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Video: Becoming your Mom

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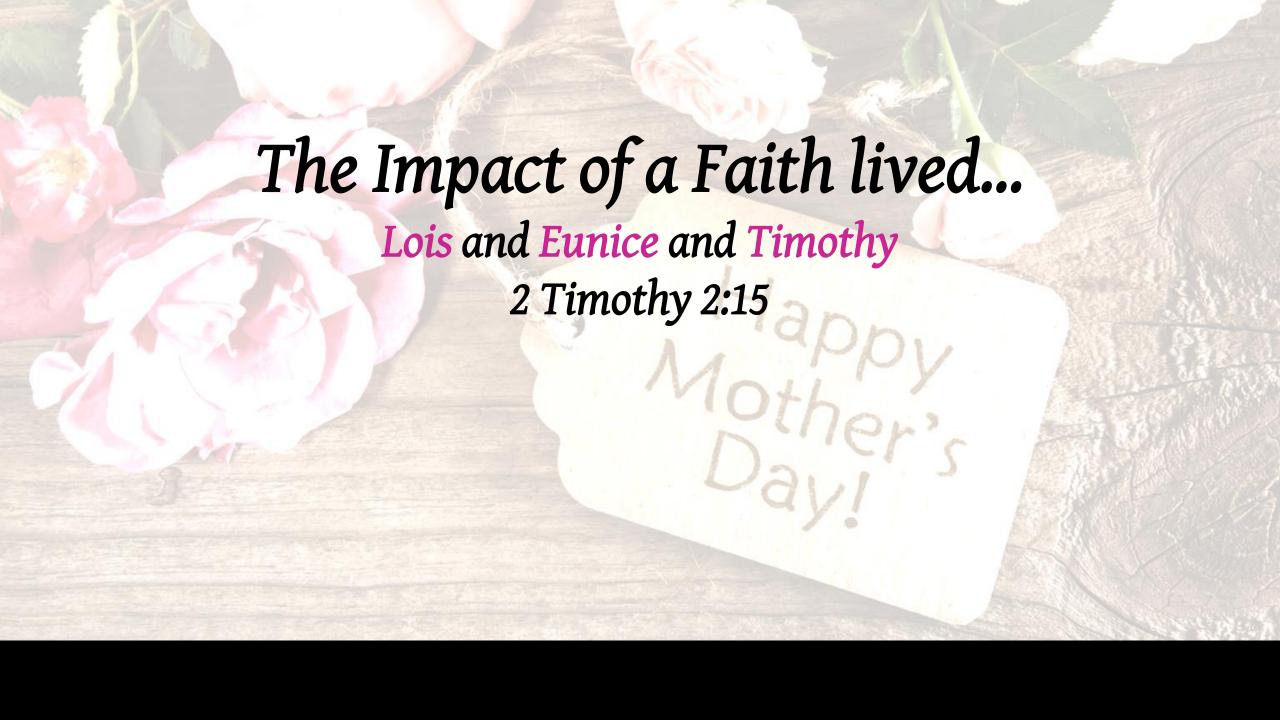
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Half the kids in the class wrote, "Mother."





#### I'd like to introduce you to Lois and Eunice.

Once upon a time... There was...

A young man who grew up in a home without a Christian father, but with a godly mother and a godly grandmother; and this young man became a major influence for the cause of Jesus Christ in the first century.

His name was Timothy. How did a little boy from the city of Lystra, a mystical place given over to idol worship, develop into such a great leader for the cause of Jesus Christ?

He was raised by a godly mother and grandmother.



- There had been three generations of genuine faith in Timothy's family: first, his grandmother Lois; then his mother Eunice; and now finally Timothy himself.
- What made this mother stand out were her qualities in her own life that she passed down to her own son.
- Eunice's husband is not mentioned by name in the Scripture. Eunice was a Jew, and believed; but his (Timothy) father was Greek. This suggests Timothy's father was probably an unbeliever.



- The faith of Timothy can be attributed to the training of his mother. Timothy was a strong Christian, and this was in part due to the genuine faith of his mother.
- The Bible refers to Eunice's faith when Paul said to Timothy that what would be remembered most about Timothy's mother was that the faith she had was genuine.
- Genuine faith produces a genuine Christian. A child's convictions and what they believe are shaped [for the most part] by the child's parents.



A teaching mother will train her children in the things of God, but more importantly will live them. Eunice's faith was portrayed in her life because of a heart that believed in God.

You can't help but teach what you truly believe.

Sure, Timothy learned from Paul and others, but his foundation was under the influence of his mother Eunice.

Paul tells us that Timothy had a real, living faith in his heart.

He had more than just a profession of faith; he had an active faith.





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Lois and Eunice passed down this sincere faith to Timothy because their faith was who they were... Not just what they said...



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[A widespread perception of your character and attributes. Being held in high esteem]

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*In closing...* 



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When the other scholars started laughing, he said, "Yes, she translated the Scriptures.

My mom translated each page of the Bible into life.

It is the most convincing translation I have ever seen."



Video: Mother Spoken Word