

## **The influence of a righteous mother**

As I look back over my life and the influence that my mother had on me, I realize that the things she thought me have never left my memory. They are burned into my character and will stay there forever. A righteous mother's influence for good spans the generation and touches the lives of so many more than her own children. Her influence radiates in the lives of her children, her grand children, and great-grandchildren and out to all the come in contact.

There are five attributes my mother possessed that are worth modeling unfortunately, the apple has fallen far from the tree, on some of these characteristic. I feel that I would to incorporate these five principles into their lives:

### **Work hard**

My mother was always working. I'm not talking about career really, although she did have a good career before marrying my father in having children with him. She was always working. She was cleaning ` cooking ` planting rice...always working to the field, or teaching us to do the same. She got in there with us and showed us how to work, taught us the proper way to vacuum, to dust, to mop, to wash dishes, she instilled an intense desire to work for what we wanted in life.

### **Waste not a minute**

My mother taught us to use our time wisely. We learned quickly that you don't tell that you are bored. If you did, you'd quickly be given some house hold chores, to enliven your day. If we fought or quarreled, we were put to work. My mother live by, the motto that an "idle mind is the devil's workshop" "constructive use of time was Paramount, and that principle is indelibly burned into the character of her children.

### **Keep your words**

My oldest sister fondly refers to my mother as "the burning bush" If my mother said it would happen, regardless of whether it was punishment or reward it would be carried out so let it be written. So let it be done. She didn't make promises she was not prepared to keep if she promised you something, even something else came up to intervene, she would still find a way to carry out her promise. Her character was and is beyond reproach .

### **Be Consistent**

My mother was ever consistent there were no surprises. If you disobeyed, you knew you'd reap the assigned consequence. When it comes to her devotion to God. She is ever faithful ever true, My mother saw that we were in church every Sunday. Only rare an occasions, in cases of illness, did we miss a Sunday.

She taught consistence and faithfulness by , Although one could hardly say I am consistent in raising my children at least her consistency in her divot to God has worked its way deep into my mind.

These five characteristics that my mother possesses in such intensity affect not only her own children and grand children. As her children and grand children go out and attempt to follow in her footsteps others are blessed and impacted for good. The example of righteous mother avails much, spans the generation and permeates to all with in the reach of those she touches, and for me to follow in this present to my children and others.