



### I. INTRO

- A. He should have listened to his mom

**Proverbs 31:1 (NLT)** The sayings of King Lemuel contain this message, which his mother taught him.

**1 Kings 11:1-2 (NLT)** Now King Solomon loved many foreign women. Besides Pharaoh's daughter, he married women from Moab, Ammon, Edom, Sidon, and from among the Hittites. The Lord had clearly instructed the people of Israel, "You must not marry them, because they will turn your hearts to their gods." Yet Solomon insisted on loving them anyway.

**1 Kings 11:4 (NLT)** In Solomon's old age, they turned his heart to worship other gods instead of being completely faithful to the Lord his God, as his father, David, had been.

- B. There are things we didn't realize we learned from our parents

### II. WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

- A. What's in my lunch mom?

**John 6:5-13 (NLT)** Jesus soon saw a huge crowd of people coming to look for him. Turning to Philip, he asked, "Where can we buy bread to feed all these people?" He was testing Philip, for he already knew what he was going to do. Philip replied, "Even if we worked for months, we wouldn't have enough money to feed them!" Then Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up. "There's a young boy here with five barley loaves and two fish. But what good is that with this huge crowd?" "Tell everyone to sit down," Jesus said. So they all sat down on the grassy slopes. (The men alone numbered about 5,000.) Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks to God, and distributed them to the people. Afterward he did the same with the fish. And they all ate as much as they wanted. After everyone was full, Jesus told his disciples, "Now gather the leftovers, so that nothing is wasted." So they picked up the pieces and filled twelve baskets with scraps left by the people who had eaten from the five barley loaves.

- B. This miracle happened because a mother gave her child something to take with him

- C. Father Abraham

- What did God find in Abraham that impressed him so much?

**Genesis 18:17-19 (KJV)** And the Lord said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do; seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? For I know him that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord, to do justice and judgment; that the Lord may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.

- The selection of Abraham by God included how he raised his children

- D. When I consider the things my momma said:

- There's not a parent alive who doesn't wish they had a do-over
- We unintentionally learned things, what if we were intentional?



### III. THINGS MY MOMMA PACKED IN MY LUNCH BOX

- A. I'm thankful for my mother
- B. So much of what I am today is because of what she put in me

**Genesis 22:2 (NLT)** "Take your son, your only son—yes, Isaac, whom you love so much—and go to the land of Moriah. Go and sacrifice him as a burnt offering on one of the mountains, which I will show you."

- C. Abraham was asked to sacrifice Isaac, the child of promise, on an altar

**Genesis 22:13-14 (NLT)** Then Abraham looked up and saw a ram caught by its horns in a thicket. So, he took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering in place of his son. Abraham named the place Yahweh-Yireh (which means "the Lord will provide"). To this day, people still use that name as a proverb: "On the mountain of the Lord it will be provided."

- We want to shield and protect our kids from everything
- **We're so busy trying to give them what we didn't get, that we're robbing them of the lessons learned and the faith that was built in those difficult moments**

**2 Timothy 1:12 (NLT)** That is why I am suffering here in prison. But I am not ashamed of it, for I know the one in whom I trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him until the day of his return.