

## Some Other Mothers Hebrews 11:32-40

### Well Known Bible Mothers

Often hear of Sarah, Rachel, Mary, Elizabeth and other well-known women when we think of Bible Mothers.

Sometimes hear of Naomi, Ruth, Lois, Eunice and other lesser known also.

Our text mentions many who are unnamed, but faithful examples

Want to consider 3 “mothers in Israel” today

Hope their stories will help those who may feel ‘left out’ when we talk about the more ‘famous’ mothers.

### First One Who Is Named

Yet in her story as a mother, she is unnamed - **Exodus 6:20; Exodus 2**

Her struggle

Raised her son for someone else

Similar to Hannah - **1Samuel 1:22**

Raised her son to follow the Lord

Not much detail for example, but helps to know God can be emphasized even in difficult circumstances

### The Widow

Left alone with two sons - **2Kings 4:1-7**

Indebted to another

No indication why in debt, had to deal with it anyway

Saw no way out with what she had available to her

Turned to God through Elisha

Again, not much in the way of example, yet a reminder that turning to God in our time of need will help

### The Wealthy One

Reluctant mother? - **2Kings 4:8-17**

Death, resurrection

Put trust in God through Elisha

Lost everything from following his instruction - **2Kings 8:1-8**

All returned because of trust in Lord

Though she suffered loss multiple times, she still turned to God and His leaders and put her trust in Him.

### Lessons For Us

Trusting in God first can make all the difference in difficult times - **Matthew 6:33; Psalm 33:18**

Even though our life may be difficult, and we may suffer loss, we can find good.

I don't have to be perfect; I just have to keep trying.

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