

God Needed My Mother – Bible Study

Joshua 24:15 (NLT)

15 But if you refuse to serve the Lord, then choose today whom you will serve. Would you prefer the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates? Or will it be the gods of the Amorites in whose land you now live? But as for me and my family, we will serve the Lord.”

Mark 3:24-25 (NLT)

24 “A kingdom divided by civil war will collapse.

25 Similarly, a family splintered by feuding will fall apart.

Family: the institution God uses to develop, shape, and support you while helping you adjust to changing circumstances of life.

Exodus 2:1-9 (NLT)

1 About this time, a man and woman from the tribe of Levi got married.

2 The woman became pregnant and gave birth to a son. She saw that he was a special baby and kept him hidden for three months.

3 But when she could no longer hide him, she got a basket made of papyrus reeds and waterproofed it with tar and pitch. She put the baby in the basket and laid it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile River.

4 The baby’s sister then stood at a distance, watching to see what would happen to him.

5 Soon Pharaoh’s daughter came down to bathe in the river, and her attendants walked along the riverbank. When the princess saw the basket among the reeds, she sent her maid to get it for her.

6 When the princess opened it, she saw the baby. The little boy was crying, and she felt sorry for him. “This must be one of the Hebrew children,” she said.

7 Then the baby's sister approached the princess. "Should I go and find one of the Hebrew women to nurse the baby for you?" she asked.

8 "Yes, do!" the princess replied. So the girl went and called the baby's mother.

9 "Take this baby and nurse him for me," the princess told the baby's mother. "I will pay you for your help." So the woman took her baby home and nursed him.

The story we read in the scripture tells of a mother who was dealing with an unimaginable set of circumstances. The pharaoh made a decree that every Hebrew male baby was to be killed. Right about this time, she has a baby boy. However, the decree did not change the fact that God needed her to have that baby.

No matter what kind of mother you had: young, old, nice, mean, rich, poor, sensitive, or even frustrated God needed her. Even with all her stuff, God needed her. Despite all of her stuff, God needed her. In addition to having to deal with her stuff, God needed her. Can we for a moment contemplate giving our mother grace for her imperfections, inconsistencies, and even her flaws? We didn't know what kind of stuff she was dealing with. In today's lesson, we will talk about how God needs mothers, especially your mother. With this in mind, let's examine: **God Needed My Mother.**

Jeremiah 1:5 (NLT)

5 "I knew you before I formed you in your mother's womb. Before you were born I set you apart and appointed you as my prophet to the nations."

Although nothing is impossible for God, He cannot do anything on Earth, without a man or woman willing to participate. God needs a canvas to paint every picture. Although God already knew you, set you apart, and gave you an assignment on Earth, He could not form you without a womb fit for your development. **Thus, even if you never knew your mother, God needed her to get you here.**

- 1. God needed my mother to compose and create me.**

Psalm 27:13 (NKJV)

13 I would have lost heart, unless I had believed That I would see the goodness of the Lord In the land of the living.

Psalm 27:13 (GNT)

13 I know that I will live to see the Lord's goodness in this present life.

Mothers encourage their children to pursue their dreams. The reason she can do this is because she knows what it's like to birth something. **She knows how to conceive, grow, nurture, connect with, and build something.** She is literally our first cheer-leader. **Her encouragement helps to develop our self-esteem.**

2. God needed my mother to cultivate my confidence.

Proverbs 31:27-29 (NLT)

27 She carefully watches everything in her household and suffers nothing from laziness.

28 Her children stand and bless her. Her husband praises her:

29 "There are many virtuous and capable women in the world, but you surpass them all!"

Mothers should seek to know their children well. It's amazing that mother can have identical twin children and without a doubt know the difference between the two. Someone who doesn't know you, will treat you exactly the same as everyone else. But the truth is, mothers will recognize and appreciate your difference, because she knows you, not just about you. **"THERE'S A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN KNOWING THE WORDS AND KNOWING THE AUTHOR."**

3. God needed my mother to communicate healthy connections.

Proverbs 13:18 (NLT)

18 If you ignore criticism, you will end in poverty and disgrace; if you accept correction, you will be honored.

In many ways our mothers are our first picture of Jesus. She is both **LION & LAMB**. She's full of love and encouragement. However, she's not so concerned with trying to be your friend, that she's afraid to correct you. Mom's are so amazing that she'll give you a car. Then, she won't let you drive it. **SHE'S LIKE JESUS, "HER ROD AND STAFF, THEY COMFORT ME."**

4. God needed my mother to caution and correct me.

John 15:13 (NLT)

13 There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends.

Mothers have a degree of selflessness that is unsurpassed by anyone else. Notice that we said selflessness, not selfishness. Mothers will go without, just so we can have. She is our physical picture of compassion through sacrifice. That's exactly what God did when He gave Jesus. We all needed salvation. **He only had one Savior. He gave Him up, so we could be saved.**

5. God needed my mother to concretize my picture of compassion.

No matter what kind of mother you had: young, old, nice, mean, rich, poor, sensitive, or even frustrated God needed her. Even with all her stuff, God needed her. With grace and appreciation, we can all realize: **God Needed My Mother.**