

Happiness In Your Home
A Tribute To Christian Mothers



Text: Acts 8:26-40

I. Introduction

- Abraham Lincoln's "order" to an army surgeon; Lincoln asked him about his widowed mother; she wrote to Lincoln thinking her son dead; President ordered surgeon to write a letter to his mother

II. Mothers And Letters

- The life story of war hero and writer Romain Gary; French bombardier received lot of letters from his mother during war, survived in his desire to home to his mother and present his war medals to her, but she died quite a long time before the end of the war, mother hid her illness from her son and wrote all those letters long before she died, she instructed a friend to mail them one letter at a time until the war ended
- The New Testament is Christ's "love letter" to us!; He will be with us to the end of the age

III. A Special Man Who Likely Had A Very Special Mother

- Eunuchs were not allowed to enter the assembly of the Lord under old covenant, but Jesus changed all this so that God's love covers every person regardless of their individual situation, eunuch responded to gospel
- **Isaiah 56:3-5**
- Eunuch's mother raised him correctly, witness he was reading Isaiah when Philip, who had been driven out of Jerusalem by Saul of Tarsus, met the eunuch

IV. We Are All One Family Regardless Of Our Individual Situations

- **Galatians 3:27**
- The story of Stephanie and her mom; Stephanie had cancer and lost her hair as a result of her treatments, her mother shaved her own head to show strength and support for her daughter
- Even so, Jesus identifies with us ! Though He had no sin of His own, he died on the cross in our sin

V. God Gave His Son In Our Behalf

- The reason Olin T. Binkley was successful; he ran out of money during college, his parents gave him money to go back to school, his mother picked black walnuts for her son's college fund – what a loving sacrifice! Binkley's parents surrounded all their children with love and support
- As we make sacrifices for our own children, we realize that one day they will come to appreciate those sacrifices. But we must all appreciate the sacrifice that God has made for us!

VI. Conclusion

Why not respond to God's love...right now?