



SERMON NOTES

Week 2 May 11, 2025

"Mother's Day"

1 Kings 21:8-10; 2 Kings 11:1-2, 12:2; Luke 2:43-46



I. The Worst Mom of the Old Testament

- A. The book of Genesis tells us about a number of _____ mothers.
- B. Queen _____ has anyone who gets in her way put to death.
- C. Athaliah kills her own _____ so that she can reign as queen.

II. No Perfect Moms

- A. There are no perfect _____; not even the Virgin Mary.
- B. Forgiveness is giving up our right to _____.
- C. There is an acronym that is helpful in practicing _____ (RAP).
 - a. R – Remember your own shortcomings.
 - b. A – Assume the best not the worst.
 - c. P – Pray.

III. Jehosheba

- A. Jehosheba saves her one-year-old nephew _____, from being killed by his grandmother (Athaliah) and she raises him for the next 6 years.
- B. We are all called to be a _____ for someone else.
- C. Joash did what was right in the sight of the Lord and was one of the greatest _____ of Israel.

Things I Would Like to Remember About This Message



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INTRODUCTION

Each Mother's Day we honor and celebrate our moms. And no matter what generation you are from, being a mom can be difficult. Throughout scripture we see that there are no perfect moms and we also discover that there were some really bad moms. The Virgin Mary was the best mom in scripture, but even she lost Jesus when he was 12. So what lessons do we learn from scripture on this Mother's Day?

Monday: 2 Kings 8:25-27, 11:1-3; Exodus 1:22-2:10

Moses played a pivotal role in the Bible story. He was the human instrument God used to deliver Israel from slavery in Egypt. How crucial were his mother's (and sister's) courage and creativity in saving his life? In what ways do you see God's power at work with and through Moses' loving family? What blessings and limitations do you see in your own life, past and present?

Tuesday: Mark 3:20-35, John 19:25-27

How could Jesus' mother have so significantly misunderstood what her son was doing in carrying out his mission? Have your parents ever failed to understand you, or you to understand your children or siblings? How can you offer wisdom and support to those you love, and yet keep from heavy-handedly trying to control their lives?

Wednesday: 1 Samuel 1:10-11, 19-20, 24-28, 2:18-19

The full story in 1 Samuel 1 said that when Eli the high priest saw Hannah weeping and praying silently, he at first thought she was drunk. In fact, she was simply turning to God to express her sadness and distress. When you experience anguish or distress, are you more inclined to take those feelings to God in prayer, or to distance yourself from God?

Thursday: Proverbs 31:15-30

Which of the qualities or activities this passage mentions, if any, have you experienced from a mother or mother figure? Are there any of them that you have been able to do for your own or someone else's children? What are some activities for wives and mothers today that are similar to the ones the ancient Hebrew writer mentioned?

Friday: Exodus 20:12, Ephesians 6:1-4

Would it be possible for a parent to make a demand that you could not obey "in the Lord"? Have you ever had to face a painful situation like that? If so, what did you do? Have you ever obeyed your parent(s) when what they asked went against your wishes, but not against God's teachings?

MOVING FORWARD

Being a mom is a really hard job and it requires grace. For those people who have a broken relationship with their mothers, you need to extend forgiveness to your mom, and your mom should extend forgiveness to you. And we don't have to be biological moms to carry out the role of a mom and have an impact on the life of a child. We are all called to be a Jehosheba for someone else.

Answers to the sermon notes: IA) flawed, B) Jezebel, C) grandchildren. IIA) moms, IIB) retaliation, C) forgiveness. IIIA) Joash, B) Jehosheba, C) kings.