

WHEN I HOLD YOU

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REMEMBER

As a mother comforts her son, so I will comfort you..." Isaiah 66:13a CSB

READ [For Kids]

Proverbs 1:8-9

God has given you a mommy for so many reasons—to care for you, teach you, encourage you, and treasure you. Your mommy works hard for you, prays for you, and wants what's best for you. The Bible says it's good for children to listen to their parents and obey them. God also gave us parents to show us what His love is like. God's love is even greater than our mommy's love. Can you believe that? Your mommy's love for you is pretty big, so that means the love of God must be gigantic.

THINK [For Kids]

1. What do you love most about your mommy?
2. Name three ways you know your mommy loves you.
3. How big is God's love for us? (Even bigger than our mommy's!)

READ [For Moms]

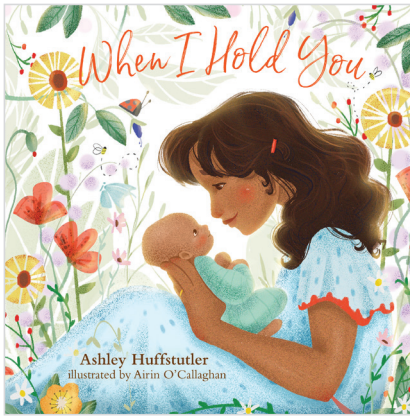
Psalm 91

Read Psalm 91. Motherhood is filled with tender moments spent with a new child. Mothers ask, "How can I cherish my child more? How will I teach them about God? How can I keep them safe?"

It's easy to get lost in these thoughts, to feel overwhelmed by our responsibility as moms. This beautiful relationship reveals our deep need for Christ. To love our little ones with dependence on God—that is what's necessary.

Psalm 91 reminds us that God richly provides for us through every season of life. His Word is our stronghold. He alone is our refuge and protector. At the end of this passage (v. 14-16), God proclaims a bold love over His children who have set their hearts on Him.

As women dependent on God, we want them to know about His goodness, faithfulness, and protection. We aim to model God's thoughts and feelings for us in our interactions with them. Finally, we understand that our love will fail our children sometimes, but God's love never will.



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THINK [For Moms]

1. Reflecting over the newest addition to your family, how has God provided for you? For your family? For this child?
2. God is worthy of our praise. Psalm 145 speaks of proclaiming God's works to the next generation. How has God been faithful to you? What are specific awe-inspiring acts you've seen God do that you can share with your child??
3. Psalm 150 is centered on praising the Lord. How do you like to praise God? Do you sing? Do you pray aloud? In what ways can you tell God that He is great? How might you lead your children to join you in this or do so themselves, even at a young age?
4. In Deuteronomy 6:4-9, we are given the greatest commandment: Love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. We are then told to repeat these commands to our children when we are sitting, walking, lying down and getting up. In what ways do you currently "repeat these commands" to your children? Put more simply, how might you show God that you love Him while your children watch?