory? May we never find ourselves running away from these situations, but practice running toward them, chasing them down, and embracing them for the glory of the Father and His Son and the unity of the body of Christ.

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While we recommend many different resources for your consideration we also encourage you, the reader, to be like the Bereans who could receive a message (book) with eagerness and then examine the message against the truth of Scripture. ~ Acts 17:11

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