

Making Memories with Mom

Remember that life is short. By the time your children are walking, then talking, and being taught how to follow directions, you will find 3 years have passed. You must learn that every day counts. Bond with your little ones. Bond with children of all ages.

The first and most important memory that your children should have of you is your love for Jesus Christ. Major on this. Pray about it. Seek God all day long. Make **Bible verses on cards** and read them to your children. Add colorful pictures from books. Read them with feeling. Sit one out to see every day.



We made this craft together.

Make beautiful memories by having some **bedtime reading and talking** with them about the day. Say “What did you most like about this day?” Tell them the things they did that pleased you. Don’t rush your children as they talk. Work through anything negative in a kind way. They need this time. **Pray with them.** What a wonderful closure for the day.

Here is a list to help you with ideas, but I am sure you will think of some of your own. These ideas are ways we have bonded with our children through the years.

- planning and preparing a recipe together, then giving part of the food away.
- bike riding to a park and swinging together, laughing, talking or playing ball in our yard.
- rubbing feet with lotion, or brushing each other’s hair at the end of the day.
- taking a walk together, sharing plans for serving God.
- saving change for a year or two and planning a short trip (overnight) as a family.
- playing box games, homemade games or singing together. Reading great books together.



Brushing the girl’s hair at night.