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A MOTHER'S INFLUENCE

Moms, I want you to know, in case you have almost forgotten, that your influence never ends.

Even the best parenting can be ignored, but never forgotten.

THREE THINGS YOU CAN DO TO MAXIMIZE YOUR INFLUENCE.

1. CONTINUE TO PRAY

There's a great example of a praying mom in the Bible. Ref: 1 Samuel 1:12, 27: 2:2, 21

Every time Hannah is mentioned in the Bible, she's either praying or having children.

Moms, when you pray for your children, you not only ignite the presence of God in their lives; you give them an example to follow. Your commitment to prayer teaches them the power of prayer. Pray for your children.

2. CONTINUE TO BUILD

Every time you teach your children a lesson or repeat for them a "principle of strength", you're laying another brick on the foundation of their lives.

Your words have special power. "You can do it," carries more weight when you say it than when others say it, because you know them best. So I encourage you: Continue to speak into your children's lives. Continue to encourage them and build them up. Ref: John 2:4 NLT; John 2:11

3. CONTINUE TO HANG IN THERE

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother... (John 19:25)

When your child fails, you can make sure that they never fail alone. And when they feel like the whole world has turned against them, you can make sure that they know, at the very least, that it's the whole world minus one.

God has said to us, "I will never leave you or forsake you," (Hebrews 13:5) -- and that's what we need to say to one another.