

## **Bible Moms**

A story is told about a little boy on Mother's Day standing beside his mother's bed.

"Hey, Mom! Wake up. I made you a Mother's Day card." "Oh my, how sweet of you." she says. "Go ahead & read it to me." And this is what he wrote.

"I was going to buy a card with hearts of pink & red,  
but then I thought I'd rather spend the money on me instead.  
It's awfully hard to buy things when one's allowance is so small.  
So I guess you're pretty lucky I got you anything at all.  
Happy Mother's Day. There, I've said it. Now I'm done.  
So how about getting out of bed & fixing breakfast for your son."

"I'm deeply moved." said his mother. Then he added, "Did you notice the part about my allowance?"

Some of you may feel like that little boy's mother, wondering is anybody going to say, "Thank you?" If you haven't heard it let me be the first to say thank you.

We appreciate all our mothers here and the church appreciates you for all the hard work put into your families. Without good Christian families this world would fall apart.

As I was looking at all the mothers in the Bible it was hard for me to pick just one who would show us what it means to love God with all our hearts. That's why I decided to share with you 5 of my favorite mothers in Bible.

### **I. Mary: Mother of Jesus**

We don't pray to Marry, we don't worship Marry, but she was a righteous woman who loved God. The verse I want to spend some time looking at is found in Luke 1:46-55. Here Mary expresses her feelings by praising God.

Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant. For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his offspring forever."

Have you ever heard someone say, "your looking merry today?" Perhaps the reason why we associate the word Merry with gladness is because of this scripture. You don't have to encourage Mary to praise God. To her, praises is something that comes naturally.

That's how God wants to be worshipped. The Israelites missed it. For them worship was routine. For them, worship was about going through the motions for others to see.

The prophet Isaiah said, "These people draw near Me with their mouth and with their lips, but they do honor Me, for they have removed their heart far from Me." (Isa 29:13).

How wonderful it is to have a mother who teaches her family about true worship.

## **II. Hannah the mother of Samuel (1 Sam 1:24-28)**

Hannah was not able to have children and prayed with many tears that God to do something about her problem. She prayed so hard in the temple that Eli thought she was drunk (1 Sam 1:10). In that prayer Hannah said "Lord, if you give me a son, I will give him back to you."

God answered that prayer and Samuel was born. When he was of appropriate age Samuel was taken to the Lord's house and was left with the priests to become a servant of the Lord.

There is at least one simple and yet profound lesson that we can learn from her story. Hannah gave her child to God.

## **III. Eunice: (2Tim 1:1-5).**

When Paul was writing to Timothy he said, "When I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also.

Eunice was the mother of someone we all know, Timothy. He was one of Paul's close friends and they did ministry together in Acts 16. We also see him as a faithful friend while Paul was in prison at Rome (Philip 2:19)

Timothy, along with his mother and grandmother, were Jewish Christians. The faith that was in Timothy was first found in his Grandmother and in his mother. They were an example of faith and taught Timothy the scriptures.

When I think about Timothy, I cannot help but be thankful for the Mothers and Grandmothers who take time to read the Bible to their children.

### **4. The Virtuous Women (Proverbs 31)**

**#1. Verse 11 says, "The heart of her husband trusts in her."**

**#2. Look at verse 12 - "She does him good... all the days of her life."**

**#3. Verse 13 & 16: "She works with her hands and she's in the real-estate business."**

**#4. Verse 15 says, "She rises also while it is still night."**

**#5. Verse 20, "She extends her hand to the poor, and she stretches out her hands to the**

needy.”

**#6. Verse 22, “She makes coverings for herself; Her clothing is fine linen and purple.”**

**#7. v. 23 says, “Her husband is known in the gates, when he sits among the elders of the land.”**

**#8. v. 25 says, “she smiles at the future.”**

**#9. Verse 26 says, “She speaks words of kindness.”**

Now look at verse 30. **“A woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised.”**

If you're wife or Mom loves God, then you've got it good.

**#5. The fifth Top Bible Mom is found in 1 Peter 3:3 who is described as Beautiful.**

God speaking through Peter says, “Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as braided hair and the wearing of gold jewelry and fine clothes.” “Instead it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit.”

Peter was speaking to Christian women who were married to unbelieving husbands. How are they win them for Christ? Peter said an example is needed that comes from true beauty.

**Close:**

Today I've shown to you my top 5 mothers in the Bible. Mary/praising God. Hannah/Give your children to the Lord. Eunice/faith. Virtuous women and the women of beauty.