

Mothers in the Bible

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1. General Bible verses concerning mothers
2. Case studies of mothers in the Bible
3. Thanksgiving for our mothers and “mother figures”

1. General References

- a. The Origin, Genesis 3:20, 4:1
- b. The Law, Exodus 20:12 (obedience brings blessing, as Ephesians 6:1-3); Leviticus 19:3; Deuteronomy 27:16
- c. Proverbs, 1:8, 23:22-25, 29:15, 30:11,17
- d. The Love, 1 Kings 3:26; Isaiah 49:15; Luke 2:35; John 19:25-27

2. Case Studies

- a. Jochebed the mother of Moses, Exodus 6:20, 2:1-10, her willingness to sacrifice for her child, and her constancy
- b. Hannah the mother of Samuel, 1 Samuel 1:19-2:10; Psalm 113:9, the gift of a child and his dedication
- c. Mary the mother of Jesus, Luke 1:46-55, 2:41-48,51-52, overwhelmed by God’s blessing, godly upbringing
- d. Peter’s Mother-in-Law, Mark 1:21,29-31, 2:1, a life of service
- e. Lois the Grandmother of Timothy, 2 Timothy 1:5, the legacy, the positive result of the principle of Ezekiel 16:44

3. Thanksgiving

- a. Proverbs 31:28; James 1:17, while not failing to praise her, the Christian does not fail to thank God for the gift of her also
- b. Specific examples enjoined to be shared
- c. Specific prayers