

## **Burned Biscuits -- author unknown**

When I was a kid, my Mom liked to make breakfast food for dinner every now and then. And I remember one night in particular when she had made breakfast after a long, hard day at work. On that evening so long ago, my Mom placed a plate of eggs, sausage and extremely burned biscuits in front of my dad. I remember waiting to see if anyone noticed! Yet, all my dad did was reach for his biscuit, smile at my Mom and ask me how my day was at school. I don't remember what I told him that night, but I do remember watching him smear butter and jelly on that biscuit and eat every bite!

When I got up from the table that evening, I remember hearing my Mom apologize to my dad for burning the biscuits. And I'll never forget what he said: "Honey, I love burned biscuits".

Later that night, I went to kiss Daddy good night and I asked him if he really liked his biscuits burned. He wrapped me in his arms and said, "Your Momma put in a hard day at work today and she's real tired. And, besides a little burned biscuit never hurt anyone!"

Life is full of imperfect things and imperfect people. I'm not the best at hardly anything, and I forget birthdays and anniversaries just like everyone else. But what I've learned over the years is that learning to accept each others faults - and choosing to celebrate each others differences - is one of the most important keys to creating a healthy, growing, and lasting relationship.

And, that's my prayer for you today. He's the only One who will be able to give you a relationship where a burnt biscuit isn't a deal-breaker!

URLVD,  
Father John

**Aug 21st Outdoor Mass and BBQ:** Come to our 10:00AM outdoor Mass followed by a BBQ on Sunday, Aug 21st. It is surely going to be a time of Joy and celebration. Please, Please, Please, call Beth at the office and let her know how many are coming to the BBQ-we need a head count. You can reach her at the office at 503-761-8710. **Remember, there will be no confession or 5:00PM Mass scheduled for Saturday, Aug 20th and the 10:00AM Mass on Aug 21st will be the only mass on that weekend at St. Joseph the Worker.**

Thank you, Father John

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