

“I Remember Mama”

2 Timothy 1:5

There once was a TV program titled, “*I Remember Mama.*” It eulogized what a good mother was like. Yet today, we have portrayed immoral mothers, stupid mothers, nagging mothers and mothers-in-laws. Importance of mothers, their influence on us. Physically, psychologically and spiritually.

Introduction

The importance of mothers to all of us. Their influence, habits, personalities, DNA

(ie) Thomas Edison Addled – “your son is a genius, we cannot teach him here.”

Your son is addled, incurable, and mentally ill, keep him at home. Wept mother protected me from this.

Susanna Wesley 19 children 9 died early in life.

(ie) Prayer time apron. In kitchen, No child speak to me and no tugging my apron

Rules.

1. No child received because cried for it
2. I you must cry, Cry softly
3. No eating or drinking between meals
4. Sleeping regulated 3 hours am until educated
5. Punctual bed 7 pm, 8 pm out
6. Eat and drink all before you
7. Little ones table fork knife
8. Never allowed scolding. Explain

1. Timothy Had a Great Mother and Grandmother

1. Greek Father, Jewish Mother – Acts 16:1
2. Circumcised as an adult – Acts 16:3
3. His mother & grandmother were saints – 2 Tim. 1:5 *“faith in you”*
4. He was sickly needed medicine – 1 Tim. 5:23 *“Take a little wine”*
5. He was gifted by Holy Spirit – 2 Tim. 2:6 *“stir up the gift”*
6. He was timid, perhaps insecure – 2 Tim. 1:7 *“spirit of fear”*
7. He was young – 1 Tim. 4:12 *“let no man despise your youth”*
8. Paul as a spiritual father to him – 2 Tim. 1:2, 2:1 *“my son...”*
9. With Paul and Silas in Corinth and Ephesus – Acts 17-20
Helped Paul write letters – 2 Cor., 1-2 Thess., Phil., Col, Phm.
Imprisoned with Paul – Hebrews 13:23
Martyred in 97 AD – beaten, dragged, stoned.

2. What Great Mother’s Do

Timothy was shy, timid, fearful, insecure, sickly, young and less than perfect choice of a man of God.

- Scriptures – from childhood Deuteronomy 6:4-9
- Prayer – for, with, over
- Example – faith, love
- Encouragement – words, deeds

3. I Had a Great Mother

My mama prayed for us...

1. **Church** - sitting in a pew
2. **Bible** – “devotions”, memorization
3. **Prayer** - early am, night, miracles, and miraculous bread
4. **Discipline** - Whippings - spare the rod,
5. **Healing** -prayed for us - Steve’s eye - Dave’s tongue
6. **Sayings** - *“Be sure your sin find out”*
 - toilet paper
 - river magazines
 - double date

4. Perhaps You Had a Great Mother

“Behind every great man is a great mother.”

But even great mothers were imperfect.

1. **Remember** her.
2. **Thank** her.
3. **Forgive** her.
4. **Praise** her.