

One of the first things I learned when my daughter was tiny was that no matter what I did she imitated it. Having only had sons previous to her, this came as somewhat of a pleasant surprise to me. It was cute, it was flattering, and it was entertaining.

It wasn't until she was around 18 months old that I became aware of how big a responsibility this was. I was helping to put together my sister's wedding and was about as stressed out as I'd ever been. Since the family of my sister's fiancé had promised to help and hadn't followed through, I was even more stressed and not just a little bit angry. Stomping through the house grumbling, I turned just in time to see my daughter stomp her foot and let out a few grumbles of her own, her beautiful little face screwed up in fury.

Well, my anger left me in a whoosh and I repented, realizing I had not been teaching my daughter a servant's heart, but rather an arrogant and angry attitude.

The fact is, you can tell your daughter how she should behave all day long, but until you model it yourself, it is going to make little impression on her. That is why it is so important that we ourselves learn what Biblical Womanhood looks like so we can teach it to our daughters.

So how do you spend your time? Do you let her see you studying the Bible or listening to praise music? Do you serve and give to others with a cheerful heart? Do you speak respectfully of and to her father?

Remember, the one thing that is going to teach your daughter the most is your own example. What will she learn from you?