## HONOR OUR MOTHERS

#### Proverbs 6:20

**Introduction:** Between Easter and Father's Day, how wonderful it is to observe a Mother's Day. Many mothers are congratulated for having such a fine son or daughter but it should be the sons and daughters being congratulated for having such a fine mother. Only after we are grown and begin to look back do we see how our lives have been affected/molded by Mother.

Let us render honor to whom honor is due. Let us honor our mothers first of all. To them most of us owe more than to any other person. They were the first persons with whom we had to do in this world and for a long time, the most important persons in our lives.

## I. LET US HONOR OURMOTHERS FOR TO THEM WE OWE OUR LIVES

- 1. It was no small cost to them to bring us into this world and there is a danger of our forgetting this. All development and progress of the human race depends upon Mothers.
- 2. Who is the noblest woman in today's society? Women's Lib leader? Women Political leader? Women teachers? Women in the armed forces? Women in our Churches? None of these are as important as our MOTHERS.
- 3. Who is the most famous of all women today? Artist's pictures are of whom? Modern advertisements? The greatest influence upon Christianity? It is the MOTHER.

### II. LET US HONOR MOTHERS, FOR TO THEM WE OWE OUR BASIC EDUCATION

 It is said that the years of 1 to 9 are the most formative and important years of our lives. Obedience is learned or not learned, habits are formed, vocabularies learned, personalities started, dispositions begun. Who is it, who is the potter of the clay of children's lives? MOTHER!

### **III. LET US HONOR MOTHERS, FOR TO THEM WE OWE HOMES**

- 1. Who is it that is really the stabilizing force of the home? Mother!
- 2. There is no sound any language that strikes the cords of one's heart like "home."
- 3. Home is a retreat from the worries of life. Home is where the wasted life is repaired. Home is where the hurts of life are healed. In the home the pleasures of companionship and sympathy are enjoyed in their purest form.
- 4. In the home, each member has a place which no other can fill or take away, and it is MOTHER who creates and sustains the home.

# IV. LET US HONOR MOTHER FOR ALL THE LOVE WHICH THEY HAVE GIVEN US

- 1. People need many things, but LOVE is needed more than anything else (babies need holding).
- 2. There is nothing so sustaining and restraining, so encouraging and strengthening to us as knowing we are loved and wanted.
- 3. Surely the passage in *1 Corinthians 13:4-7* is the picture of a Mother's love (read the passage).
- 4. A Mother's love is like God's love. God loves us not because we are so loveable but because it is His nature to love. Ever see a mother holding a sick, twisted, wretched child, doesn't she hold it tenderly, gently, caring for it?
  - Study the love of God as shown in the Scriptures and you must admit that there is no human love so much like God's love as a mother's love for her children.

## **CONCLUSION:**

- 1. God created the first mother and He instilled in mothers a quality not found in men/males/dads the ability to love. However, deeper than a mother's love is God's love for us.
- 2. How shall we render honor to mothers for all their benefits to us?
  - We can express it in sure, definite and unmistakable ways, but they will love us even if we don't.
  - We can highly resolve to be the men, women, boys and girls that mother wants us to be.
- 3. Remember, a mother's love is not centered in herself, but in her children/family and only a MOTHER is like that.