HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Let's read a description of a Godly woman:

Proverbs 31:10-31

Who can find a wife of noble character?[1] She is far more precious than jewels.^[g] ¹¹ The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will not lack anything good. ¹² She rewards him with good, not evil, all the days of her life. ¹³ She selects wool and flax and works with willing hands. ¹⁴ She is like the merchant ships, bringing her food from far away. ¹⁵ She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household and portions^[h] for her female servants. ¹⁶ She evaluates a field and buys it; she plants a vineyard with her earnings.^[j] ¹⁷ She draws on her strength^[]] and reveals that her arms are strong. ¹⁸ She sees that her profits are good, and her lamp never goes out at night. ¹⁹ She extends her hands to the spinning staff, and her hands hold the spindle. ²⁰ Her hands reach^[k] out to the poor, and she extends her hands to the needy. ²¹ She is not afraid for her household when it snows, for all in her household are doubly clothed.[]] ²² She makes her own bed coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple. ²³ Her husband is known at the city gates, where he sits among the elders of the land. ²⁴ She makes and sells linen garments; she delivers belts^[m] to the merchants. ²⁵ Strength and honor are her clothing, and she can laugh at the time to come.

²⁶ Her mouth speaks wisdom, and loving instruction^[n] is on her tongue.
²⁷ She watches over the activities of her household and is never idle.^[0]
²⁸ Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also praises her:
²⁹ "Many women^[p] have done noble deeds, but you surpass them all!"
³⁰ Charm is deceptive and beauty is fleeting, but a woman who fears the LORD will be praised.
³¹ Give her the reward of her labor,^[n] and let her works praise her at the city gates.

Share:

Mothers are a blessing! We may appreciate it more on some days than others, but it is still true. And we are to honor and respect our mothers. God promises us a blessing when we do this, which makes it an even better idea! Our mothers love us, stand by us, take care of us and teach us good things. For this we owe them our respect. Let's honor them!

The Bible has several verses to remind us to honor and respect our moms.

- 1 Thessalonians 2:7-8 ⁷ But we were very gentle with you.^[a] We were like a mother caring for her little children. ⁸ Because we loved you
- Leviticus 19:3 ³ "'Each person among you must respect his mother and father. And you must keep my Sabbaths. I am the Lord your God
- Proverbs 6:20 My son, keep your father's commands. Don't forget your mother's teaching

Lesson: Mothers are to be Respected Mothers care for their children

•. (Ask the children to say who is in their family. Let them share with you about their parents and caregivers. You may mention grandmothers, aunts, etc.)

- These are very important people in our lives!
- They care for us. How do they do that?
 - What kinds of things do mothers do to take care of us? (Wait for answers.) (They feed us. They help us get dressed. They keep us warm. They play with us. They tuck us in at night.)
 - Very good! Those are very good answers.

We know by the things that they do for us We are to respect our mothers.

• If our mothers take care of us, it's only fair that we do something nice for them in return.

• In His Word (the Bible) God tells us that we are to respect our mothers. What does that word mean? RESPECT? (Wait for answers. They will probably not be able to define the word. But they may give you examples of what it means to them.)

Respect means that we are to hold that person in a special place in our hearts, and think highly of them. We are to listen to what our mothers say.

• In the case of our mother, we are to care about what she says.

- When she talks we need to listen to her. We are to try and do the things she asks us to do.
 - And we are to listen and to learn from her.
 - God has given our mother to us to help take care of us AND to help us learn things we need to know!
 - Let's pray and thank God for our mothers! that mothers care for their children.
 - God has given us our mothers to help take care of us!

PRAYER:

Dear God, Thank you that you have given each of us people to care for us!

Thank you especially for our mothers!

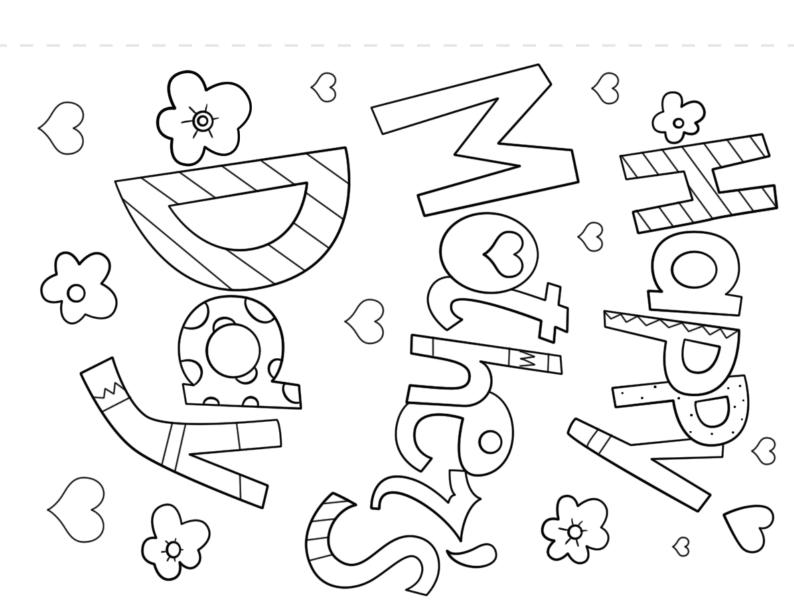
Please bless our mothers today and always!

Amen

Suggested Activities:

Make a Mother's Day Card

Choose from the attached card templates to print out. Let the kids color and give to mom.



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