Encouragements on Mother's Day

1. Keep your focus on Christ because personal fulfillment is found in our relationship with Christ

God is in control

Isaiah 55:8 (ESV)

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD.

Children are a blessing

Philippians 4:8 (ESV)

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

2. Mothers have a lot of influence. Be intentional with how you use it.

2 Timothy 1:5 (NIV)

I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also.

Instill A Respect For Scripture

Creates a foundation of truth for us to stand on

Establishes moral absolutes

Proverbs 1:7 (ESV)

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Respect for the Scriptures internalizes knowledge

2 Timothy 3:14-15 (NLT)

But you must remain faithful to the things you have been taught. You know they are true, for you know you can trust those who taught you. You have been taught the holy Scriptures from childhood, and they have given you the wisdom to receive the salvation that comes by trusting in Christ Jesus.

Instill An Authentic Faith

Romans 10:17 (ESV)

So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ

Romans 10:17 (AMP)

So faith *comes* from hearing [what is told], and what is heard *comes* by the [preaching of the] message concerning Christ.

Instill A Desire To Serve

3. If you are in Christ Jesus, you should have no fear of condemnation because of your standing of righteousness – because of Christ's work on your behalf on the cross

Romans 8:1-2 (ESV)

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

You are not condemned because you are in Christ

Titus 3:5 (AMP)

He saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we have done, but because of His own compassion *and* mercy, by the cleansing of the new birth (spiritual transformation, regeneration) and renewing by the Holy Spirit.

You are loved

There is no condemnation for those in Jesus

Proverbs 31:30b-31 (NIV)

...but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.