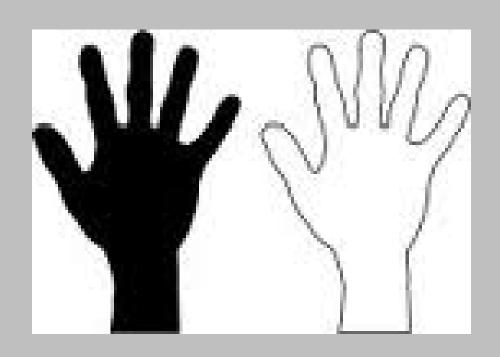
Honour Your Mother! Eph.6:1-3

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III. Her heart loves unselfishly (Prov.31:11, 12)

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Andy: "I get up at 5 a.m. and have my breakfast."

Desmond: "Does anyone else get up also at that time?"

Andy: "Oh yes, mother gets up and fixes my breakfast and then fixes father's breakfast."

Desmond: "And what about your dinner?"

Andy: "Oh, mother, fixes that too."

Desmond: "Does your mother have the afternoon to herself?"

Andy: "No, my mother cleans the house, looks after the other children, and then gets supper for my father and me when we come home. Then we watch TV before we go to bed."

Desmond: "What about your mother? What does she do?"

Andy: "She washes some clothes and does ironing the rest of the evening."

Desmond: "Do you get paid?"

Andy: "Of course, Father and I get paid."

Desmond: "And what about your mother, does she get paid too?"

Andy: "Mother? Get paid? No. Mother doesn't get paid for she does not do any paid work."

An Old Saying:

"Man works from sun to sun, but woman's work is never done."

Testimony of a Preacher

"When my twin sister Sharon and I were born in 1944, mom already had a 3-year-old boy. I think all three of us were in diapers. We had no pampers and no washer. Most of you know about those days. Nothing fancy in our homes. No extras. But mom worked hard, cooked meals (oh how I loved her fried chicken, biscuits and gravy!), she cleaned house, washed clothes, ironed clothes (I helped to sprinkle the clothes), put out a garden, and later, worked as a Licensed Practical Nurse while still taking care of the home. THANK YOU, MOM, FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK."

II. Her mouth speaks wisely and graciously (Prov.31:6, 7)

Susanna Wesley:

"My dear son, remember that anything which increases the authority of the body over the mind is an evil thing."

Sir Winston Churchill:

"You have omitted to mention the greatest of my teachers - my Mother."

Alvin, Mother Susanna and Dominic at a church wedding in the U.K.



Moses and Mother Monica – at home in Myanmar



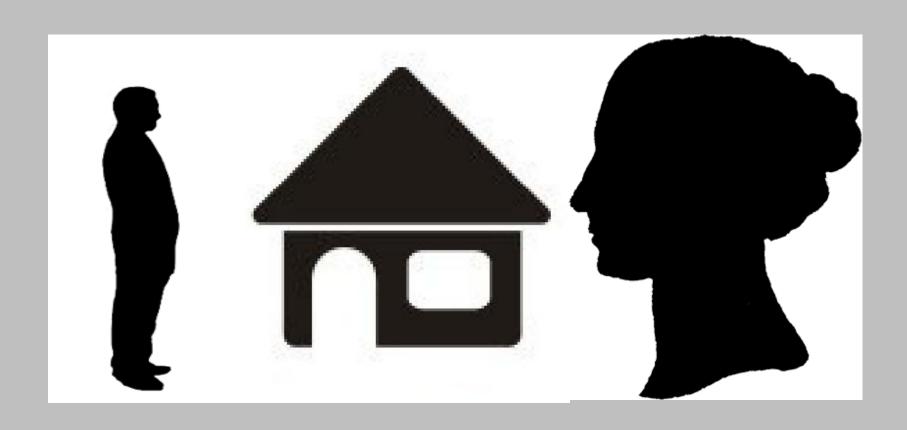




Mother Monica

"Moses, it is good that you get to preach in other churches and I am sure that each time before you went to another church to minister, you had informed your pastor about your speaking engagement. I believe you should have left your friends whom you have invited to your local church to continue worshipping there even on weeks you have been invited to preach elsewhere. Perhaps you could consider if it was your pride that had caused you to ask your friends to go along with you to churches you were scheduled to preach under the guise of allowing them to give you feedback on your preaching."

Simon and Mother Elizabeth – at home in Hong Kong



Mother Elizabeth:

"The Lord will bless your good intentions and effort in trying to persuade the 2 couples not to leave the church."

III. Her heart loves unselfishly (Prov.31:11-12)





Teacher: "Tommy, suppose your mother made a cherry pie, and there were ten of you at the table: your mother and father and eight children. How much of the pie would you get?"

Tommy: "A ninth."

Teacher: "No, no, Tommy. Now pay attention! There are ten of you in the home. Don't you know your fractions?"

Tommy: "Yes, ma'am, I know my fractions, but I know my mother even better, and she'd say that she didn't want any pie."

Testimony of a Preacher

"Some years ago while my mother was still living in her home in Texas, she was stricken with Parkinson's Disease and I was there alone visiting her for a few days. I was sitting on her couch and she was in her recliner. Suddenly, I started crying over some heavy burden in my life. The tears poured and I glanced over to look at Mother and she was trying hard to get out of her chair. I said, Mother, what are you doing? She said, I'm coming over there to give you a hug. Thank you, mom, for loving your grown son who was burdened. Thank you, mom, for loving me more than I loved you."

Thomas Edison:

"I did not have my mother long, but she cast over me an influence which has lasted all my life. The good effects of her early training I can never lose. If it had not been for her appreciation and her faith in me at a critical time in my experience, I should never likely have become an inventor. I was always a careless boy, and with a mother of different mental calibre, I should have turned out badly. But her firmness, her sweetness, and her goodness were potent powers to keep me in the right path. My mother was the making of me. The memory of her will always be a blessing to me."

Prov.31:28

Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her.

"I mimic what I see."

