

A Mother's Surrender

*Mary & Jesus
in the Gospels*



*“Behold, I am the servant of the Lord.
Let it be to me according to your
word.”*

(Luke 1:38; ESV)

*“Blessed is she who believed that there
would a fulfillment of what was
spoken to her from the Lord.”*

(Luke 1:45; ESV)

“But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart.”

(Luke 2:19; ESV)

*“Son, why have you treated us so?
Behold, your father and I have been
searching for you in great distress.”*

(Luke 2:48; ESV)

“Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?”

(Luke 2:49; ESV)

Surrendering Your Will (and Your Kids) to God

LESSON # 1 - Your kids are first and foremost God's, not yours. They came from God and ultimately belong to God. His claim upon them is primary; yours is secondary.

*Mary &
Jesus at
the
Wedding
in Cana*



“When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, ‘They have no wine.’ And Jesus said to her, ‘Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come.’ His mother said to the servants, ‘Do whatever he tells you.’”

(John 2:3-5; ESV)

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LESSON # 2 - Don't try to rush God.

Things won't happen on your timetable;
they'll happen on his.

“Then he went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat.”

(Mark 3:20; ESV)

“And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, ‘He is out of his mind.’”

(Mark 3:21; ESV)

*“And a crowd was sitting around him,
and they said to him, ‘Your mother and
your brothers are outside, seeking you.’
And he answered them, ‘Who are my
mother and my brothers?’”*

(Mark 3:32-33; ESV)

“And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, ‘Here are my mother and my brothers! For whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother.’”

(Mark 3:34-35; ESV)

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LESSON # 3 - The road God has assigned for your kids to walk may be painful and costly. It's likely not the path you would choose. Instead of trying to shield your child from walking with the Lord through the valley of the shadow of death, choose to trust God. Pray you both will be faithful to do God's will at every turn.

*Mary &
Jesus at
the
Cross*



“When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, ‘Woman, behold, your son!’ Then he said to the disciple, ‘Behold, your mother!’ And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.”

(John 19:26-27; ESV)

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LESSON # 4 - Release your children into God's strong and capable arms. Allow yourself to experience God's loving care for you.



*Mary at
Pentecost*

*“All these with one accord were
devoting themselves to prayer,
together with the women and Mary
the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.”*

(Acts 1:14; ESV)