



HONOR OUR
MOTHERS

History of Mother's Day

- Mothering Sunday
 - Started in the 16th century
 - Three weeks before Easter
 - Return to “Mother Church”
 - Time to give gifts and honor mothers
 - Time off to servants so they could attend worship with their families

History of Mother's Day

- Modern Mother's Day
 - Started in 1908
 - Ann Jarvis successfully campaigned to make it a recognized US holiday (1914)

Ann Jarvis described mother as "the person who has done more for you than anyone in the world."

Presidential Proclamation

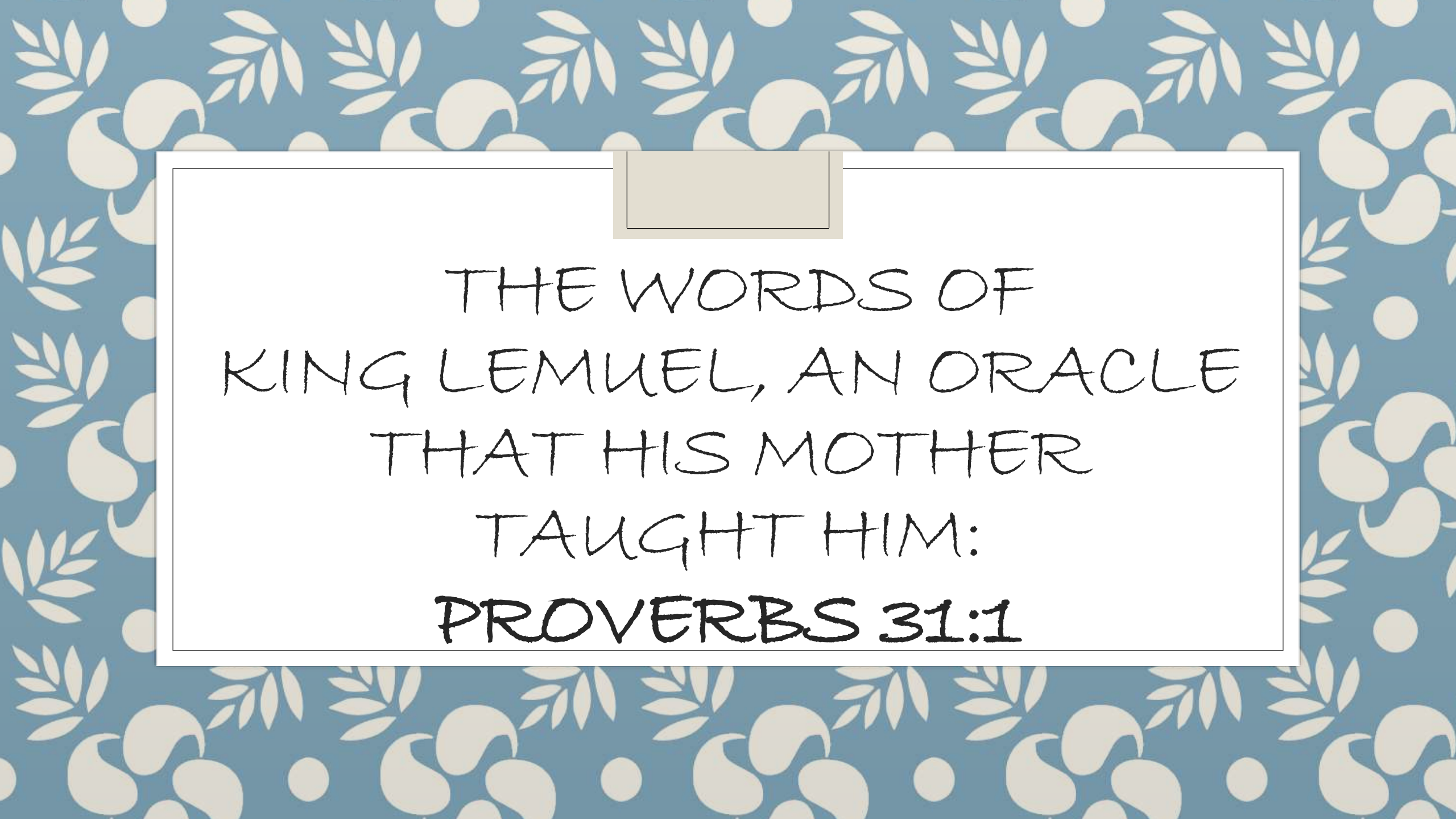
I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the said Joint Resolution, do hereby direct the government officials to display the United States flag on all government buildings and do invite the people of the United States to display the flag at their homes or other suitable places on the second Sunday in May as a public expression of our love and reverence for the mothers of our country.

Reverence

- A feeling of deep respect, mixed with wonder, fear, and love.
- Do we?

Feminism?

- In modern history the feminist movement has done more for women than the church has
- How has a movement mostly antagonistic to Christian ideals been so influential?
- There is Hope
 - More women are abandoning the movement 65% of women say they don't like the label feminist
 - Strange that the movement has become anti-feminine and anti-motherhood.



THE WORDS OF
KING LEMUEL, AN ORACLE
THAT HIS MOTHER
TAUGHT HIM:
PROVERBS 31:1

Proverbs 31

- Who is Lemuel,
 - King of Massa (Oracle),
 - Solomon (about his mother Bathsheba),
 - Or other unknown King
- The last chapter of Proverbs spoken by a mother to her son
 - Solomon 29 chapters
 - Mother 1 chapter
 - 31 verses sort of a mini book of proverbs



BIBLICAL ACROSTIC

The “Modern” American Version (A to Z)

Women throughout the Bible have...

- Demonstrated quiet trust in the words of God
- Loved and moved the hearts of kings
- Been warriors to bring down giants and kingdoms
- Served as national leaders
- Hidden Jewish spies
- Mother of Nations
- Devoted daughter-in-laws
- Led out in religious instruction in the home
- Prayer warriors
- Prayer in church

Your wife is a complement to you...
...not a servant for you

- Companion
- Love her as Christ loves the church
- Understand
- Weaker Nature?
- Honor
- Coheirs of grace
- Why? "So that your prayers will not be hindered."

Children Obey and honor your mother

- Obey as you would obey the Lord
- Honor
- Commandment with a promise
 - Go well with you
 - Long life

Attitude of Gratitude

- Rise up (stand up)
- Honey there are a lot of good women, but you surpass them all
- God commands that we praise her
- Praise Publicly as well
- Video Presentation