

Timothy demonstrated genuine faith and loyalty to the Lord, and Paul the apostle credited these traits to how Timothy was raised by his mom and grandmother.

As we examine Paul's second letter to Timothy, we discover three important ways that moms and others can invest in their children and grandchildren so they will fear the Lord and desire to serve Him with their lives. These traits can also be implemented into our own character traits

I. Tenderness

The first thing Paul remembered when he thought of Timothy was Timothy's tears Timothy was the most loyal friend Paul had Timothy cried at some event At a departure Paul and Timothy had When Paul installed him as the pastor at Ephesus and departed

Tenderness is a good trait, especially in a man

Timothy got his tenderness from his mother and grandmother

II. Godliness

Timothy means one who fears the Lord Eunice means one who conquers well Paul visited Lystra two times First time: Eunice and Lois were converted Second time: Timothy had matured in faith and joined Paul's team

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"Genuine faith" (v. 5)

Unhypocritical, genuine, sincere, real Isaiah 29:13

This people draw near with their words
And honor Me with their lip service,
But they remove their hearts far from Me,

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The first five years of a child's life are the most critical

85 percent of a child's character is formed by age five

III. Boldness

The product of genuine faith is faithful service to God

Tenderness and godliness provide the impetus for boldness

Heritage could be translated <u>assignment</u>
You can't <u>pass</u> on what you don't have

Closing Thoughts

A mother's role is the most <u>important</u> task on planet earth

A mother's job never ends, but her influence lasts a <u>lifetime</u>

God made mothers to help us arrive at God's best once we've been born