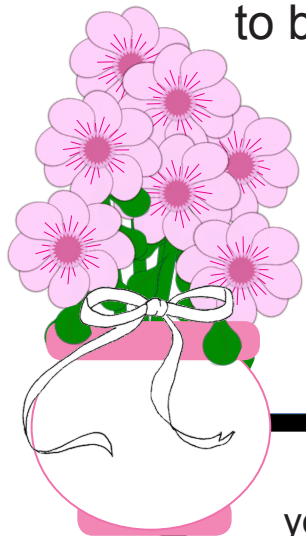


MOTHER'S DAY Celebration

God's Plan for Mothers---
to be Honored.



“Honor
your father and
your mother,
so that you may live long
in the land. . . .”

Exodus 20: 12

TRUTH SEEKERS



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“Teachable Moments”

- ✿ This lesson would probably be most effective for the child's learning and the mother's encouragement if the father would take the lead in discussing these truths. You will notice that the activities and music for your child will contribute to these learning opportunities
- ✿ **Coloring Activity:** Remember, while the child is coloring will be a chance to ask questions or continue discussion.
- ✿ **Think 'n' Write Activities:** There are two special ones that will help your child focus on how important their mother is and how busy. This is a great time to ask: *WHY is mother so important to you? How can you be a helper?* The WORD SEARCH also can provoke thinking about the meaning of some of the key words in the scripture passage.
- ✿ **Writing a Letter:** Help your child, as needed, in writing a letter to their mother. Once again, help your child formulate their thoughts and feelings with questions and discussion. With wee little ones, you might do the writing as they dictate.
- ✿ **Truth Search (activity)** Reading the scripture and searching for the simple truths is essential. Opportunity to respond with YES or NO is part of the application process. You might discover, for your family, that doing it with individual children rather than a group, would be more beneficial.
- ✿ **Enjoy singing together:** *Wonderful Mother*

(Permission granted to make extra copies of coloring or game pages for other children in the family as needed.)

Simple Truths

1 Everyone has a mother.

Why do I need a mother?

- God created women to birth the babies.
- Mothers are to care for the babies.
- Remember: It was God's idea to give Jesus a mother to help him grow on this earth.
- You also need help growing up, being loved and taught and protected.

2 Mothers are very special to GOD.

What is GOD'S plan for Mothers?

- to be honored
- to be respected
- to be obeyed by children
- to be loved

3 Mothers are very busy people.

Should I be a helper?

Relationships create responsibilities:

- in the home
- in the extended family
- in the community & nation
- in the church

4 I should obey my mother.

Why should I obey my mother?

- God commands it.
- It pleases GOD.
- For a long and happy life
- It is the right thing to do.

"Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor your father and mother--which is the first commandment with a promise--that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth."

Ephesians 6:1-3

"Children obey your parents in everything for this pleases the Lord." Colossians 3:20

Wonderful Mother

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Musical score for the song "Wonderful Mother" in 4/4 time, key of F major. The score is divided into four systems, each with a measure number in a box (1, 4, 7, 11). Chords are indicated above the staff. The lyrics are written below the notes.

1 F C7 Dm
I have a wond - er - ful moth - er. She is spe - cial to

4 C7 B^b F B^b G7
me and ev - ry - day in man - y ways God's

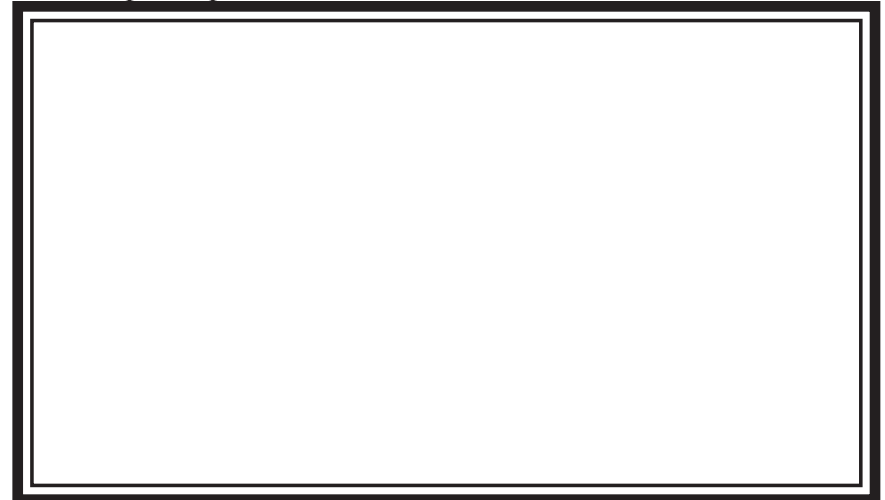
7 C7 F Fine F Gm C7
love in her I see. I am blest, I am loved,

11 Dm 1 Gm C7 2 G7 C7
Thank you God for my wond - er - ful moth - er. moth - er

D.C. al Fine

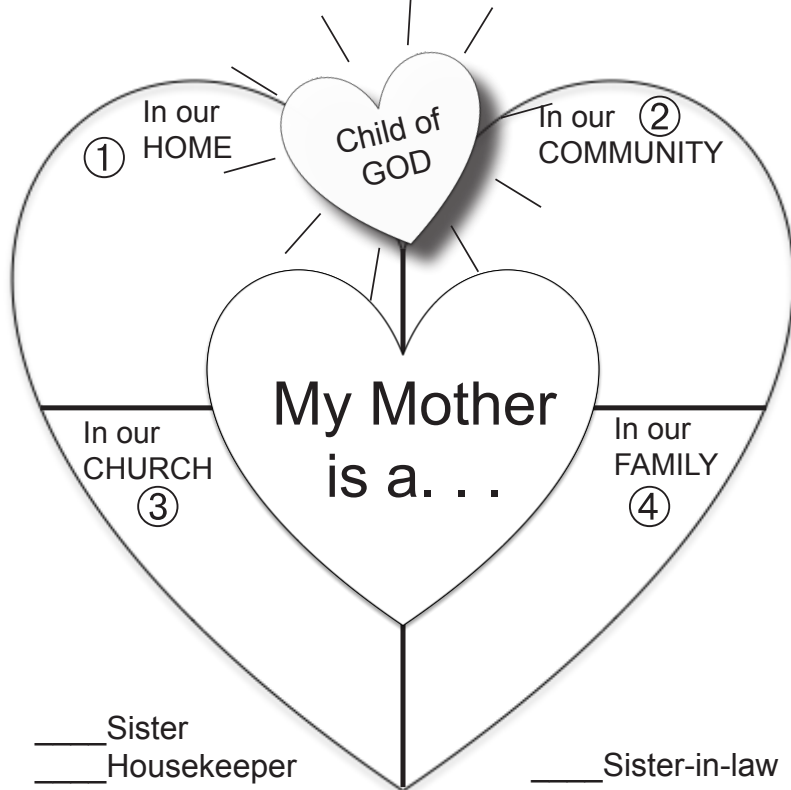
Me & My Mother

Draw or post a picture here.



My mother's name is _____.

When we say that someone "wears lots of hats" we are saying that they have lots of jobs-to-do or responsibilities; they are very busy. Number each of the job-titles (hats) listed below; some might have more than one number. Remember, as a christian, she is a "child of God" wherever she goes.



- ___ Sister
- ___ Housekeeper
- ___ Grandma
- ___ Friend
- ___ Citizen
- ___ Member
- ___ Wife
- ___ Aunt
- ___ Daughter
- ___ Small business owner

- ___ Sister-in-law
- ___ Daughter-in-law
- ___ Ministry (helper)
- ___ Teacher
- ___ Mother
- ___ Neighbor
- ___ Chef (cook)
- ___ Nurse
- ___ Shopper

My Mother is a . . .

(Discover your 3-word answer with the Alphabet Code.)

22	V	9	I	16	P
5		13		5	
18		16		18	
25		15		19	
		18		15	
		20		14	
		1			
		14			
		20			

Alphabet Code

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	



“Treasure Word”

Choose a crayon of your choice and color ONLY the squares with the letter m to discover the “Treasure Word” of our search.

m	t	m	b	l	o	w	e	p	s	t	n	k	c	v	a	d	r	u
m	b	m	l	o	w	p	s	t	n	k	c	v	a	d	g	o	s	t
m	o	m	w	e	m	p	s	d	t	n	k	a	m	c	v	u	a	e
								m								m		
m	m	m	p	m	s	m	t	m	m	m	n	m	k	m	c	m	m	m
m	t	m	b	m	l	m	o	m	w	m	e	m	p	m	s	m	t	m
m	w	m	e	m	p	m	s	m	t	m	n	m	k	m	v	m	a	d
m	b	m	l	o	m	w	p	m	s	m	t	n	m	k	c	m	v	a

What does it mean?

_____ means to show respect.

(Write the Treasure Word.)

Say “Thank You”.

Help when there is a need.

Kneel down.

Show good manners.

How can we show respect?

Put a check (✓) in each box of the things you could say or do to show respect for your Mother.

Say something nice.

Hang a special picture of Mother.

Bow down.

Speak politely to Mother.

Why should I _____ my Mother?

Say “Yes, mother”.
(as you obey)

Discover what GOD says in His Word.
(Go to the next page.)

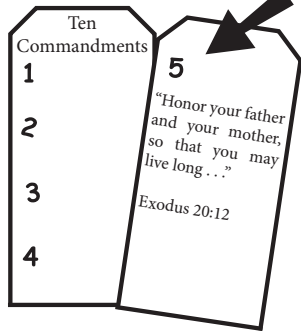
Stand and Salute.



TRUTH SEARCH



Is this command important?



YES

NO

Should I obey it ?

YES

NO

GOD said: "OBEY"

"Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long. . ." Exodus 20:12

"Honor your father and your mother, as the LORD your God has commanded you."

". . . so that you may live long, and that it may go well with you. . ." Deut. 5:16

In the Gospels, Jesus reminds us----

"Honor your father and mother. . ." Matt. 15:4

"Honor your father and your mother." Mark 7:10

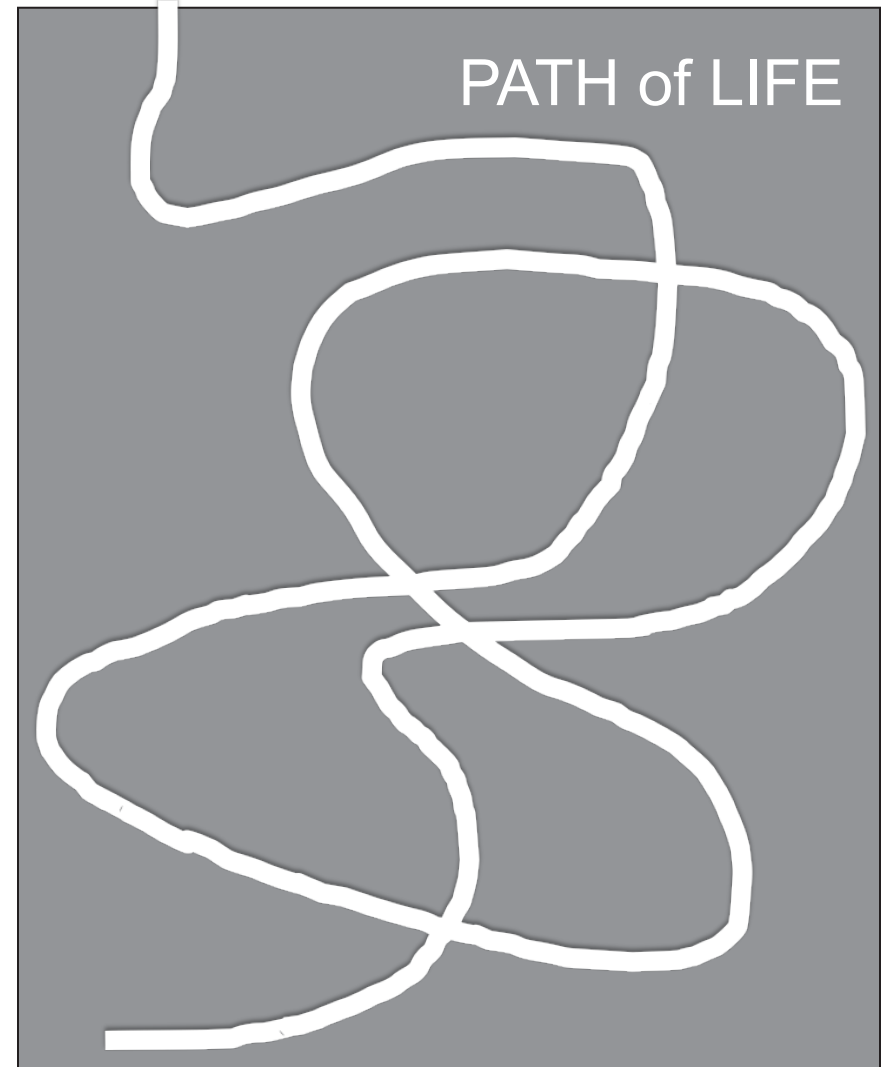
". . . Honor your father and mother." Mark 10:19

"You know the commandments: . . . honor your father and mother." Luke 18:20

In the early church and today, the Apostle Paul reminds us----

"Children obey your parents in everything for this pleases the Lord." Colossians 3:20

If I obey GOD and Honor my father and **mother**. . .
(Follow the path with a crayon to discover the consequences or benefits.)



Then

It pleases GOD. _____

READ these verses.

Find the answer.

Write the reference(s).

I can have a long, happy life _____

It is the right thing to do. _____

Word Search

(Find and circle the **bold words** from the verses below)



C	H	I	L	D	R	E	N
A	O	T	A	P	M	R	O
F	N	M	A	S	D	H	B
A	O	H	M	B	L	I	E
T	R	S	C	A	B	E	Y
H	P	A	R	E	N	T	S
E	A	F	H	O	F	D	T
R	M	M	O	T	H	E	R

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Write a letter to your Mother.
Send her some love with your words.

Dear _____,

