Sunday, May 13, 2018 (Mother's Day) Union Baptist Church, Wilmington Dr. LaBarron McAdoo, Sr. Series: Sermon: A Biblical Formula for a Happy Mother

## Don't forget about Momma

**Proverbs 23:22-25** - (KJV) 22 Hearken unto thy father that begat thee, and despise not thy mother when she is old. 23 Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding. 24 The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice: and he that begetteth a wise child shall have joy of him. 25 Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall rejoice.

All of us are by products of Mother's ministry. Until we get over the issues of unhealthy parent and child relationships, we are bound to repeat the curse. Get over it.

In order to make mothers happy:

- The Time Issue This verse identifies the struggle with the life and the balance of marriage. In marriage, there is an legitimate necessary separation. It is hard to balance marriage life and mother relationship. Sometimes, loyalty to the mother relationship dominates the marriage relationship. There is a struggle. You got to leave to cleave. When you leave, you don't have to forget that you were ever there. It was Momma that made it possible for you to marry. There ought to be loyalty to the person you marry. The purpose of parenting is to get them to leave you but not to abandon you. Mothers still deserves time. Spend time with your mother. The responsibility of maintaining relationship does not end. Even Jesus on the cross made sure that Momma was ok. There were times that you mother had to do things for you that were not convenient. So, if the reverse becomes a reality, you ought to do for her what may not be convenient for you. v. 22
- 2. The Training Issue Your Momma begins your training. We need to make it known who the trainers are. We never finish growing. She starts you off and gets you set up. When she starts you off right and you end up right, she gets the credit because she start you off. Don't have it and give it away for money or love. How do grow up knowing that God is real and because of love or Money and begin to deny the truth that you know. A lot have knowledge but don't know when to use it. V. 23
- 3. The Triumph Issue After you have gotten time to spend with mom, has he4 dream of success become true? Was the time invested well? We see them making the change and living better and holy. She is glad. Gil or geel which means going full circle. She can begin to see that the cycle is completed, she gets glory. The glory that a mother gets doesn't rob God because we are thanking God for her. v. 24 &5

We are to give glory:

- It is textual. God said do it. He told you to honor her. If you don't do that to her, something bad is going to happen to you. It is trans-generational it goes through all generations. 1.
- 2.
- It is just right 3.

Our enemies don't have the power that we give them.

Him.