

# MOTHERHOOD

*Preserving Biblical Womanhood - 2024*

## Loving your children

Titus 2:4 Then they can train the younger women to love their husbands and children.

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Titus 2:4 ...to be lovers of their husbands, lovers of their children. Young's

## Bringing up children (widow list)

1 Timothy 5:9-10 No widow may be put on the list of widows unless she is over sixty, has been faithful to her husband, and is well known for her good deeds, such as bringing up children, showing hospitality, washing the feet of the saints, helping those in trouble and devoting herself to all kinds of good deeds. NIV84

## Maker of the Home/ Keepers of the Home/ Busy at Home/ Manager of the Home

Titus 2:4-5 So that they may encourage the young women to tenderly love their husbands and their children, to be sensible, pure, makers of a home [where God is honored], good-natured, being subject to their own husbands, so that the word of God will not be dishonored. AMP

Titus 2:5b... Then they will not bring shame on the word of God. NLT

Titus 2:4-5 In this way they can train the young women to love their husbands and children... Berean

1 Timothy 5:14 So I counsel younger widows to marry, to have children, to manage their homes and to give the enemy no opportunity for slander. NIV

Proverbs 7:11 She is loud and defiant; her feet do not remain at home. Berean

## Watches over the affairs of her household

Proverbs 31:27 She watches over the affairs of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness. NIV

## The wise (mother) builds her house

Proverbs 14:1 The wise woman builds her house, but with her own hands the foolish one tears hers down. NIV

Proverbs 24:3-4 By wisdom a house is built, and through understanding it is established; through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures. NIV

## The sacred teachings of a mother

Proverbs 1:8 Listen, my son, to your father's instruction and do not forsake your mother's teaching. NIV

Proverbs 6:20 My son, keep your father's command and do not forsake your mother's teaching. NIV

## The impact of a mother's teachings

Proverbs 1:8-9 Listen, my son, to your father's instruction and do not forsake your mother's teaching. They are a garland to grace your head and a pendants to adorn your neck. NIV

Proverbs 2:1-6, 9-15 My son, if you receive my words and treasure up my commandments with you...discretion will watch over you, understanding will guard you, delivering you from the way of evil. ESV

Proverbs 3:1-2 My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments, for length of days and years of life and peace they will add to you. ESV

Proverbs 6:20-23 My son, keep your father's commands and do not forsake your mother's teaching. Bind them upon your heart forever; fasten them around your neck. When you walk, they will guide you; when you sleep, they will watch over you; when you awake, they will speak to you. For this command is a lamp, this teaching is a light, and correction and instruction are the way to life. NIV84

### **Faithful instruction on her tongue**

Proverbs 31:26 She opens her mouth with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue. Berean

### **A mother having God's commandments on her own heart**

Deuteronomy 6:4-8 Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. NIV

Deuteronomy 11:18-19 Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds... Teach them to your children...

### **A mother passing on her faith**

2 Timothy 1:5 I have been reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also. NIV84

### **A mother impressing God's commandments on her children**

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### **The fruit of a mother's life**

3 John 1:4 I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth. NIV

Proverbs 31:31 Give her the reward she has earned, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate. NIV84

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Proverbs 31:28 Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her. NIV

Psalms 144:12 Then our sons in their youth will be like well-nurtured plants, and our daughters will be like pillars carved to adorn a palace. NIV

### **Your children are a reward, a heritage from God Himself.**

Psalms 127:3 Children are a heritage from the LORD, offspring a reward from him. NIV

### **A mother's joy – a child is born into the world**

John 16:21 A woman giving birth to a child has pain because her time has come; but when her baby is born she forgets the anguish because of her joy that a child is born into the world. NIV

**A mother teaching her children to obey and honor their parents**

Ephesians 6:1-4 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. “Honor your father and mother”—which is the first commandment with a promise— “that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.” Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. NIV84

# MOTHERHOOD DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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1. What stood out to you from the teaching that you can apply to your own life?
2. What are you doing to instruct your own heart? What is something that would help you grow in instructing your own heart?
3. Where are you walking in faith in your instruction in motherhood? Where do you need to shore up your faith?
4. When are you tempted to just deal with behavior but not instruct the heart? What is a success you've had in training a child's heart? What is an area we can pray for help for you in instructing your child's heart?

# **MOTHERHOOD PERSONAL REFLECTION QUESTIONS**

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What about this topic did you find most encouraging or convicting?

Which verse that you read stood out as the most meaningful or challenging to you?

What truths does God want you to believe in this area of your life?

What conversations do you want to have with your husband about this area of your life?

What is something you want to process more about motherhood or would want prayer for?