

# Mother's Day

## There Is Now No Condemnation...

### Eve

#### 1. Eve was alone yet not condemned.

**Genesis 4:1<sup>b</sup>-2 (NIV)** “[Eve] became pregnant and gave birth to Cain. She said, ‘With the help of the Lord I have brought forth a man.’<sup>2</sup> Later she gave birth to his brother Abel.”

**Genesis 4:25-26 (NIV)** “[Eve] gave birth to a son and named him Seth, saying, ‘God has granted me another child in place of Abel, since Cain killed him.’<sup>26</sup> At that time people began to call on the name of the Lord.”

### Bathsheba

#### 2. Bathsheba was wronged yet not condemned.

**2 Samuel 11:2-3 (NIV)** “One evening David got up from his bed and walked around on the roof of the palace. From the roof he saw a woman bathing. The woman was very beautiful,<sup>3</sup> and David sent someone to find out about her. The man said, ‘She is Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam and the wife of Uriah the Hittite.’”

**2 Samuel 11:4-5 (NIV)** “David sent messengers to get her. She came to him, and he slept with her. (Now she was purifying herself from her monthly uncleanness.) Then she went back home.<sup>5</sup> The woman conceived and sent word to David, saying, ‘I am pregnant.’”

**Psalms 125:2 (NIV)** “As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his people both now and forevermore.”

### Hagar

#### 3. Hagar was mistreated & cast out yet not condemned.

**Genesis 16:4<sup>b</sup>-6 (NIV)** “When [Hagar] knew she was pregnant, she began to despise her mistress.<sup>5</sup> Then Sarai said to Abram, ‘You are responsible for the wrong I am suffering. I put my slave in your arms, and now that she knows she is pregnant, she despises me. May the Lord judge between you and me.’<sup>6</sup> ‘Your slave is in your hands,’ Abram said. ‘Do with her whatever you think best.’ Then Sarai mistreated Hagar; so she fled from her.”

**Genesis 16:9-10 (NIV)** “Then the angel of the Lord told her, ‘Go back to your mistress and submit to her.’<sup>10</sup> The angel added, ‘I will increase your descendants so much that they will be too numerous to count.’”

**Genesis 16:13 (NIV)** “She gave this name to the Lord who spoke to her: ‘You are the God who sees me,’ for she said, ‘I have now seen the One who sees me.’”

**Genesis 21:17-19 (NIV)** “God heard the boy crying, and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven and said to her, ‘What is the matter, Hagar? Do not be afraid; God has heard the boy crying as he lies there.<sup>18</sup> Lift the boy up and take him by the hand, for I will make him into a great nation.’<sup>19</sup> Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. So she went and filled the skin with water and gave the boy a drink.”

### Mary

#### 4. Mary was daring yet not condemned.

**Luke 1:26<sup>b</sup>-32<sup>a</sup> (NIV)** “... God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee,<sup>27</sup> to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary.<sup>28</sup> The angel went to her and said, ‘Greetings, you

who are highly favored! The Lord is with you.’<sup>29</sup>Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. <sup>30</sup>But the angel said to her, ‘Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. <sup>31</sup>You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. <sup>32</sup>He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High.’”

**Luke 1:38 (NIV)** “‘I am the Lord’s servant,’... ‘May your word to me be fulfilled.’”

## **Me**

### **5. I am not condemned.**

**Romans 8:1 (NIV)** “Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus”