What Mom Really Wants for Mother's Day

- Breakfast in bed after she sleeps in I get breakfast in bed on Mother's Day and on my birthday every year. It's very simple. It might be an omelet with a glass of juice or a bowl of cereal. It always comes with a homemade card and lots of hugs and kisses.
- A whole afternoon to herself without any obligations (and not caring for the children). Moms' night out would be nice, too.
- A <u>HoneyBaked Ham</u> and meal so that she doesn't have to make dinner on her special day
- Her favorite dessert, either homemade or from <u>HoneyBaked</u>. Make it a gluten-free peanut butter pie for me, please.



- A nice homemade gift I'm not talking about a kids' craft that you tuck away in a drawer. I'm talking about something nice that you can hang outside or actually use. Something like:
 - Melted bead suncatchers
 - o Chocolate orange hand scrub (or another "flavor" made with her favorite essential oil)
 - o A tote bag
 - o A fairy garden
 - o A personalized journal
 - o A mom journal (see next item)
- A mom journal This is something that Joe started for me last year, and I treasure it completely. Each of my daughters made a page for Mother's Day, my birthday, and for Christmas. Grace's pages had notes and drawings. Allie's pages were scribbles. Joe wrote their names and the exact date on the bottom of the page. As they get older, I expect they might write me letters, but for now, I'm loving their drawings and notes. This year, I have printed out a Mother's Day booklet from Celebrate Every Day With Me for each of my girls to complete for inclusion in my notebook.
- A collection of favorite memories or things you and the kids love about her. These
 could go on index cards on a ring, on pages in the journal above, on slips of paper in a box or jar –
 presentation options are limitless.
- o **Take care of her car.** Wash it, clean it out, vacuum it. Take care of the details inside and out, then fill up the tank.
- o Hire a housekeeper to come for a deep cleaning.
- o **Jewelry** I'm a sucker for mom jewelry, especially the personalized kind. <u>Lisa Leonard</u> is amazing. I also like the charm bracelets with lampwork beads and dangly charms.
- o A brand new set of 400-thread-count sheets.
- A new camera All moms take lots of pictures. If you're tired of trying to make your camera
 phone take the perfect shot, you might want to ask for a real camera.
- o **A mani-pedi** or other spa treatment
- Mom also wants