

LESSON 24

THE SINGLE MOTHER

The burdens on the widow, the one who has been put away, or the one who has divorced, are not doubled but multiplied. Yet, praise be to the Lamb, the situation is far from hopeless.

1. Is it possible for one saved parent to raise holy children (1 Corinthians 7:14)?
2. What do we know of Timothy's father (Acts 16:1-3)?
3. What do we know of Timothy's mother and grandmother (2 Timothy 1:5)?
4. How did they train him (2 Timothy 3:14-17)? What were the results?
5. What was the Shunammite woman's attitude toward the ministry (2 Kings 4:8-10)? What was her husband's attitude (2 Kings 4:22-23)?
6. What was her reward (2 Kings 4:20, 36-37, Hebrews 11:35)?
7. What do the stories of Moses and Samuel teach us about raising children for God in a corrupt environment?
8. What do they teach about the power and influence of the mother's instruction and example?
9. Why do children of a single parent especially need constant fellowship in the local church?
10. What commands does God give the church regarding the fatherless?
11. List the special needs of single mothers.
12. List some ways you can be of help to the single mothers in your church.
13. Write out each phrase of the 23rd Psalm. Under each phrase discuss how that promise relates to you as a mother.
14. If you are a single mother, list your frustrations regarding your circumstance. Honestly mark those being used as

excuses for some area of failure. Place beside each item on the list a Bible promise upon which to stand that you might have victory.

15. What steps can you take to ensure your children will not grow bitter against God because of their situation?
16. How will using their situation as an excuse for their failures harm them?