

# A Mother's Love

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Hymn 406, 207, 76

## The Bible

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*Psalms 27:10, 12*

When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up. Deliver me not over unto the will of mine enemies: for false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty.

*1 Kings 3:3 (to:), 5, 6 (to:), 9, 12 (to:) 16-21, 23-27*

Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of David his father. ... In Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night: and God said, Ask what I shall give thee.

And Solomon said, Thou hast shewed unto thy servant David my father great mercy, according as he walked before thee in truth, and in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart with thee; ... Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people?

And the speech pleased the Lord, that Solomon had asked this thing. ... Behold, I have done according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart;

Then came there two women, *that were* harlots, unto the king, and stood before him. And the one woman said, O my lord, I and this woman dwell in one house; and I was delivered of a child with her in the house. And it came to pass the third day after that I was delivered, that this woman was delivered also: and we *were* together; *there was* no stranger with us in the house, save we two in the house. And this woman's child died in the night; because she overlaid it.

And she arose at midnight, and took my son from beside me, while thine handmaid slept, and laid it in her bosom, and laid her dead child in my bosom. And when I rose in the morning to give my child suck, behold, it was dead: but when I had considered it in the morning, behold, it was not my son, which I did bear. ... Then said the king, The one saith, This *is* my son that liveth, and thy son *is* the dead: and the other saith, Nay; but thy son *is* the dead, and my son *is* the living. And the king said, Bring me a sword. And they brought a sword before the king. And the king said, Divide the living child in two, and give half to the one, and half to the other.

Then spake the woman whose the living child *was* unto the king, for her bowels yearned upon her son, and she said, O my lord, give her the living child, and in no wise slay it. But the other said, Let it be neither mine nor thine, *but divide it*. Then the king answered and said, Give her the living child, and in no wise slay it: she *is* the mother thereof.

***Psalms 51:3, 5,6, 8 (to ;)***

Behold, I was shapen in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.  
Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden *part* thou shalt make me to know wisdom. ...Make me to hear joy and gladness;

***Proverbs 11:16 (to :)***

A gracious woman retaineth honour:

***John 7:42***

Hath not the scripture said, That Christ cometh of the seed of David, and out of the town of Bethlehem, where David was?

***Proverbs 31:10 (to ?)***

Who can find a virtuous woman?

***Matthew 1:18 the birth, 22, 23 ...***

The birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. ... Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

***Luke 2:40-49, 51 his mother, 52***

And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him. Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast. And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not *of it*.

But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they sought him among *their* kinsfolk and acquaintance. And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him.

And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions. And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.

And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing. And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business? ...his mother kept all these sayings in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.

***Proverbs 1:1-5, 7 (to:), 8, 33 whoso***

The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel; To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding; To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity; To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion. A wise *man* will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain

unto wise counsels: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge: My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:...whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil.

**Isaiah 66:13 (to;)**

As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you;

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**29:10-11**

Great is the reward of self-sacrifice, though we may never receive it in this world.

**60:8**

A mother's affection cannot be weaned from her child, because the mother-love includes purity and constancy, both of which are immortal. Therefore maternal affection lives on under whatever difficulties.

**2:8-10**

God is not moved by the breath of praise to do more than He has already done, nor can the infinite do less than bestow all good, since He is unchanging wisdom and Love.

**57:4-10**

Union of the masculine and feminine qualities constitutes completeness. The masculine mind reaches a higher tone through certain elements of the feminine, while the feminine mind gains courage and strength through masculine qualities. These different elements conjoin naturally with each other, and their true harmony is in spiritual oneness.

**61:24-30, 31-7**

Is not the propagation of the human species a greater responsibility, a more solemn charge, than the culture of your garden or the raising of stock to increase your flocks and herds? Nothing unworthy of perpetuity should be transmitted to children.

The formation of mortals must greatly improve to advance mankind. ... If the propagation of a higher human species is requisite to reach this goal, then its material conditions can only be permitted for the purpose of generating.

The entire education of children should be such as to form habits of obedience to the moral and spiritual law, with which the child can meet and master the belief in so-called physical laws, a belief which breeds disease.

**28:32-1**

There is too much animal courage in society and not sufficient moral courage.

**236:12-17**

A mother is the strongest educator, either for or against crime. Her thoughts form the embryo of another mortal mind, and unconsciously mould it, either after a model odious to herself or through divine influence, "according to the pattern showed to thee in the mount." Hence the importance of Christian Science, from which we learn of the one Mind and of the availability of good as the remedy for every woe.

**125:5-6**

Moral conditions will be found always harmonious and health-giving.

**192:11-13, 24**

Erring power is a material belief, a blind miscalled force, the offspring of will and not of wisdom, of the mortal mind and not of the immortal.

Evil is not power. It is a mockery of strength, which ere long betrays its weakness and falls, never to rise.

**531:32-4**

Did God at first create one man unaided, — that is, Adam, — but afterwards require the union of the two sexes in order to create the rest of the human family? No! God makes and governs all.

**553:17-18,19-23**

Adam was created before Eve. In this instance, it is seen that the maternal egg never brought forth Adam. ... Whatever theory may be adopted by general mortal thought to account for human origin, that theory is sure to become the signal for the appearance of its method in finite forms and operations.

**533:21-7**

Materiality, so obnoxious to God, is already found in the rapid deterioration of the bone and flesh which came from Adam to form Eve. The belief in material life and intelligence is growing worse at every step, but error has its suppositional day and multiplies until the end thereof.

Truth, cross-questioning man as to his knowledge of error, finds woman the first to confess her fault. She says, "The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat;" as much as to say in meek penitence, "Neither man nor God shall father my fault." .... Hence she is first to abandon the belief in the material origin of man and to discern spiritual creation. This hereafter enabled woman to be the mother of Jesus and to behold at the sepulchre the risen Saviour, who was soon to manifest the deathless man of God's creating. This enabled woman to be first to interpret the Scriptures in their true sense, which reveals the spiritual origin of man.

**191:8-13**

As a material, theoretical life-basis is found to be a misapprehension of existence, the spiritual and divine Principle of man dawns upon human thought, and leads it to "where the young child was," — even to the birth of a new-old idea, to the spiritual sense of being and of what Life includes.

**109:22-27**

When a new spiritual idea is borne to earth, the prophetic Scripture of Isaiah is renewedly fulfilled: "Unto us a child is born, . . . and his name shall be called Wonderful."

**29:12-19,**

The Virgin-mother conceived this idea of God, and gave to her ideal the name of Jesus — that is, Joshua, or Saviour.

**479:1-3**

If a child is the offspring of physical sense and not of Soul, the child must have a material, not a spiritual origin.

**29:32-1**

Jesus was the offspring of Mary's self-conscious communion with God.

**30:5-8,21**

Born of a woman, Jesus' advent in the flesh partook partly of Mary's earthly condition, although he was endowed with the Christ, the divine Spirit, without measure.

This ideal was demonstrated throughout the whole earthly career of Jesus, showing the difference between the offspring of Soul and of material sense, of Truth and of error.

**463:14-16**

The new idea, conceived and born of Truth and Love, is clad in white garments. Its beginning will be meek, its growth sturdy, and its maturity undecaying.

**503:3**

These ideas range from the infinitesimal to infinity, and the highest ideas are the sons and daughters of God.

**592:16**

MOTHER. God; divine and eternal Principle; Life, Truth, and Love.

**29:12-19**

Man as the offspring of God, as the idea of Spirit, is the immortal evidence that Spirit is harmonious and man eternal.

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