



GOD'S WOMEN

"Mother's Day"

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Genesis 1 ²⁶ Then God said, "Let us make a man and a woman in our image to be like us. Let them reign over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, the livestock, over the creatures that creep along the ground, and over the wild animals." ²⁷ So God created man and woman and shaped them with his image inside them. In his own beautiful image, he created his masterpiece. Yes, male and female he created them. ²⁸ And God blessed them in his love, saying, "Reproduce and be fruitful! Populate the earth and subdue it!" Reign over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and every creature that lives on earth." TPT

1 Corinthians 7 ⁶ I'm not giving you a divine command, but my godly advice. ⁷ I would wish that all of you could live unmarried, just as I do. Yet I understand that we are all decidedly different, with each having a special grace for one thing or another. ⁸ So let me say to the unmarried and those who have lost their spouses, it is fine for you to remain single as I am. TPT

Psalms 127 ⁵ Happy will be the couple who has many of them! A household full of children will not bring shame on your name but victory when you face your enemies, for your offspring will have influence and honor to prevail on your behalf! TPT

Isaiah 49 ²⁵ But Yahweh says: "The prey will be freed from the mighty warrior, and captives will be rescued from a conqueror! For I will fight with those who fight with you, and I myself will save your children." TPT

Isaiah 54 ¹³ All your children will be taught by Yahweh, and great will be their peace and prosperity. ¹⁴ You will be established in righteousness. Oppression—be far from you! Fear—be far from you! Yes, terror will not come near you, nor will you be afraid. ¹⁵ If anyone dares to stir up strife against you, it is not from me! Those who challenge you will go down in defeat. ¹⁶ See, I am the one who created the craftsman who fans the coals into a fire and forges a weapon fit for its purpose, and I am the one who created the destroyer to destroy. ¹⁷ But I promise you, no weapon meant to hurt you will succeed, and you will refute every accusing word spoken against you. This promise is the inheritance of Yahweh's servants, and their vindication is from me," says Yahweh. TPT

Luke 1 ²⁶⁻²⁷ During the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, the angel Gabriel was sent from God's presence to an unmarried girl named Mary, living in Nazareth, a village in Galilee. She was engaged to a man named Joseph, a true descendant of King David. ²⁸ Gabriel appeared to her and said, "Rejoice, beloved young woman, for the Lord is with you and you are anointed with great favor." ²⁹ Mary was deeply troubled over the words of the angel and bewildered over what this may mean for her. ³⁰ But the angel reassured her, saying, "Do not yield to your fear, Mary, for the Lord has found delight in you and has chosen to surprise you with a wonderful gift." ³¹ You will become pregnant with a baby boy, and you are to name him Jesus. ³² He will be supreme and will be known as the Son of the Highest. And the Lord God will enthrone him as King on the throne of his ancestor David. ³³ He will reign as King of Israel forever, and his reign will have no limit." ³⁴ Mary said, "But how could this happen? I am still a virgin!" ³⁵ Gabriel answered, "The Spirit of Holiness will fall upon you and almighty God will spread his shadow of power over you in a cloud of glory! This is why the child born to you will be holy, and he will be called the Son of God. ³⁶ What's more, your aged aunt, Elizabeth, has also become pregnant with a son. The 'barren one' is now in her sixth month. ³⁷ Not one promise from God is empty of power. Nothing is impossible with God!" ³⁸ Then Mary responded, saying, "Yes! I will be a mother for the Lord! As his servant, I accept whatever he

has for me. May everything you have told me come to pass.” And the angel left her. ... ⁴⁵ Great favor rests upon you, for you have believed every word spoken to you from the Lord.” ⁴⁶ And Mary sang this song: “My soul is ecstatic, overflowing with praises to God! ⁴⁷ My spirit bursts with joy over my life-giving God! ⁴⁸ For he set his tender gaze upon me, his lowly servant girl. And from here on, everyone will know that I have been favored and blessed. ⁴⁹ The Mighty One has worked a mighty miracle for me; holy is his name! ⁵⁰ Mercy kisses all who fear him, from one generation to the next. ⁵¹ Mighty power flows from him to scatter all those who walk in pride. ⁵² Powerful princes he tears from their thrones and he lifts up the lowly *to take their place*. ⁵³ Those who hunger for him will always be filled, but the smug and self-satisfied he will send away empty. ⁵⁴ Because he can never forget to show mercy, he has helped his chosen servant, Israel, ⁵⁵ keeping his promises to Abraham and to his descendants forever.” TPT

Proverbs 18 ²² When a man finds a wife, he has found a treasure! For she is the gift of God to bring him joy and pleasure. But the one who divorces a good woman loses what is good from his house. *To choose an adulteress is both stupid and ungodly.* TPT

Proverbs 19 ¹⁴ You can inherit houses and land from your parents, but a good wife only comes as a gracious gift from God! TPT

Ephesians 5 ²⁷ All that he does in us is designed to make us a mature church for his pleasure, until we become a source of praise to him—glorious and radiant, beautiful and holy, without fault or flaw. ²⁸ Husbands have the obligation of loving and caring for their wives the same way they love and care for their own bodies, for to love your wife is to love your own self. ... ³² **Marriage is the beautiful design of the Almighty, a great mystery of Christ and his church.** ³³ **So every married man should be gracious to his wife just as he is gracious to himself. And every wife should be tenderly devoted to her husband.** TPT

John 20 ¹ Very early Sunday morning, before sunrise, Mary Magdalene made her way to the tomb. And when she arrived she discovered that the stone that sealed the entrance to the tomb was moved away! ² So she went running as fast as she could to go tell Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. She told them, “They’ve taken the Lord’s body from the tomb, and we don’t know where he is!” ³ Then Peter and the other disciple jumped up and ran to the tomb to go see for themselves. ⁴ They started out together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He didn’t enter the tomb, but peeked in, and saw only the linen cloths lying there. ⁶ Then Peter came behind him and went right into the tomb. He too noticed the linen cloths lying there, ⁷ but the burial cloth that had been on Jesus’ head had been rolled up and placed separate from the other cloths. ⁸ Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first went in, and after one look, he believed! ⁹ For until then they hadn’t understood the Scriptures that prophesied that he was destined to rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Puzzled, Peter and the other disciple then left and went back to their homes. ¹¹ Mary arrived *back at the tomb*, broken and sobbing. She stooped to peer inside, and through her tears ¹² she saw two angels in dazzling white robes, sitting where Jesus’ body had been laid—one at the head and one at the feet! ¹³ “Dear woman, why are you crying?” they asked. Mary answered, “They have taken away my Lord, and I don’t know where they’ve laid him.” ¹⁴ Then she turned around to leave, and there was Jesus standing in front of her, but she didn’t realize that it was him! ¹⁵ He said to her, “Dear woman, why are you crying? Who are you looking for?” Mary answered, thinking he was only the gardener, “Sir, if you have taken his body somewhere else, tell me, and I will go and . . .” ¹⁶ **“Mary,” Jesus interrupted her. Turning to face him, she said, “Rabboni!” (Aramaic for “My teacher!”)** ¹⁷ Jesus cautioned her, “Mary, don’t cling to me, for I haven’t yet ascended to God, my Father. And he’s not only my Father and God, but now he’s your Father and your God! **Now go to my brothers and tell them what I’ve told you**, that I am ascending to my Father—and your Father, to my God—and your God!” ¹⁸ **Then Mary Magdalene left to inform the disciples of her encounter with Jesus. “I have seen the Lord!” she told them. And she gave them his message.** TPT