

## **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY**

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It's a big responsibility to be a mother. All women who are mothers, desire to be mothers or have maternal influence over others should really seek God for wisdom. Giving birth to a child means that child may call you mother. However, to be a mother in deed is a long term position. One can never retire from being a mother. As long as one's mother or mother surrogate is living, we seek them out for guidance, love and support.

It is not a position one should feel comfortable doing without the leading of the Spirit of God. Mother's should never be biased toward their own when they are wrong. It takes a woman of integrity to confront her children (minors or adults) and let them know when they are wrong. Mother's are not there to make us feel good but teach us to be good.



We need more mother figures that are committed to their faith in God and willing to transfer that thinking to their offspring or to those who look to them for insight. In the writing of 2 Timothy 1:5 it eludes to the idea that Timothy's mother and grandmother were strong women of faith toward God and put that characteristic into Timothy. Paul indicates his confidence that Timothy had unfeigned (not pretended) faith in him. Paul states that this 'for real' faith was in his grandmother Lois first and then his mother (Eunice) and in him also.

That's a real life altering testimony to have others see a woman who operates in life reflecting a real faith in God! As modern day women we need to ask ourselves, "What does my life reflect?" Our prayer should be: Lord, teach me to be the right example of how to live by pleasing you while walking by faith and keeping it real. I want to make the right impact on the lives of those I influence.

Abundant blessings this Mother's Day and always!

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