



Families In Focus

“A Biblical Portrait Of Mothers”

- Introduction:
1. There is no way to overstate the importance of a Godly mother in a home.
 2. Proverbs have been attached to the importance of motherhood.
 - a. The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world.
 - b. An ounce of mother is worth a pound of preachers.
 - c. “As is the mother, so is her daughter” (Ezekiel 16:44).
 3. There is much more to motherhood than biological reproduction.
 4. Any woman who has no physiological abnormalities can have children, but not just anyone can be a mother as God defines in his word.

I. The Biblical Role Of Motherhood

- A. (1 Timothy 5:14) — Marry, bear children, guide the house...
- B. (Titus 2:4-5) — Love husbands, love children, keepers of the home...
- C. (1 Timothy 2:12-15) — Saved in childbearing...
- D. These passages portray the mother as one who is a faithful wife, loves her children, displays a proper example before them, is respectful of her husband’s authority, guides her home, and works in the home.
- E. This is not the typical concept of motherhood in our changing culture, but it is the biblical concept.
- F. It is not that biblical motherhood has been tried and found wanting, it just has not been tried, period!

II. Biblical Portraits Of Mothers

- A. Hannah — Dedication.
 1. (1 Samuel 1:11) She dedicated Samuel to the Lord.
 2. When we fail to give our children to the Lord, we lose them.
 3. By giving her child to the Lord, Hannah gained her son.
- B. The Virtuous woman of Proverbs 31.
 1. Industrious.
 2. Benevolent.
 3. Wise.
 4. Guides Her House.
 5. Fears the Lord.

- Conclusion:
1. There is more that could be said of Eunice, Lois, Mary, and Elizabeth and others.
 2. We need mothers who will guide and teach their children the virtues of godly living.
 3. It is not an easy task, but it is a necessary one.

