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HAPPY
Mother's
DAY

**Welcome to Service
in God's House
Honoring Mothers**

Repeat

**These are the 2 Most Important Hours
of My Week – Help Me to Cherish
Them**

**I Am Here Today to Worship
Not to Be Entertained**

**I Am Singing to An Audience of One
Accept My Worship Oh Lord!**

Repeat

I Lift My Offering to You

Let It Please You Oh Lord

This is My Seed

Although It Leaves My Hand

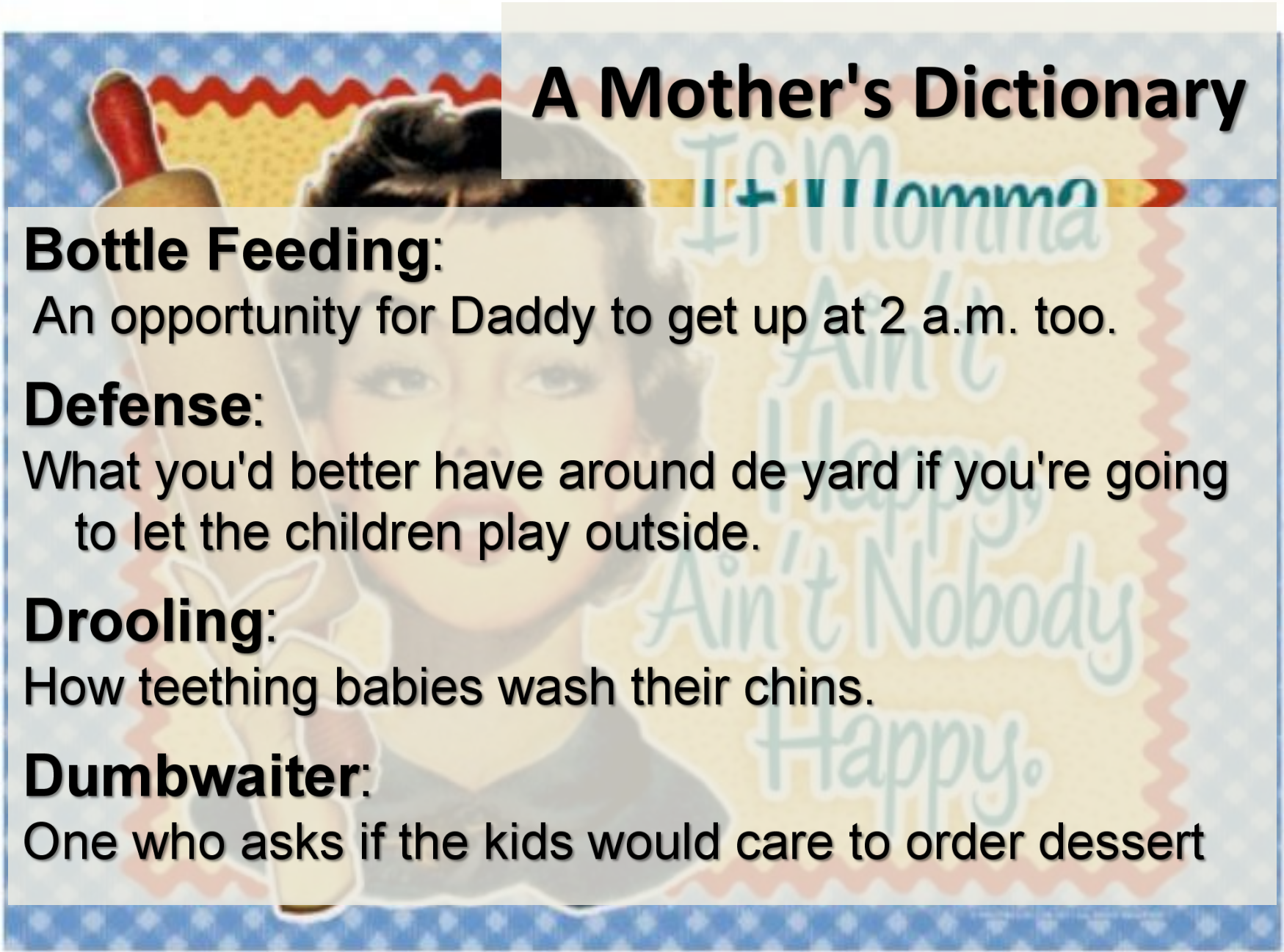
It will Never Leave My Life

You Will Multiply It!

Accept My Seed Oh Lord!

If Momma
Ain't
Happy,
Ain't Nobody
Happy.





A Mother's Dictionary

Bottle Feeding:

An opportunity for Daddy to get up at 2 a.m. too.

Defense:

What you'd better have around de yard if you're going to let the children play outside.

Drooling:

How teething babies wash their chins.

Dumbwaiter:

One who asks if the kids would care to order dessert

A Mother's Dictionary

THERE'S A REASON SOME PEOPLE
THINK THEY CAN DO ANYTHING...

They listened to their mothers.

A Mother's Dictionary

Feedback:

The inevitable result when the baby doesn't appreciate the strained carrots.

Full Name:

What you call your child when you're mad at him.

Grandparents:

The people who think your children are wonderful even though they're sure you're not raising them right.

Hearsay:

What toddlers do when anyone mutters a dirty word.

MARVELOUSLY

OVERFLOWING WITH LOVE
AND

TOUCHING THE

HEART OF

EVERYONE SHE

REACHES

Her children rise up and call her
blessed;
her husband also, and he
praises her
Proverbs 31:28

M ARVELOUSLY **A Mother's Dictionary**

Look Out:
What it's too late for your child to do by the time you scream it.

Prenatal:
When your life was still somewhat your own.

Prepared Childbirth:
A contradiction in terms.

Puddle:
A small body of water that draws other small bodies wearing dry shoes into it.

mum *mama* *mommy*
A Mother's Dictionary

BEAUTIFUL
unconditional love
creative UNSELFISH
LOVE U LOVE U LOVE U
BELIEVES
life patient GENTLE
compassionate
NURTURING
strength DEVOTED

A Mother's Dictionary

Sterilize:

What you do to your first baby's pacifier by boiling it and to your last baby's pacifier by blowing on it.

Temper Tantrums:

What you should keep to a minimum so as to not upset the children.

Two-Minute Warning:

When the baby's face turns red and she begins to make those familiar grunting noises.

Whodunit:

None of the kids that live in your house.



Good Morning Mothers (by birth or adoption)

- Ever Felt Insufficient?**
- That What You Do Doesn't Count?**

Let's Talk!

**As a Mother, Everything You Do Counts
Through Christ You Are More than Sufficient
From the Cradle to the Grave Your Influence
Will Always Be in Your Family's Heart**

There's no way to be a
**PERFECT
MOTHER**
*and a million ways
to be a good one.*

— Jill Churchill



But It Goes Much Deeper ...
Whether You Know It or Not
You Play a Vital Role in Spiritual Warfare
It Is Exemplified Through What the World
Considers the Least Likely...

A Canaanite Woman
Her Actions in Crisis Points to
Mothers First Steps in Spiritual Warfare



Edward Christian Church

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Mothers and Spiritual Warfare

Matthew 15:21

Mother's Day 2024



Sayings about Mother

- **A Spanish proverb says: *An Ounce of Mother is Worth a Pound of Clergy***
- **Abraham Lincoln said: *No One is Poor who has a Godly Mother***
- **A Jewish Proverb may say it Best: *A Child without a Mother is like a Door without a Knob***
- ***“The hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that rules the world.” -W.R. Wallace***

A close-up photograph of a woman with her head tilted back and eyes looking upwards. She is wearing a gold-colored headscarf with intricate braided patterns. Her hands are clasped together in a prayer position, with her fingers pointing upwards. She is wearing a white lace-trimmed sleeve. The background is dark, and the lighting highlights her face and the texture of the headscarf.

**We Wrestle Not with
Flesh And Blood
Eph 6:12**

A person wearing a white lace robe with their hands clasped in prayer. The background is dark, and the text is overlaid on the image.

Don't Need to Be...

...a Great Somebody

...Just Get to a Great God

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She Was a...

- **Poor Woman** – *Husband Never Mentioned*
- **Outcast:**
 - **Birth** – *Canaanite/ Gentile*
 - **Situation** – *Daughter/ devil*
 - **No Name**
 - **But Elevated by God**

One of Only 2 Jesus said had “Great Faith”

What Did She Do to Catch Jesus' Attention?



Overcome Great Excuses

We Wrestle Not with **Flesh And Blood** **Eph 6:12**

Mark 7:26

She Stepped Beyond Own Crisis'...

- **Identity** (*Nobody – Unnamed*)
- **Inferiority** (*Woman*)
- **Prejudice** (*Gentile / Canaanite*)

I REALIZED
when you look at your mother,
— you are looking at the —
PUREST LOVE
YOU WILL EVER KNOW.

— Mitch Albom



Empowered By Great Love

*when you look at your mother,
— you are looking at the —*

PUREST LOVE

Yc

W.

1 Cor 16:13-14 NKJV

**Watch, stand fast in the
faith, be brave, be
strong. Let all be done
with love**



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PUREST LOVE

Yc

1 Cor 16:13-14 NKJV

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Her Love was Powerful than Her...

- Fear
- Shame
- Hardship and Sacrifice

- **1 Peter 4:8**, “...love covers a multitude of sins”
- **1 John 4:18**, “*There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love*”

A Mother's Prayer

Oh give me patience when wee hands
Tug at me with their small demands.

And give me gentle and smiling eyes.
Keep my lips from hasty replies.

And let not weariness, confusion, or noise
Obscure my vision from life's fleeting joys.

So when, in years to come my house is still
No bitter memories its rooms may fill.

Author: Ida Hall Brown



Armed With Great Determination

She Conquered the Test of

James 1:3-4 Amp

³ Be assured *and* understand that the trial *and* proving of your faith bring out endurance *and* steadfastness *and* patience.

⁴ But let endurance *and* steadfastness *and* patience have full play *and* do a thorough work, so that you may be [people] perfectly and fully developed [with no defects], lacking in nothing.

Armed With Great Determination

She Conquered the Test of...

- **Patience in Divine Silence (22-23)**

...Jesus did not answer

- **Doubt /Discouragement (23)**

...send her away

- **Rejection (24)**

...I was sent only to...Israel

- **Humility (25-27)**

...It is not right.... to dogs

Knew Power of Great Prayer



A *Mother's* PRAYER

DEAR LORD,

*Grant me the gift of listening
with my heart, not just with my ears.
Give me a servant's heart, Lord, and
a tongue far quicker to praise and pray
than to judge and criticize.*

Knew Power of Great Prayer

Ephesians 6:18 Amp

¹⁸ Pray at all times (on every occasion, in every season) in the Spirit, with all [manner of] prayer and entreaty. To that end keep alert and watch with strong purpose *and* perseverance, interceding in behalf of all the saints (God's consecrated people).

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She Acknowledged...

- ✓ **His Divinity...**
...Worship
- ✓ **His Control...**
...Lord
- ✓ **She Can't Manage Her Life...**
...Without His Help

Mothers learn
by taking baby
steps, too, and
God will help
you each step
of the way.



Kept by Great Persistent

James 1:3 Amp

³ Be assured that the testing of your faith [through experience] produces endurance [leading to spiritual maturity, and inner peace].

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James 1:3 Amp

**This Woman's Faith was Tested
in Three Ways:**

She Kept After Jesus In spite of...

- His Silence
- Disciples Lack Of
- Being Undeserving

...She Kept Coming!

your faith
endurance
and inner

A bouquet of pink roses is shown on the left side of the image. In the bottom left corner, there is a small, light pink heart-shaped tag with the words "I love you" written on it. The background is a soft, out-of-focus greyish-white.

Crumbs

**MOTHERS:
REFLECTING
GOD'S IMAGE**

Crumbs



Crumbs

Less than Leftovers...

- Disposable - *Napkins*
- Discarded - *Thrown on Floor*
- Dogs - *Would Clean the Floor*

Not Even Considered Part of the Meal

But It wasn't "What She Got"...

...but "Who She Got it From"!

AS A MOTHER
MY JOB IS TO
TAKE CARE OF THE
possible
AND TRUST GOD WITH THE
impossible

She Stood Til Triumphed

She Received Great;

- Commendation
...You have a great faith
- Approval
...Your request is granted
- Miracle
...Her daughter was healed

She Stood Til Triumphed

The Lord will cause your
enemies who rise against you
to be defeated before you. They
shall come against you one way
and flee before you seven ways.

Deuteronomy 28:7

She Stood Til Triumphed

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Don't Give Up!

Yes

You Are In Spiritual Warfare

No

You Don't Have to Be Perfect...

...to Go to Battle !!

**ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS
SHOW UP, DRESSED UP!**

The LORD shall cause
thine enemies that rise
up against thee to be
smitten before thy face:
they shall come out
against thee one way,
and flee before thee
seven ways. Deut. 28:7

