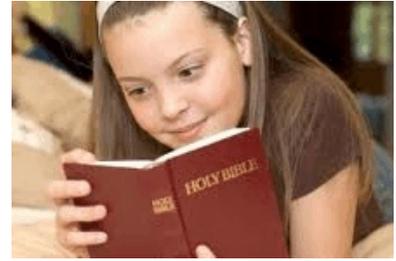


Biblical Encouragement for Moms

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Topic Five: She teaches her children God's Word diligently.
(and saturates her home with God's Word)



My mother taught me some poetry. She taught me to be kind. She taught me to be clean. She taught me to have a good attitude, and I am very grateful for that.

But what will *you* be remembered for, when your children are married and on their own? I want to be remembered for teaching my children diligently about the Lord.

Let's read an important Bible passage about this subject. Please turn to [Deuteronomy 6:4-9](#).

This passage tells us to:

Teach the Word of God diligently to our children
Talk to our children about God's Word when we
sit down, or walk or lie down or get up - all day.
We are to focus our eyes on God's Word, and
write it all around our house!

According to the God's Word, we are to put our whole heart into using the Bible in our homes. Use your computer to type out a Bible verse or passage, and hang it where all can see it. We have verses in every room.

Laminate it if you can, or put it under a sheet of plastic (like what goes in a notebook,) or write it out on an index card. We always have a favorite verse hanging by the mirror in our bathroom. It is written on an index card.

Kitchen stores have recipe card covers. These are clear plastic and will keep your index cards clean and protected when you write scriptures on them. I send my son Joshua a scripture on an index card every time I write to him at college.

Amber **draws pictures and prints Bible verses on them** for hanging in our house. **At Christmas, we put Bible verses among the ornaments on our tree and in our Christmas letter.** You can do this.

We have made place mats with Bible verses.

We read the Bible or **discuss a sermon** at lunch time. We read a Bible verse together before school in the morning. This takes very little time. **How often can you incorporate the Bible into your life?** We talk about God and His Word before bed. **I use God's Word when writing letters and emails quite often.**

Saturate your home with God's Word. Put a verse on a card and **stick it in lunch bags**, in bedrooms, **on gift tags, inside books when you give them during the holidays.** Give a Bible verse on a card to a **new bride or to someone who is grieving.**

Make God and His Word the theme of **birthday parties** for your children. Plan way ahead and make their birthdays special. We have done this for many years. Amber's birthday party will be in April. The theme is "Or Wonderful Lord," which spells owl. We are looking for owls for decorating, and will play games with our theme in mind.

The secret to making birthdays special is prayer and starting your planning very early. We make many of our decorations. Children of all ages usually like to create or draw. We get ideas from things we see or from our own research. Use your time productively. Make memories in this way rather than watching TV or having them play electronic games.

Read Psalm 119:127 & Psalm 119: 104-105 & Psalm 119:9-10

Ladies, let's make the Word of God the central theme in our homes. I will help you laminate if you bring a Bible verse or passage to me. Make it colorful.

Add stickers or pictures to make it even more special and eye catching. (Show some examples.)

Some of you may have to rethink your day, and begin planning to incorporate the Bible into your home a lot more. You can do this. Read I Peter 2:1-2.

If you desire to use God's Word more, He will bless your home more. You will grow at a faster pace in your walk with Christ. Desire the Bible like a baby desires milk! *Get your children involved.* Start by putting a [Bible verse on the refrigerator](#) with possibly some artwork or stickers.

Feel free to ask me for [10 great verses for families](#), or dig in and find them yourself. You can find some important verses in the book of Proverbs, [verses to use as goals and to pray over your family](#), or to share with your family. Most importantly, read your Bible with enthusiasm and take notes. God will show you so much!

Do you know any **scripture songs**? This is one more great way to learn and retain God's Word. We have learned about 20 verses or passages this way. We have written some of our own too.

Amber wrote one for Bible School this year. I had her record it and will play for you here in class. Amber is eleven. It is also on my website. You can play it at your convenience. (saukprairiecalvary.com Look for [Connie's Corner](#) at the top left on home page.)

The point of today's class is "Is the Bible the theme of your home?" **Could you make some changes and give God and His Word priority in your home?**

I will get together with any of you to prayerfully come up with ideas for your situation. God really blesses a prepared mother. Prepare now to include more Bible in your home. *Let's pray.*