Thank God For Godly Mothers

(Genesis 2:1-10)

Introduction: 1. As you know, one of the ten commandments, as well as one of the commandments of Jesus is to "Honor your father and mother."

- 2. A "worthy woman" is one whose children rise up and call her blessed and whose husband also praises her (Proverbs 31:28).
- 3. Let's examine a few matters regarding motherhood.

I. The Mother-Like Qualities of God

- A. God is known as many things King, Shepherd, Counselor, Redeemer, Father...
- B. (Isaiah 66:12-13).
- C. God loves, protects and comforts his children like a mother.
- D. The Bible records for us a unique situation; one in which a mother is actually paid to raise her own child (Exodus 2:1-10).
 - 1. She made plans for the child.
 - 2. She protected the child.
 - 3. She was paid. (3 John 4).

II. Making Arrows Out Of Sticks

- A. (Psalm 127:1-5).
- B. How do we form a straight and smooth arrow, rather than a crooked twig?
 - 1. Start early (Ecclesiastes 12:1).
 - 2. Be creative (Deuteronomy 6:4-9).
 - 3. Set limits (1 Samuel 3:13).
 - 4. Assign responsibility (Romans 14:12).
 - 5. Have fun (Proverbs 15:13-15).

Conclusion: 1. To those of you who are mothers, love your children and continue to

do what you can to help them find their way

home.

2. To the rest of us; pay honor and respect to your mother for the love and sacrifice she has made for you.

Who's Your Mama?	
Bathsheba	1. Mother of Dinah
Leah	2. Mother of Ahaziah
Elizabeth	3. Mother of Ishmael
Hannah	4. Mother of Boaz
Eve	5. Mother of Timothy
Rachel	6. Mother of Samuel
Sarah	7. Mother of Joseph
Hagar	8. Mother of Jesus
Mary	9. Mother of John the Baptist
Naomi	10. Mother Obed
Eunice	11. Mother of Aaron
Lois	12.Mother of Cain & Abel
Rebekah	13. Grandmother of Timothy
Rahab	14. Mother-in-law of Ruth
Ruth	15. Mother of Isaac
Mary	16. Mother of Solomon
Jezebel	17. Mother of Salome
Keturah	18. Mother of Jacob & Esau
Gomer	19. Mother of Jezreel
Jochebed	20. Mother of Zimran