



## ***“Motherhood: The Image of God”***

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Sermon Notes**

*What does God look like?*

**We can understand the image of God through motherhood.**

### **#1: Mother’s Birth Relationship.**

#### **Genesis 1:26-27 (Amplified Version)**

<sup>26</sup>God said, Let Us [Father, Son, and Holy Spirit] make mankind in Our image, after Our likeness, and let them have complete authority over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, the [tame] beasts, and over all of the earth, and over everything that creeps upon the earth. <sup>(A)</sup>

<sup>27</sup>So God created man in His own image, in the image and likeness of God He created him; male and female He created them. <sup>(B)</sup>

#### **Genesis 2:18 (New Living Translation)**

<sup>18</sup> Then the Lord God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is just right for him.”

#### **Luke 1:26-31 (New Living Translation)**

<sup>26</sup> In the sixth month of Elizabeth’s pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a village in Galilee, <sup>27</sup> to a virgin named Mary. She was engaged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of King David. <sup>28</sup> Gabriel appeared to her and said, “Greetings, favored woman! The Lord is with you! <sup>(a)</sup>”

<sup>29</sup> Confused and disturbed, Mary tried to think what the angel could mean. <sup>30</sup> “Don’t be afraid, Mary,” the angel told her, “for you have found favor with God! <sup>31</sup> You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus.

### **#2: Mother’s Teach us to Love God & Others.**

#### **Matthew 22:36-40 (New International Version)**

<sup>36</sup>“Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?” <sup>37</sup>Jesus replied: “ ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. <sup>(a)</sup> <sup>38</sup>This is the first and greatest commandment. <sup>39</sup>And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself. <sup>(b)</sup> <sup>40</sup>All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”

### **#3: Mother's Demonstrate the Power of Love.**

#### **1 Corinthians 13:8 (Amplified Version)**

<sup>8</sup>Love never fails [never fades out or becomes obsolete or comes to an end]...

#### **1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (New International Version)**

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. <sup>5</sup>It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. <sup>6</sup>Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup>It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

#### **Hebrews 13:5 (New International Version)**

<sup>5</sup>...God has said,

"Never will I leave you;  
never will I forsake you."<sup>[a]</sup>

#### **Genesis 3:15 (New International Version)**

<sup>15</sup> And I will put enmity  
between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring <sup>[a]</sup> and hers;  
he will crush <sup>[b]</sup> your head,  
and you will strike his heel."

### **Conclusion**

- 1. By embracing our relationship with our mothers we can embrace one with God.**
- 2. Remember How are Mothers taught us to love God and others.**
- 3. Never forget, just as our Mothers will never leave us neither will God.**