Mothers Serving God

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INTRODUCTION

- Being a mother who serves God and who raises her children to serve God is one of the most difficult responsibilities in the world.
- Are there any moms in the Bible who serve God? Are there any moms in the Bible who can inspire us and encourage us and provide hope for moms today?
- There are several mothers in the Bible who served God, who helped their families serve God.

1 Jochebed Protected Her Son in a Dangerous World

Exodus 2:1–10; Exodus 6:20

- The woman conceived and bore a son. And when she saw that he was beautiful, she hid him for three months.
- Jochebed had to give birth to Moses during a time when the law required him to be put to death, and yet the Holy Spirit tells us that she had the faith and the courage to protect him.
- You can still protect your children in a spiritually dangerous world.
- You can do that first by protecting them from evil associations, by carefully monitoring who they're hanging out with and who their friends are.
- You can hold your children accountable to godly speech and godly morals and godly character and tell them to treat people right.

2 Eunice Instilled in Her Son a Sincere Faith

Acts 16:1; 2 Timothy 1:5; 2 Timothy 3:14–15

- For I am mindful of the sincere faith within you, which first dwelt in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice, and I'm sure that it is in you as well.
- Like Eunice, you also can instill within your children right now a sincere faith.
- You can do that by picking up the Bible every day and reading the Bible with them.
- From childhood you've known the sacred writings, which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.
- Not only did she teach him the scriptures, but she also lived the scriptures in front of him.
- There are a lot of people we can fool in this world when it comes to our faith, but one group of people we cannot fool is we can't fool our kids.

3 The Wife of Zebedee Wanted Her Sons Near Jesus

Matthew 20:20–28

- Command that in your kingdom these two sons of mine may sit, one on your right and one on your left.

- It was not foolish for her to want her sons to be near Jesus. It was not foolish for her to have big expectations for her sons in the kingdom of God.
- Today is the day to begin prioritizing what Mrs. Z prioritize with her sons, and that's Jesus. That's being close to Jesus.
- A mother can demonstrate that kind of desire for her children by prioritizing worship.
- A mother can also prioritize her children getting close to Jesus by motivating and even pushing them into some kingdom work.

4 The Mother of King Lemuel Gave Her Son Godly Wisdom

Proverbs 31

- The chapter actually begins with King Lemuel's mom giving her son advice.
- She tells him emphatically that drinking alcohol is foolish, it is dangerous, it can destroy your life.
- She also instructs him to be a servant. She tells him to help people, to bless people, to defend even the outcast of society, the poor of society.
- You pick a wife that's going to make you better, not worse. You pick a wife that has godly character and godly conduct.
- Even today, you can help your family serve God by offering your children wisdom.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **Maybe there's somebody here this morning who needs to come to Jesus, maybe for the first time through faith and repentance and baptism, or maybe there's someone here who needs to come to him again because you've fallen away.**

MY NOTES