

God's Design for Motherhood

WOMEN'S GETAWAY JULY 2026

Why go through all the sacrifice?

QUESTIONS

1. What are some things you've seen the world say is the purpose of motherhood?
2. What were your reasons for becoming a mum? Be honest if you can!
3. What do you think are the main purposes of your job as a mum?

THE WORLD'S VIEW OF MOTHERHOOD

Motherhood exists to create a functioning member of society

Motherhood is for our fulfilment

Motherhood is just hard work

QUESTION

What hopes do you have for your children? For your relationship with them?
For their lives? Be honest!

MOTHERHOOD IS WITNESS

Matthew 28:19-20:

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Proverbs 22:6:

Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.

Our children are in desperate need of the gospel

Deuteronomy 6:

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

The importance of time with God

The importance of prayer

QUESTIONS

1. What are your biggest struggles in sharing Jesus with your children? What could you change to make it easier?
2. How is your own time with God? How is your prayer life? What might you change to make these happen more regularly/effectively?

We don't have to be perfect

Psalms 127:

*Unless the Lord builds the house,
the builders labor in vain.
Unless the Lord watches over the city,
the guards stand watch in vain.*

QUESTIONS

1. How do you feel knowing that God is the one who saves?
2. What would change if you truly trusted God to have their salvation in his hands?
3. How does knowing God is in control affect how we pray for ourselves and our children?

MOTHERHOOD IS WORSHIP

Romans 12:1-2

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.

Colossians 3:22-23

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

QUESTIONS

1. What things do you struggle with most in motherhood? How would your view of these things change if you saw them as worship?
2. What could you do practically to serve Jesus in these mundane or frustrating moments?

MOTHERHOOD IS FOR OUR GODLINESS

James 1:2-4

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

Maturity is not just being a bit older and wiser

The refiner's fire

QUESTIONS

1. How does it change your view of difficulty in motherhood, knowing that God will use these things to make you like Jesus?
2. What are some ways you've seen God shape you through the trials of motherhood? These can be big or small!
3. Share something that has particularly struck you from our time together and if you're happy to, share with others in your group and pray these things for each other.