

The Top Ten of MOTHERHOOD

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1. Makes time for her Father in prayer, Bible study, family, fellowship, and food

“Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers, but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night. That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither—whatever they do prospers.” Psalm 1:1-3

2. Openly, unconditionally loves, respects, and encourages her husband

“However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband” Eph. 5:33

3. Teaches by word, action and prayer; humble, often willing to admit mistakes

“All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.” 2Tim 3:16,17

4. Has time to play & have fun with her children, often watching their activities

“I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.” John 10:10

5. Encourages her kids to do their best; loves them unconditionally; forgiveness!

“But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” Romans 5:8

“Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.” Prov 22:6

6. Rules with compassion, grace and fairness; lovingly disciplines when necessary

“For the LORD corrects those he loves, just as a father corrects a child in whom he delights.” Prov. 3:12

7. Health—exercising and eating the right kinds and amounts of food; vacations!

“Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.” 1 Cor. 6:19-20

8. Organized — plans, leads, troubleshoots, evaluates; manages the Lord's money

“The plans of the diligent bring plenty, as surely as haste leads to poverty.” Prov. 21:5

9. Open to receive help from trusted advisers--seeking wisdom and is teachable

“Where there is no counsel, the people fall; But in a multitude of counselors there is safety.” Prov. 11:14

10. Dependable: guides, provides for, and protects; keeps promises and is honest

“And the Lord, He is the One who goes before you. He will be with you, He will not leave you nor forsake you; do not fear nor be dismayed.” Deuteronomy 31:8.

“Honor your father and your mother that your days may be prolonged in the land which the Lord your God is giving.” Exodus 20:12

Questions for Homework:

1. What do you do for your quiet time? How do you spend time with God?
2. What is your relationship like with your family? How can you improve it?
3. How are you at loving and respecting your husband/wife (or friends)? What area(s) do you need to improve in?
4. If your children were to publicly imitate what you do/say at home, what would others see/hear?
5. How much time do you spend with your children? What do you do with them?
6. How do you respond to your children when they fail or don't meet up to your standards or expectations? What are some other practical ways you like to encourage your children?
7. What are you doing to keep yourself and your family physically and emotionally healthy? Which of these is your strongest area? Which do you need the most work on?
8. What good habits do you need to replace the bad ones? Be specific.
9. Is it difficult for you to be organized? Are you a procrastinator or postponer ☺?
10. When you disagree with your husband's decisions, how do you resolve it?
11. How else has the Lord spoken to you from this message? Next steps...?