

## The Love of A Mother

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**Ephesian 6:2-3** Honour thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise; <sup>3</sup> That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.

### What are mothers?

1. They are chosen of God
  - a. **Psalm 139:13** For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.
  - b. **Genesis 2:22-23** And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.<sup>23</sup> And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.
  - c.
2. They bring us into the world
  - a. **Genesis 3:20** And Adam called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother of all living.
3. They provide for us
  - a. **Luke 11:27** And it came to pass, as he spake these things, a certain woman of the company lifted up her voice, and said unto him, Blessed is the womb that bare thee, and the paps which thou hast sucked.
4. They protect us
  - a. **Genesis 27:13** And his mother said unto him, Upon me be thy curse, my son: only obey my voice, and go fetch me them.
5. They give us first before themselves
  - a. **2 Kings 4:1** Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets unto Elisha, saying, Thy servant my husband is dead; and thou knowest that thy servant did fear the LORD: and the creditor is come to take unto him my two sons to be bondmen.
6. They are our first teachers
  - a. **Proverbs 6:20** My son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake not the law of thy mother:
  - b. **Deuteronomy 6:6-7** And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:<sup>7</sup> And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine

house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

7. They are our first cheer leaders
8. They are our encouragers

### How do we appreciate them?

1. Share your successes with them
  - a. **Galatians 6:6** Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things.
2. Share your failures with them.
3. Listen to their teachings
  - a. **Proverbs 1:8-9** My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:<sup>9</sup> For they shall be an ornament of grace unto thy head, and chains about thy neck.
  - b.
4. Share your resources with them
  - a. **Exodus 20:12** Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.
  - b. **Ephesians 6:1-3** Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.<sup>2</sup> Honour thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise;<sup>3</sup> That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.
  - c. **Colossians 3:20** Children, obey your parents in all things: for this is well pleasing unto the Lord.
5. Make them a target of your monthly giving
  - a. **Acts 20:35** I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.
  - b. **1 Timothy 5:8** But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel.
6. Celebrate your mother, no matter what
  - a. **Proverbs 23:25** Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall rejoice.

### What are the things we should never do to them.

1. Never curse them

- a. **Proverbs 20:20** Whoso curseth his father or his mother, his lamp shall be put out in obscure darkness.
2. Never dishonor them
  - a. **Matthew 15:4** For God commanded, saying, Honour thy father and mother: and, He that curseth father or mother, let him die the death.
3. Never touch them, physically or otherwise
  - a. **Psalms 105:15** Saying, Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm.