

LIKE ARROWS IN THE HANDS OF A WARRIOR ARE CHILDREN BORN IN ONE'S YOUTH. PSALM 127:4

Mothers are arrow-makers (dads are too) — Isaiah 49:1-2

- Do you have people in your Connect Group with dependent children at home? Or anyone working with the children on Sundays? Or people working on parenting courses? Ask them to share the blessing of their work, and pray for them.
- Tell stories of what children who've grown up in this church are now doing.

Mothering can come with a lot of guilt

- How does the gospel address the guilt we feel about failures of our parenting?
- Encourage one another.
- Pray for mothers. Pray for fathers. Pray for marriages.

Honouring mothers — Proverbs 31:28-31

- What do this mother's children do?
- What might that look or sound like in today's world?
- What do this mother's husband do?
- What might that look or sound like in today's world?
- What values does this passage prize above others? Why?

Calling our children into their destiny — Luke 1:59-60

- What did Elizabeth fight for, for her baby?
- The name John has a meaning: 'Yahweh has been gracious.' How might we call down God's grace on our children?
- A lot of stuff is spoken over our children. In what sort of scenarios do we need to imitate Elizabeth and speak up about our child's destiny? What might that sound like?