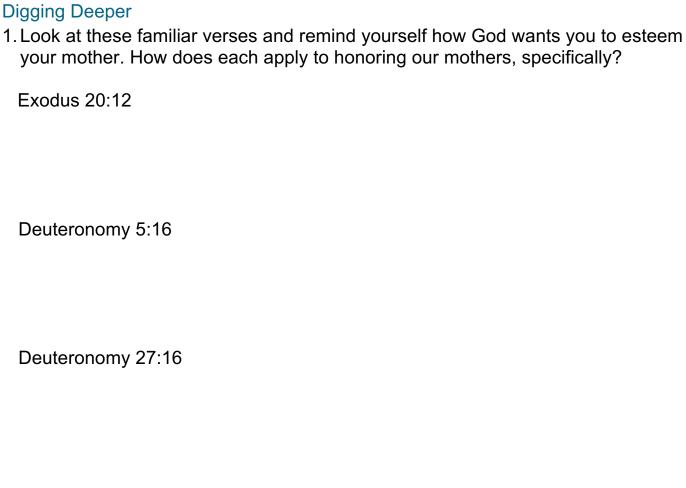


MOTHER'S DAY: "SNAPSHOTS OF MOTHERHOOD" Selected Scriptures

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1. Take a few	minutes and	talk about	t a time	when y	you felt	cared fo	r by you	ır own
mother or b	y a maternal	figure in y	our life					

2. What is it about the love of a mother that is so uniquely caring, uplifting, and lifegiving? How would you explain the benefits of a mother's love to someone else?



2. Read Ephesians 6:2-3. How has honoring your mother helped life "go well with you?" Can you think of a way that life would have gone "well" if you had more closely honored your mother's wisdom or values?

cared for him, uplifted him, and provided for all his needs, even though ther would be significant pain when the time came to let him go. Life comes with pain, and Hannah's motherly example shows how such pain can be weather	ž
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In light of this, look at the following verses and talk about how we can respond	nd to
some of the pain of life.	

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

1 Peter 4:12-14, 19

Hebrews 5:7-8

Psalm 77:1-6

Matthew 26:36-39

4. How can pain lead us to God? Describe how leaning on God has helped grow your ability to care for others.

5. Read Luke 34-35. Mary submitted to God's plans for her life, even though it meant walking toward deep sorrow. Describe potential "sorrows" that someon might face as they live in submission to God. How is Mary an example to us ir this?
Applying the Message 1. As we reflect on this message, we recognize how a mother's love, affection, example, and influence can deeply shape our lives. In what particular way ha your mother, or a motherly figure, shaped you? What are some ways you car express gratitude and honor for this woman this week?
2. Proverbs offer guidance for mothers. Read the following verses and discuss how <i>anyone</i> can apply these wise sayings to their own lives.Proverbs 31:22
Proverbs 31:15, 21, 27