



Mother's Day

Mother's and Miracles

2 KINGS 4:8-37

Top 10 things Bible Mother's said, & still do:

10. Samson! Get your hand out of that lion. You don't know where it's been! (Judges 14:5-8)

9. David! I told you not to play in the house with that sling! Go practice your harp. We pay good money for those lessons!

8. Abraham! Stop wandering around the countryside and get home for supper!

7. Daniel! Go clean up your room! It smells like a lion's den!

Top 10 things Bible Mother's said, & still do:

6. Cain! Stop hitting your brother! You're going to kill him some day!
5. Noah! No, you can't keep them! I told you, don't bring home any more strays!
4. Gideon! Have you been hiding in that wine press again? Look at your clothes! (Judges 6:11)
3. James and John! No more burping contests at the dinner table, please. People are going to call you the sons of thunder! (Mark 3:17)
2. Judas! Have you been in my purse again?!

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I. Jesus! Close the door! What do you think, you were born in a barn?!



2 Kings 4:

8 Now there came a day when Elisha passed over to Shunem, where there was a prominent woman, and she persuaded him to eat food. And so it was, as often as he passed by, he turned in there to eat food. 9 She said to her husband, “Behold now, I perceive that this is a holy man of God passing by us continually. 10 “Please, let us make a little walled upper chamber and let us set a bed for him there, and a table and a chair and a lampstand; and it shall be, when he comes to us, that he can turn in there.” 11 One day he came there and turned in to the upper chamber and rested.

Women who Prepare

- ▶ **Shunem woman – prominent**
 - ▶ **Sees and makes a room for Elisha – hospitality! (vs 10)**
 - ▶ **Generous and focused on rest!**
- ▶ **What can I do for you? (13)**
 - ▶ **Contentment and family – “I live among my people”!**
 - ▶ **Gehazi – she has no son! And she has one! (17)**

Women who Care

▶ Time goes by and the boy grows...

▶ Something happens – sunstroke?

▶ Dies on her lap

▶ She lays him on the “bed of the Man of God”

22 Then she called to her husband and said, "Please send me one of the servants and one of the donkeys, that I may run to the man of God and return." 23 He said, "Why will you go to him today? It is neither new moon nor sabbath." And she said, "It will be well."

Women who Dare

- ▶ **Drive, don't slow down! (24)**
 - ▶ Her own comfort was not the issue/focus
 - ▶ Elisha sees her, sends Gehazi
 - ▶ Not enough.. 'caught hold of his feet'
 - ▶ "her soul is troubled within her, and the Lord has hidden it from me..."

God's Way!

- ▶ **The staff of Elisha was not enough!**
- ▶ **34 – warmth, breath and 7 sneezes! (34-35)**
- ▶ **“Call this Shunammite” – Take up your son!**
- ▶ **Thankfulness and restoration!**

