

I Samuel 1-3

Mother vs. Wife

"Wife" focuses on relationship to a certain man

"Mother" focuses on relationship with a child

Husband vs. Father

"Husband" focuses on relationship to a certain woman

"Father" focuses on relationship with a child

How to raise a Godly Child

1. Start Before birth (1:9-18 cf. 1:27)
2. Have A Goal for your child from birth (1:11)
3. Teach and Train toward this end (Prov. 22:6); *2 Tim. 3:15; 1:5*
4. Thoroughly teach him or her your beliefs and God's plan and purpose (Prov. 22:6)
5. Take him/her to God's House (1:24)
6. Give him/her to God once/daily (1:28)
7. Recognize God will use even inconsistent servants to train the new servant. Ex. Eli a failure in his own home; Billy Sunday - D.L. Moody
8. Expect great things from God for him/her and expect great things from him/her for God. (2:11, 21, 26, 3:1,7,19)