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Willerup United Methodist Church
Sermon Notes
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Mother's Day

2 Timothy 1:5 “I am reminded of your SINCERE FAITH that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois, and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well.”

Romans 16:13 “Greet Rufus, chosen in the Lord, and his mother, who has been mother to me, too.”

Mark 15:21 “A certain man from Cyrene, Simon, the father of Alexander and Rufus, was passing by on his way from the country, and they forced him to carry the cross.”

If Rufus is the son of this Simon from Cyrene, then Simon must have told his spouse about his encounter with Christ and the cross. The whole family became Christian. Paul was writing from Rome, so it is probable that this Rufus is the same person.

The mother of Rufus, inspired by Christ, also encouraged young Paul, and provided a mother's care to him, as to her own son.

What is a Mother?

M- MOTHER - “A female parent, especially one of the human race; one who has given birth to a child; matron; the origin or source etc.,” (*Webster's Dictionary*). Often will take even the children's friends under her care and feed them. She will

monitor how the family is functioning, are they fed, cared for? Her highest priority is caring for the immediate needs of the ones under her care.

O- OVERSHADOW - Matthew 23:37 and Luke 13:34

“O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gather her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing.”

T- TEACHER - A mother will teach them to walk, to eat, to fend for themselves. She will provide, nurture, guide. She shows concern for their welfare.

H- HOME BUILDER - She balances the family relationships and responsibilities, Proverbs 31:11-28.

E- ENDURANCE - Most to whom we give the name of “Mother” have endured the pain of childbirth. A Mother meets the demands of each member of her household and yet does not grow tired of doing things for them. She endures insults from her spouse and children. In her old age, she waits and looks forward to visits from children, even when they live in the same town. Loves keep no past records.

R- RESOURCEFUL - Proverbs 31:11-28

More verses on Motherhood:	Isaiah 66:12-13,
Deuteronomy 32:11,	John 3:5-6,
Isaiah 49:15,	Psalms 131:1-2