

3. 2 Timothy 1:5-7 Starting with this passage, describe and expand on the influence of a mother and a grandmother through the years. (see Proverbs 31:1)

4. Proverbs 29:15 What does "a child left to himself" mean, and how can that bring shame to his mother?

5. Genesis 2:24 Describe how this passage addresses how a mother's influence changes in time and as events in a child's life unfold.

6. Ruth 3:1-5 From this passage, what is it that Naomi has to offer Ruth? How might this be applied to your own current station in life?

"Only God Himself fully appreciates the influence of a Christian mother in the molding of character in her children." - Billy Graham

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Sermon Notes**

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Introduction

1. Mothers _____ the life of their children as a gift from God. Psalm 139:13 -14

2. Mothers _____ the hearts of their children to trust in God. Palm 22:9

3. Mothers _____ faith in God to their children. 2 Timothy 1:5



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Digging Deeper Various Passages

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4. Mothers _____ their children
in obedience to God. Proverbs 29:15

4. Mother's _____ their children
to God at the appropriate time. Genesis 2:18

6. Mothers _____ their children
for God for a lifetime. Ruth 3:1-5

Questions

Ice Breaker: I find it interesting when someone is asked who has had the biggest influence on their life. Sometimes it's a coach or a close friend, but more often it is a parent, even when an older individual is asked, with family of his or her own. A parent's influence can stand the test of time.

Who has had the biggest influence on your life AND who are you currently pouring your life into?

1. Psalm 139:13-18 When the child is in it's most vulnerable state, a mother nurtures and protects her child. How do David's expressions of God's thoughts about us, explain why He would choose a process like a 9 month pregnancy to bring children into this world?

2. Psalm 22:9; 71:6 Describe how these passages confirm the influence mothers have on how children think about God