

Introduction: Today is that wonderful Sunday we call Mother's Day, a day when we celebrate our mothers and mother figures. Some of you may be wondering what Mother's Day has to do with the church. Is the society supposed to dictate what we teach and do in church? As I have wondered about these things, I have realized that many times in history, the church has taken a secular holiday and given it a sacred meaning and used it to build our faith. This is the case for Mother's Day. I believe it is good for us to take this secular celebration and use it to teach Biblical principles.

Why Honor Mothers?

1. Godly Mothers are Wise: Godly mothers have unbelievable wisdom put in them by the Heavenly Father. Proverbs 31:26 says, "She opens her mouth with wisdom & on her tongue is the law of kindness."

Example of good mothers:

Lois and Eunice were a mother/daughter team that raised up a man of God, Timothy. (2 Timothy 1:5) Eunice and Lois influenced Timothy with religious values.

Susana Wesley had great religious influence on John Wesley, and Charles Wesley and they became successful servants of God.

Down through the years, the wisdom of Thomas Edison's mother (Nancy) still rings true to us today. Her son Thomas became the world's greatest inventor of the light bulb we can use today.



According to Proverbs 31, we hear that a Godly mother understands what is true and what is right because her wisdom and knowledge comes from God. She understands God's plan of salvation because she knows the word of God. She teaches her children right from wrong.

2. A Godly mother has enormous trust. This trust comes from knowing Jesus. Jesus said, "All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away" (John 6:37)

A Mother says the same thing Jesus says and that is: "Whoever comes to me I will never drive away." Her arms are wide open to those who are in need and those in need can be assured of a confident relationship.



What should we remember to do on Mothers' Day for our mothers?

1. Remember to give her a gift.

2. To honor her as the Word says in Exodus 20:12, and in Matthew 15:4, he is once again debating with the Pharisees and says, "For God said, 'Honor your father and mother' and 'Anyone who curses his father or mother must be put to death.'"

3. Forgive Her. Colossians 3:13 says "as Christ forgave you, so also you must do".