

Impact for Eternity Mother's Day – 2021

Praise the Lord! How joyful are those who fear the Lord and delight in obeying his commands. Their children will be successful everywhere; an entire generation of godly people will be blessed. They themselves will be wealthy, and their good deeds will last forever. Light shines in the darkness for the godly. **They are generous, compassionate, and righteous.** Good comes to those who lend money generously and conduct their business fairly. Such people will not be overcome by evil. Those who are righteous will be long remembered. **They do not fear bad news; they confidently trust the Lord to care for them.** They are confident and fearless and can face their foes triumphantly. They share freely and give generously to those in need. **Their good deeds will be remembered forever. They will have influence and honor.**

Psalm 112:1-9 (NLT)

Two Keys for Positive Impact

Key # 1 - A person of wisdom.

She saw there was something special about him and hid him. She hid him for three months. When she couldn't hide him any longer, she got a little basket-boat made of papyrus, waterproofed it with tar and pitch, and placed the child in it. Then she set it afloat in the reeds at the edge of the Nile. The baby's older sister found herself a vantage point a little way off and watched to see what would happen to him.

Exodus 2:2-4 (MSG)

A house is built by wisdom and becomes strong through good sense.

Proverbs 24:3 (NLT)

But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy.

James 3:17 (NKJV)

Key # 2 - A person of courage.

If you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and he will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking.

James 1:5 (NLT)

• Courage means stepping into the unknown

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways", says the Lord.

Isaiah 55:8 (NKJV)

Then she set it afloat in the reeds at the edge of the Nile. Exodus 2:3b (MSG)

• Courage means: standing on what you know.

By an act of faith, Moses' parents hid him away for three months after his birth. They saw the child's beauty, and they braved the king's decree. By faith, Moses, when grown, refused the privileges of the Egyptian royal house. **He chose a hard life with God's people rather than an opportunistic soft life of sin with the oppressors.** He valued suffering in the Messiah's camp far greater than Egyptian wealth because he was looking ahead, anticipating the payoff. By an act of faith, he turned his heel on Egypt, indifferent to the king's blind rage. **He had his eye on the One no eye can see, and kept right on going. Hebrews 11:23-27 (MSG)**

• Courage means: trusting who you know.

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NKJV)

• Courage means: being willing to let go.

But He said to me, My grace (My favor and loving-kindness and mercy) is enough for you [sufficient against any danger and enables you to bear the trouble manfully]; for My strength and power are made perfect (fulfilled and completed) and show themselves most effective in [your] weakness. Therefore, I will all the more gladly glory in my weaknesses and infirmities, that the strength and power of Christ (the Messiah) may rest (yes, may pitch a tent over and dwell) upon me!

2 Corinthians 12:9 (AMP)