

Life Group Discussion Guide
On Mission To Mom

This weeks sermon highlighted the divine design a woman & mother has been given to strengthen the home & how we can better go on mission to her.

Q? What is your favorite or most humorous memory of your mother? _____

Q? It's been said, there is a difference between a house & a home. What does this mean?

In the building industry, you will generally see a project manager working off a set of blue-prints, overseeing multiple subcontractors who all bring their skill to a specific phase of the project. Many people under the direction of the project manager, contributing to the building of the house.

In the building of a strong family, every member plays a roll in it's success. If one member opts out of doing their part, it puts strain on everyone else & in many cases, **(not all)** mom ends up bearing the greatest burden as she tends to pick up the balls that others drop. **(Guys don't worry Fathers day is around the corner!)**

Q? Did you grow up in a home where every member of the family was expected to contribute to the overall health of the home? How? Did you see mom bear a greater burden than she should have? Explain: _____

Q? What were the greatest contributions or qualities you remember your mom bringing to the health or strength of your family growing up? Explain if applicable: _____

Genesis 1:26a -27 *Then God said, "Let us make man/mankind in our image, after our likeness.... So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.*

Q? How do we see the likeness, nature or image of God displayed in a mother? How is her divine wiring needed in the context of strong family?

Q? When you recall some of the words Jesus spoke while hanging, bloodied & naked on the cross, what first comes to mind? Discuss:_____

Some of the less remembered words uttered by Jesus are found in John 19:25-27. Read this passage aloud in your groups.....

Here is the Savior of the world, under unspeakable suffering (**body, soul & spirit**) He is at the finish line of an eternal plan to redeem mankind & in all of this, he has the depth of compassion & presence of mind to make sure his mom is taken care of!

Q? How terrible does this make you feel for never calling your mother!? (**I'm kidding!**) **Real question:** What does Jesus teach us from this passage about how we should honor our own mothers & grandmothers? Explain:_____

Read Romans 16:1-16 aloud in your group. This should be fun!

PS- Give the reader some grace, this ain't gonna be easy!

Q? In the passage you just read, do you see who the Apostle Paul refers to as the woman who has been a mother to him? What is her name?_____

If you couldn't find it, look at Vs. 13. **Notice that this woman is the only person directly addressed without her name being revealed, yet she is given the greatest compliment of any person on the list** - (A mother to the greatest Apostle to ever walk the planet! A mother to the man whom God used to pen the majority of the New Testament!)

Q? What should this teach us about the role & impact of a mother in the life of her own children & those outside the home whom God allows her to love? How should this encourage moms? Discuss:

Close by discussing how you can better go on mission to your mother or grandmother.

How can you reveal Jesus to her by a love demonstrated in action? Discuss:.....