

# The Bulletin

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### ***“The Role Of Mother In The Home”***

By Irvin Lee

The mother has a special place of responsibility in the home. Aged women are to teach *“the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, to be discrete, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed”* (Tit. 2:4, 5). This one passage does a wonderful job of outlining the role of the mother in the home.

Let us think of that mature woman who still has a responsibility to her daughters even though they may also be homemakers. The training should have started early while the daughters were young, but the teaching may continue because there are many important lessons that need to be deeply implanted in these young women. One way the older women may teach the young is by their own example of chastity, modesty, and good judgment in clothing, and in behavior. If there were more mothers with strong convictions, there would be more daughters with strong characters.



Who will turn our immoral and unchaste generation back to purity and sobriety? It is very evident that comparatively few older women have been training the young women in the way they should go. Divorce, unfaithfulness to the marriage partner, drunkenness, and a complete lack of spirituality have come to many young women in America. Such people are in no position to be the mothers of the next generation.

Many do not want children because they are so in love with money and with worldliness. Are there those who can get to these young women with the Bible to instill the principles their mothers should have taught them? It will not be easy. Most of the ungodly will continue to sow to the flesh and to reap of the same. "Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life" (Gal. 6:7, 8).

To "guide the house" as a "keeper at home" is a special assignment to young women.

"Therefore I desire that the younger widows marry, bear children, manage the house, give no opportunity to the adversary to speak reproachfully" (1 Tim. 5:14)

Eunice and Lois must have done their work well at home because Timothy was given the "unfeigned faith" and knowledge of the Holy Scriptures that helped make him the great servant of the Lord that he was:

*"when I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also"* (2 Tim. 1:5);

*"But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, 15 and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus"* (2 Tim. 3:14);

*"But I trust in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you shortly, that I also may be encouraged when I know your state. For I have no one like-minded, who will sincerely care for your state. For all seek their own, not the things*

*which are of Christ Jesus. But you know his proven character, that as a son with his father he served with me in the gospel. Therefore I hope to send him at once, as soon as I see how it goes with me" (Phil. 2:19-23).*

Is there a more important and satisfying work than guiding and training such excellent people to be the salt of the earth? The work of a good mother is so important that nothing should hinder or turn her aside from this glorious task.

It may seem to some that young mothers will naturally love their children, but very many young children are at home by themselves in summer. Some mothers forsake their husbands and children to live with companions to whom they have no legal right. The Lord knows that young women need to be taught to love their children, and to have a proper discretion and soberness of mind to be guides for these children. Mothers and fathers are accountable to God for what they make of their homes. It would be impossible to over emphasize the importance of the role of the father and of the mother in the home. The failures that are made in this realm could hardly be more evident. Worthy and successful parents are blessed, and they deserve our congratulations.

Many children are now growing up in the homes where there is only one parent. In some cases they are with one parent a while and then with the other. It is next to impossible for a good man alone to give his children all they need in the way of guidance and training. If the mother still sleeps at home but is hardly with the child this is only one degree better than her being gone into another state. She who bears children should guide the house.

Are there not many women in the labor market in the very period of life when they are so much needed at home?

The word mother was once considered to be a word with very great significance. As more women began using vulgar and blasphemous language, drinking alcohol, forsaking the home in search of money and notoriety, and becoming immodest and immoral, the special respect for women in general was lost. There are still some of the very best mothers, and their children love and honor them. We should all thank God for these virtuous women because it is the influence of His word that causes them to be so worthy of respect.

## **“The Procrastinating Servant”**

By Jack Williams

**14 years old:** "I've just become a Christian, I don't know enough and I'm still too young to be involved in the work of the church."

**16 years old:** "I've just got my driver's license. I have to work to take care of my driving expenses. And of course this is the time in my life when I am very busy with friends, and you wouldn't believe all the school activities I have! I'll get involved a little later."

**18 years old:** "I just graduated from high school! Now I need a little time for myself before I enter the 'real world'. I'll have more time for the work of the church later."

**20 years old:** "I never knew college took so much time! When I get out and on my own I'll have time for church work then."

**22 years old:** "Boy, did you have any idea how hard it was to get started in the work place? It takes all my energy to get my career on line. And on top of that I just got married - I have to spend time to mold my new family life, too. In a couple of years I'll be ready to really dig into the work of the church."

**24 years old:** "Children! I never believed my parents when they told me how much time and money it took to raise them. I sure don't have time for the work of the church now, but when my kids get older I'll be able to do my share of the work then."

**36 years old:** "It seems the older the kids get the more they are involved in! Home from work, then to the school functions, then sports. I'll be glad when the kids get older so I can really be involved in the work of the church."

**46 years old:** "I've never had so much fun! Grandchildren! I should have had them first! I can't deprive them, but when they get older I'll be able to really be involved in the church."

**56 years old:** "I'm on my last push at work now. I've got to really bear down for a few years so I can be ready for retirement. And of course we have our place at the lake we're fixing up. In a few years I'll be able to quit the 'rat race' and really get involved in the church."

**66 years old:** "Retired at last! I've worked hard so many years and now I can enjoy the fruit of my efforts. It's time now for the young ones here at church to carry on and let us 'veterans' rest a little."

## **“A Swarm Of Gospel Be’s”**

Definition of Be- to have a specified qualification or characterization.

Lesson Text: **2 Timothy 2:24-25.**

– Be Gentle- **Titus 3:2.**

As opposed to: \_\_\_\_\_.

– Be Merciful- **Luke 6:36.**

As opposed to: \_\_\_\_\_.

– Be Holy- **1 Peter 1:15-16.**

As opposed to: \_\_\_\_\_.

– Be Ready- **1 Peter 3:15; Matthew 24:44.**

As opposed to: \_\_\_\_\_.

– Be Sober & Watchful- **1 Thessalonians 5:6-8; 1 Peter 5:8.**

As opposed to: \_\_\_\_\_.

– Be Humble- **James 4:6; Romans 12:16.**

As opposed to: \_\_\_\_\_.

– Be Content- **Luke 3:14; 1 Timothy 6:8.**

As opposed to: \_\_\_\_\_.

– Be Steadfast, Immoveable- **1 Corinthians 15:58.**

As opposed to: \_\_\_\_\_.

– Be Kind- **Ephesians 4:32.**

As opposed to: \_\_\_\_\_.

– Be Patient- **James 5:7.**

As opposed to: \_\_\_\_\_.

– Be Wise- **Matthew 10:16; 1 Corinthians 14:20 ESV.**

As opposed to: \_\_\_\_\_.

– Be Doers of the Word- **James 1:22.**

As opposed to: \_\_\_\_\_.

– Be Zealous- **Revelation 3:19.**

As opposed to: \_\_\_\_\_.

– Be Transformed- **Romans 12:2.**

As opposed to: \_\_\_\_\_.

– Be Baptized- **Acts 22:16; 1 Peter 4:17-- 2 Thessalonians 1:8.**

## **“A Mother’s Love”**

Lesson Text: **Romans 16:13**. Rufus’ mother was also a mother to Paul.

### **I. A Mother’s Love Is Shown By Her Heart.**

- Paul Defines Real Love in **1 Corinthians 13:4-8**. (Qualities of a Mother’s Love!)
- Compare: **1 Thessalonians 2:7** With **2 Timothy 3:3**.

– Her Love Makes The Family A Priority.

Being a Good Wife, Mother, Instructor, Organizer, Cook, Disciplinarian, Chauffeur....

- Her Love Makes Sacrifices For The Family.  
(Give Their Children The Best—What They Never Had).
- Her Love Treasures the Family!
- **Luke 2:51**. Mary Treasured Her Time As Jesus’ Mother!
- Her Love Makes The Home Happy!

### **II. A Mother’s Love Is Shown By Her Words.**

- **Proverbs 31:26**.
- Her Instructions- **Proverbs 6:20-23; Eph. 6:1-3**.
- Her Corrections- **Proverbs 27:5; Proverbs 9:8-9**.
- Her Affirmation Of Her Love- **Titus 2:4**.
- Her Encouragement- **Proverbs 25:11**.
- Her Faith- **Acts 1:14; 2 Timothy 1:5**.

### **III. A Mother’s Love Is Shown By Her Work.**

- The Foolish Words Of A Young Man..... *“Mom Doesn’t Work!”*
- **Prov. 31:13-27**, we see that mothers do all kinds of work.
- The Job Description of a Mother.

#### **Job Overview:**

Children are seeking an adult to care for them at all hours of the day, every day of the week, with minimal breaks. You will be responsible for the upbringing of these children. You will be responsible for making sure that they have enough to eat, that they are properly bathed, and that no accidents fall upon them. This is all to be completed while they push against everything you say, at all times.

#### **Responsibilities And Duties:**

- Must be able to cook multiple meals at once, and must be done efficiently and quickly.
- Be able to read stories over and over again, sometimes making your own up as you go.
- Clean up multiple messes of every kind, several times a day, every day without fail.
- Be a constant chauffeur & make sure that children get to school & appointments on time.
- Be a constant source of entertainment, companionship, and learning and nap times.
- Be prepared to train children in the ways of the Lord and prepare them for eternity.
- Be on call 24/7.... Seriously, there are no breaks—Working even while on vacation!

#### **Rewards:**

– A lifetime of hugs, love, and appreciation— But only when your employers grow up to fully realize how great a mother’s love is for her children! — **Proverbs 31:28-30**.

**News and Notes:** Sick and recovering: Tim Harris Sr, Tim Harris Jr, Chad Harris, Daniel Holloway, Debbie Keplinger, Janis Johnson, Sam Johnson, J F Dancer, Robbie, Sheila, Sherry Doles, Nannette Chancellor, Sandi Poole, Nathan Cox, Wesley Trimble, Greyson Reynolds (Nellie's classmate) went home to recover last week. Janis Johnson (Savannah), and Robert Howard (Doug and Pat's son in law) Tim Harris Sr. is having some procedures done to his foot- Prayers for a good recovery. Nathan Meade is recovery from a broken leg. And Sandra Oliver had surgery last week and is recovering.

**Those Who Serve:**

**Sunday Morning 9:00 A.M. Service:**

**Opening Prayer:** Tim Harris Jr.  
**Preaching:** Brian Meade  
**Sermon #1:** "A Swarm Of Gospel Be's"

**Auditorium Bible Class: 9:35am:**

Fred Johnson  
Galatians (Randy Blackaby)  
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**Sunday Morning 10:30 A.M. Service:**

**Announcements:** Russell Briggs  
**Opening Prayer & Scripture Reading:** Paul Johnson  
*Romans 16:12-13*  
**Song Leader:** Paul Busby  
**Lord's Supper:** Danny Sheffield  
**Assisting:** — —  
**Preaching:** Brian Meade  
  
**Sermon #2:** "A Mother's Love"  
**Closing Prayer:** Russell Briggs

**Wednesday Evening: 7:00 P.M.**

**May 11th:**

**Auditorium Bible Class:** Paul Busby  
**Workbook:** Jeremiah & Lamentations  
(John Humphries)  
*Page #24, Question #1*  
**Starting Page & Question:** Russell Briggs  
**Invitation:** Brian Meade  
**Song Leader:** Tim Harris Sr.  
**Closing Prayer:**