

Keeping Hope in Mind: Mother's Day Ruth 1:1-18 (NLT)

Parenting is not a set of skills to be learned but a relationship to be cultivated.

- 1. Cultivate relationships with the children God has brought into my life.**
(Ruth 1:4a-5 NLT)

Look for opportunities to influence our kids. (Ruth 1:7 NLT)

Validating our kids leads to them valuing our relationship. (Ruth 1:8 NLT)

- 2. When we prioritize the relationship with our kids, everyone wins.**

What are some of the ways we win?

- Secure attachments are formed. (Ruth 1:10 NLT)
- Behavior follows the relationship. (Ruth 1:16 NLT)
- They see God's love for them through you. (Ruth 1:16 NLT)

Never underestimate what **God** is doing in the "kids" you are **raising**.
(Matthew 1:5-6a NLT)