

Verses for Moms of Hard-to-Handle Boys

(25 Verses to Help Fight off the Lies, by Brooke McGlothlin)

1. When you feel scared, choose to believe God is in control.

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? Psalm 27:1

2. When you feel weary, choose to believe God is good.

For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations. Psalm 100:5

3. When you feel alone, choose to believe God will never leave you.

It is the LORD who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not leave you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed. Deuteronomy 31:8

4. When you feel unseen, choose to believe God knows your needs.

Thereafter, Hagar used another name to refer to the LORD, who had spoken to her. She said, "You are the God who sees me." She also said, "Have I truly seen the One who sees me?" Genesis 16:13 NLT

5. When you feel unheard, choose to believe God is listening.

Because he bends down to listen, I will pray as long as I have breath! Psalm 116:2 NLT

6. When you feel hopeless, choose to be confident in God's ability to win the day.

Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident. Psalm 27:3

7. When you feel depressed, look for the wonderful ways God loves you.

Remember that each day brings a new display of His mercies.

Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. Lamentations 3:22-23

8. When you feel worthless, choose to believe you are of great worth to God.

Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings... Psalm 17:8

9. When you feel unloved, choose to believe God's love for you never goes away.

I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.
Jeremiah 31:3

10. When you feel misunderstood, choose to believe Jesus understands exactly what you're going through.

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Hebrews 4:15

11. When you feel abused, choose to believe God is on your side.

The LORD will fight for you, and you have only to be silent. Exodus 14:14

12. When you feel brokenhearted, choose to believe God has the power and desire to heal.

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. Psalm 147:3

13. When you feel desperate, choose to remember where your strength comes from.

GOD, the Lord, is my strength; he makes my feet like the deer's; he makes me tread on my high places. Habakkuk 3:19

14. When you feel like nothing will ever change, choose to remember all the things God has done for you in the past, and believe He will do them again.

I would have lost heart, unless I had believed that I would see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Psalm 27:13 NKJV

15. When you feel lost, choose to turn your eyes back to Jesus and His Word.

In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Proverbs 3:6

16. When you feel crushed in spirit, choose to believe God is close by.

The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit. Psalm 34:18

17. When you feel overwhelmed, choose to spend time in the presence of God, remembering all He has promised you.

The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Psalm 23

18. When you feel like you're losing your mind, choose to call out to the Lord for help.

But you, O LORD, do not be far off! O you my help, come quickly to my aid! Psalm 22:19

19. When you feel hurt, choose to believe the Lord is there to help and shield you.

We wait in hope for the Lord; he is our help and our shield. In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name. May your unfailing love be with us, Lord, even as we put our hope in you.
Psalm 33:20-22

20. When you feel like giving up, remind yourself of how to take one more step.

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. Ephesians 6:10-11

21. When you feel confused, choose to believe God has a plan.

For God is not a God of confusion but of peace. 1 Corinthians 14:33

22. When you feel lost, remember that Jesus left everything to come find you.

What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? Matthew 18:12

23. When you feel attacked, choose to believe God is all you need, His approval your only goal.

I cry to you, O LORD; I say, "You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living. Psalm 142:5

24. When you feel nothing, choose to praise anyway, believing your emotions will follow.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Philippians 4:4

25. When you feel angry, choose to remember where your hope comes from.

I pray that your hearts will be flooded with light so that you can understand the confident hope he has given to those he called—his holy people who are his rich and glorious inheritance.

Ephesians 1:18 NLT

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