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Her Outward Adornment

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The godly woman is thrilled to be a daughter of the King of Kings, an ambassador of Christ, and saved by his grace. She knows that she is not perfect, yet she has been forgiven and redeemed to show forth his praise. She has been bought with a high price at Calvary and does not take this honor lightly. She embraces all that God has done for her and lives her life unto God and for his purpose.

As the scripture commands, her utmost desire is to please God in both body and spirit. She feels privileged that she is called to be the very temple that houses God's Holy Spirit. She delights in cultivating a spirit of holiness through her inner character, her outward adornment, and her conduct. She has allowed God to form her identity and purpose as she lives out a woman that is chosen by him, special, set apart, holy, and part of his royal family.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 - What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

1 Peter 2:9 – But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

The godly woman has allowed God to transform her old carnal thinking into new spiritual thinking. Daily, she works at crucifying the flesh and its desires so that she can present her body as a living sacrifice that is holy and acceptable to God. She prayerfully searches her heart with God's Word and seeks to yield to His Spirit so that she can prove best what is good, acceptable, and the perfect will of God in regards to her inner character, her outward adornment, and her conduct.

Romans 12:1-2 - I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Ephesians 4:24 - *And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.*



The godly woman is modest. She is reserved, decent, proper, unpretentious, and orderly in her apparel. A modest woman realizes that both her inner character and outer apparel should reflect what the scripture says regarding conduct. The attitude of a godly woman is like a beautiful picture for all to behold and view. Her clothes are like the frame that is surrounding her beautiful picture. They are not too elaborate, extravagant, or showy, but just attractive enough to enhance her inner beauty. Her neat, orderly, decent, and attractive clothes will only bring glory to the beautiful picture that she has created inside.

1 Timothy 2:9-10 - In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel.

Proverbs 31:22 - She maketh herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing is silk and purple.

Outward appearance is observed by noticing three things. A person's clothes, their conduct and their outward, expressions. Though the Lord looks on the heart, people tend to look on the outward appearance to form judgments, so our appearance is important.

1 Samuel 16:7 - For man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart.

She knows that her dress reveals her commitments and beliefs to others. She believes that, according to scripture, it is not right for a man to look upon a woman to lust after her. Therefore, she does not dress in a way that could provoke this kind of lustful thinking. She is careful not to be revealing, suggestive or provocative in any way. She knows that it is her dignity in her modest dress that will teach men to respect her and treat her as the godly woman that she is. Trying to be sexy and tempting men through sight adultery is something she guards against and refrains from at all cost.

Mathew 5:28 – But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart. Page 4

Many women say in response to this scripture, "But a man is responsible for his thoughts if he is lusting after me." True, men are responsible for their own hearts and thoughts, but it is also not true that you are responsible as a godly woman to dress in a modest way that does not provoke any lustful thoughts. You should be the blameless one.

Both psychology and common experience tell us that the male sex drive is often triggered by visual stimuli alone. Jesus proved this to be a fact with this scripture by stating that a man can commit adultery simply with just his eyes only.

Would you as a godly woman, be willing to deny yourself the pleasure of dressing in a revealing, suggestive, or provocative way in order to help the men around you? Would you seek to be blameless in the way that you behave and dress?

1Corinthians 8:12-13 - But when ye sin so against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, ye sin against Christ. Wherefore, if meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend.

Make a declaration: "If immodesty feeds a temptation for my brother to sin, then I will not dress that way!" I will seek rather what incites purity of thought and apprehension among the opposite sex."

The godly woman understands that her dress is the mirror of her mind and feelings. She will be diligent to be temperate (using self-control) to let her modesty rule over her feelings. She understands that what she wears changes her mood. It molds her expectations. It affects how she feels.

A woman may put on a sexy, tight-fitting skirt because she feels provocative; she may want to feel alluring by wearing a seductive dress. She may feel bad about herself, so she puts on drabby looking clothes. She may feel excited and cheerful in her mood, so she puts on a bright and colorful garment. The godly woman has a constant reign on all her passions and emotions so that she can dress in a modest appropriate way regardless of her feelings.

1 Timothy 3:11 - Likewise, their wives must be reverent, not slanderers, temperate, faithful in all things.

Am I modest?

If people notice your extravagant, showy clothes and everyone is turning their head to look at you before they notice you, then you are probably not modest.



If you have trouble getting into a garment or out of it because it is too tight and revealing all of your womanly bumps and shapes, it is probably not modest.

If your neck line is revealing the cracks between your breasts or simply your breasts are hanging out of garments, then it is probably not modest.





The godly woman celebrates her respective role of being the feminine beautiful woman that God created her to be. She is not afraid to reveal her femininity and her womanhood in the way she dresses and adorns herself. She loves dressing in women's apparel because she knows that is what God desires for her.

Esther 2:7 - And he brought up Hadassah, that is, Esther, his uncle's daughter: for she had neither father nor mother, and the maid was fair and beautiful; whom Mordecai, when her father and mother were dead, took for his own daughter.

The godly woman is aware of God's love and his commands that there be distinctions between men and women. She knows that God designed her distinctively different than a man. She accepts the fact that she is made differently in her body as the weaker, tender, and more sensitive vessel.

She knows her role is different in that she was created to be man's helper. She respects that she is man's glory. She understands therefore that God wants her to look different from men in the way she dresses and demonstrates her gender's differences. Through her everyday decisions of dress and adornment, the godly woman shows the world around her that God designed a distinction between the sexes.

Deuteronomy 22:5 - The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the LORD thy God.

We no longer use certain ceremonies of the Old Testament law but the principles of the law never change. Not making distinction in gender differences by the way that we dress is an abomination unto God which is something that He hates. The world is ever changing with time, culture and morality, however, God and his principals never change.



In the American culture, a skirt or dress has always been the garment that distinguishes a woman from a man. A sign with the symbol of a woman in a dress and a man in pants is placed upon most restroom doors to distinguish which restroom is for which gender. A dress reflects a woman's femininity to a man more than any other garment because it is not a garment that he, as a masculine man, would feel comfortable wearing.

A dress is also a modest garment for a woman because it is not form fitting around her inner front and bottom private areas like pants are. When a man sees a gal dress differently than him and embracing her femininity in her dress, then he treats her differently and like the feminine gal that she is!

As God has ordained distinction between man and woman in the difference of their dress, so has he ordained it in the difference of their hair. The scripture say's that a woman reveals submission in her marriage (surrendering to her husband as her head and authority) by her willingness to keep her hair long which means to be uncut, shorn, or shaven. Her long hair represents her spiritual covering of submission to God and to her husband. For a man it is a shame for him to have long hair. His cut, short hair reveals his submission to God as his head and authority. This distinction of hair difference is what reveals the power of God upon a woman's head since she is living in submission, and this gives the angels evidence of her role as a submitted woman of God.

1 Corinthians 11:6-7 - For if the woman be not covered, let her also be shorn: but if it be a shame for a woman to be shorn or shaven, let her be covered. For a man indeed ought not to cover his head, forasmuch as he is the image and glory of God: but the woman is the glory of the man.

1 Corinthians 11:9-10 - Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man. For this cause ought the woman to have power on her head because of the angels.

1 Corinthians 11:14-15 - Doth not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him? But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering.



SHE ADORNS HERSELF WITH SHAMEFACEDNESS AND SOBRIETY

The modest woman feels responsible for her effect upon others and has an inner sense of shame. She never wants to be an instrument of Satan by drawing undesirable attention to her face. A sense of shame proceeds and prevents a shameful act; therefore, she uses sobriety (self control) in the way she adorns her face. She seeks to be plain, natural, bashful, and restrained in her facial appearance rather than being colored, bold, and drawing unneeded attention.

1Titus 2:9 - In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety not with broided hair or gold or pearls or costly array.

1Peter 3:3-4 - Whose adorning let it not be that "outward adorning" of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel; But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.

Peter used the words "outward adorning" to describe the kind of adornment a woman should not seek. The Greek word he used was "cosmos", from which we get the word "cosmetics". The godly woman does not need outward cosmetics of make-up, elaborately jewel entwined hair, gold, pearls, jewelry, or costly, showy clothes to reveal her beauty. Rather, she needs the imperishable jewel of a meek and quiet spirit that is valuable to God. Beauty for her isn't obtained from outward cosmetics, but from having an inner modest, meek, gentle, and godly spirit.



The modest woman understands with a godly confidence that she is fearfully and wonderfully made by God and that what He made is good. She accepts God's creative ability in how uniquely he designed her and therefore, she is content and thankful for who she is and what she looks like. She is aware that the world is constantly alluring women through advertisement and media to "buy beauty and goodness" through the means of many disguising and deceiving things. The world is trying to market beauty through the wearing of colorful cosmetics; through dyeing, cutting, and changing the color of hair; through the ability to tan skin, and through the ability to have body parts surgically changed, enlarged, or altered. She knows that God never called her to create another look or to create a different person than he has already designed her to be. She is aware that what God has made is already beautiful and good and that her responsibility is not to try to wear or buy beauty, but to grow the beauty that is already hers. Within her is God's holiness and that is what makes her beautiful!

Genesis 1:31 - And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good.

Psalm 96:9 - O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth.

Psalm 139:14 - I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.

Esther requested nothing to make her beautiful and acceptable in the king's sight. They used nature oils, perfumes, and purifying agents to prepare her for the king. It was simply her natural beauty and beautiful spirit that attracted the king.

Esther 2:12–15 – Now when the turn of each maiden came to go in to King Ahasuerus, after the regulations for the women had been carried out for twelve months--since this was the regular period for their beauty treatments, six months with oil of myrrh and six months with sweet spices and perfumes and the things for the purifying of the women-- Now when the turn for Esther the daughter of Abihail, the uncle of Mordecai who had taken her as his own daughter, had come to go in to the king, she required nothing but what Hegai the king's attendant, the keeper of the women, suggested. And Esther won favor in the sight of all who saw her.

SHE IS CHASTE

The godly woman is chaste. She is inwardly innocent of sexual impurity in her desires and imaginations. She keeps guard of her thoughts, so they are free of any immorality or obscenity. She reserves her sexual desires for her marriage.

She takes control of her body by dressing modestly because she knows that her honorable secret parts are to be revealed only to her husband. She understands that nakedness is associated with shame in the Bible. She is careful to cover herself appropriately in public and never dress in a way to dishonor her husband's trust in her.

Titus 2:4-5 - That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.

1 Peter 3:1-2 - Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives; While they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear.

Ezekiel 23:18 – She revealed her harlotry and uncovered her nakedness. Then I alienated Myself from her, As I had alienated Myself from her sister.

She refuses to act or look like the strange woman in Proverbs. The "strange woman" that is ever seeking to be enticing, seducing, and flattering men. Rather, she is chaste, pure, and free from adornment and actions that would elicit lust from men. She is faithful to her own husband and seeks to please him only. If she is not married, she has aligned herself with the Word of God and lives chaste unto the Lord as he is her husband and we are His bride.

Proverbs 7:5, 21, 25-27 - That they may keep thee from the strange woman, from the stranger which flattereth with her words. With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, with the flattering of her lips she forced him. Let not thine heart decline to her ways, go not astray in her paths. For she hath cast down many wounded: yea, many strong men have been slain by her. Her house is the way to hell, going down to the chambers of death.

2 Corinthians 11:2 - For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.



Her Inner Character



She fears the Lord

The godly woman fears the Lord and has a reverent awe toward Him that causes her to desire to be obedient to His commands and surrender herself to His will for her life. This reverent fear causes others to be drawn to her and praise her.

Proverbs 31:30 – Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing, But a woman who fears the LORD, she shall be praised.

As she fears the Lord, she is filled with his character and becomes a living portrait of who He is. God is holy. He hates sin. The godly woman delights in holiness. She hates sin and refrains from anything that would cause her to lose her sense of purity and holiness. Her fear of God causes her to be continually filled with His holy presence and favor.

Proverbs 8:13 – The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate.

Psalm 96:9 - O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth.





She professes godliness with her works

The godly woman is known by her good works of loving, serving, and giving unto the Lord and to her family. She is never idle because she is always doing good works.

Acts 9:36 - Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha, which by interpretation is called Dorcas: this woman was full of good works and alms deeds which she did.

1 Timothy 2:10 - But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.

She is sober

The godly woman uses self -control and wisdom when making daily decisions. She is careful not to engage in worldly pleasures that could easily distract her from being spiritually alert and able to guard against Satan's attacks. She refuses to partake of any substance or addictive habit that could alter her thinking or ability to make good and godly judgments. She refuses to engage in any worldly activity that would cause her spiritual life to be weakened or spoken ill against.

Titus 2:4-5 – That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.

Titus 2:12 – Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;

1 Peter 5:8 - Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour.

She is virtuous

She is trustworthy to her husband and others. She is industrious and hard working. She is thrifty by making plans with her time and money. She is strong spiritually, mentally, and physically. She is charitable in giving to others. She is wise and kind in her speech. She fears the Lord. Her children and all her good works bring her praise and honor.



Nothing is said of her outward beauty. It is her character and good works that elevate her and cause her to be praised.

Proverbs 31:10-31 - Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil. She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life. She seeketh wool, and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands. She is like the merchants' ships; she bringeth her food from afar. She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her household, and a portion to her maidens. She considereth a field, and buyeth it: with the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard. She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengtheneth her arms. She perceiveth that her merchandise is good: her candle goeth not out by night. She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff. She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy. She is not afraid of the snow for her household: for all her household are clothed with scarlet. She maketh herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing is silk and purple. Her husband is known in the gates, when he sitteth among the elders of the land. She maketh fine linen, and selleth it; and delivereth girdles unto the merchant. Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come. She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness. She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness. Her children arise up, but thou excellest them all. Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.

She is grave

The godly woman is serious about her role as God's woman. She does not take her role of being a wife, mother, and godly example lightly. She is never intentionally careless with her roles. She is earnest and real about her commitment. She pours her whole heart into kingdom business and considers her calling to be of utmost importance.

1 Timothy 3:11 - Even so must their wives be grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things.

Titus 2:7 – In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works: in doctrine shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity.



She is good

The godly woman delights in doing good for others rather than being vengeful, mean, or spiteful. She seeks what is best for others and does what will bring blessing, help, and joy to others lives.

Proverbs 31:10-12 - Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil. She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life.

Galatians 5:22 – But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith.

Philippians 2:13 – For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

Titus 2:4-5 - That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good.



She is faithful in all things

The godly woman is committed and loyal to her God and His kingdom. She is dependable on no matter what because her passion for God drives her to be consistent in all spiritual things. She is unmovable and steadfast. She refuses to let any hardship or trial cause her faith to waver or fail. She keeps walking in righteousness and truth no matter what comes her way.

1 Corinthians 15:58 - Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

Colossians 2:7 - Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

She is committed, constant, and consistent in her responsibilities to her family. They can depend upon her to always be stable and steady with them and her home duties. No matter what hobbies she personally enjoys doing, she attends to her family first.

1 Timothy 3:11 - Even so must their wives be grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things.



Her Family Life





She is submissive to her husband

The truly godly woman understands that God has instituted order in the marriage and has given her husband the blessing of being the ruler and head over her as Christ is the head over His church. She knows that when she honors him and his authority over her, then she is honoring God's plan. She understands that to covet his role of leadership is to covet something that was not designed for her. She knows that if she successfully did the job of leading her family, she would not find satisfaction in it. She realizes that it is far better that the job be done poorly by her husband than to be done well by her. She yields and makes every effort to work together with him in harmony as he rules over and leads her and her children.

Genesis 3:16 - Your desire shall be for your husband, And he shall rule over you.

1Corinthians 11:3 - But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God.

Ephesians 5:22-24 - Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything.

1 Peter 3:1-7 - Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands.

The godly woman acknowledges that she was created for her husband and that he was not created for her. She delights in the fact that she is created to be his helpmeet. She finds pleasure in serving, assisting, and helping him.

Genesis 2:18 - And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him.



She respects her husband

1 Corinthians 7:34 – There is difference also between a wife and a virgin. The unmarried woman careth for the things of the Lord, that she may be holy both in body and in spirit: but she that is married careth for the things of the world, how she may please her husband.

1Corinthians 11:9 - Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man.

To respect him is to revere him, to be in awe of him, and to have esteem toward him. Obedience is doing what you know he wants you to do. Submission is your heart giving over to his will. Reverence is more than doing what he wants or needs. It is an act of the woman's will to treat him with a high degree of regard and awe. Respect is not based on being deserving. She chooses to respect him even if and when he does not deserve it because that is what she is admonished by scripture to do.

Ephesians 5:33 – Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

She respects her husband by having and showing a joyful attitude and disposition in her surrender to his God-given role as her head.

1 Corinthians 11:3 - But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God.

Dominance and control have always been masculine characteristics. Women need to be feminine and tender not aggressive. To usurp authority over the man is to dominate and dishonor him with her thoughts, words, and actions. Men do not cherish strong, dominant women who are always expressing their displeasure in them. They cherish and love a woman who is tender and encouraging.

She respects her husband by deferring to, listening to, and valuing his decisions and advice. She is careful not to work independently of him knowing she is capable of being deceived as the weaker and more vulnerable one.

1 Timothy 2:14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression.



She respects her husband

She respects her husband by being thankful to him for being her hard working provider. God designed him to be the provider of the family. Therefore, a Christ minded woman seeks to be thrifty, wise, and responsible to live within her husband's financial means of provision for her and her children.

Genesis 2:15 - *Then the LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it.*

Proverbs 31:11 - The heart of her husband safely trusts her; So he will have no lack of gain.

She respects her husband by complimenting, appreciating, and praising him" in return for his love and care for her as her protector, cherisher, and nourisher. As Christ is the Savior and Cherisher of His Church, so is the godly woman's husband to her.

Ephesians 5:23 – For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body.

Ephesians 5:28,29 - So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church.

A woman cannot command her husband to love and cherish her and should not expect it when she is unloving and unappreciative to him. God gave the woman a key to inspire her husband to love her which is her habit of uplifting and appreciating him.

Because of her respect and desire to do good for her husband, she is like a crown of honor to him, and he values and praises her.

Proverbs 12:4 - A virtuous woman is a crown to her husband. but she that maketh ashamed is as rottenness in his bones.

Proverbs 31:28 – Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her.



She loves her husband

The godly woman seeks to minister to her husband in loving him through physical intimacy. She realizes that God has made them one flesh and that this oneness comes about through their sexual intimacy together.

Genesis 2:24 – *Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.*

Titus 2:4 – That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children.

She is aware that God has designed her husband to need sexual love, approval, and admiration from her as she was created for him. She makes herself a good love partner who always seeks to meet his needs of intimacy. She is careful not to give Satan any opportunities to tempt her husband due to her lack of being a good and interested lover.

1Corinthians 7:2-5 - Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband. Let the husband render unto the wife due benevolence: and likewise also the wife unto the husband. The wife hath not power of her own body, but the husband: and likewise also the husband hath not power of his own body, but the wife. Defraud ye not one the other, except it be with consent for a time, that ye may give yourselves to fasting and prayer; and come together again, that Satan tempt you not for your incontinency.

She realizes that she is not his mother and instructor, but rather is his lover and friend. She enjoys being with him shoulder to shoulder in activities and hobbies. She invests time and energy in hobbies and activities that will help cultivate joy and fun in thier marriage.

Songs of Solomon 5:16 - His mouth is most sweet: yea, he is altogether lovely. This is my beloved, and this is my friend, O daughters of Jerusalem.

Proverbs 5:18 - Let thy fountain be blessed: and rejoice with the wife of thy youth.

Ecclesiastes 9:9 Live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest all the days of the life of thy vanity... Page22



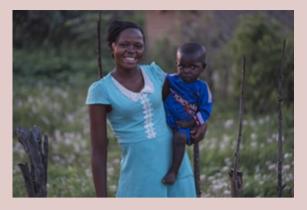
She is obedient to her husband

Just as Sarah, being an example, obeyed Abraham and called him Lord, so the godly woman seeks to obey and revere her husband so as not to bring blasphemy (irreverence) to God's Word. Even if her husband is not saved, she may win him over by her godly and pure lifestyle of reverence and obedience.

Titus 2:5 – To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.

1 Peter 3:1-2 - Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives. While they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear.

1 Peter 3: 6 - Even as Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement.



She loves her children

The godly woman loves her children by training them how to love God and obey His commandments. She realizes that she is the first example and spiritual influence for them to follow. She is careful to reflect the character of Christ to them in her daily life because she knows that they will learn more from what she does than from what she says.

Deuteronomy 6:6-7 - And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

She loves her children by setting an example of how to respect and honor their father. She is careful to never express anything negative about him or treat him with disdain in their presence.

Ephesians 6:2 – Honour thy father and mother; (which is the first commandment with promise;).

Titus 2:4,5 – That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children.

She loves her children by investing her time in instructing and guiding them on how to perform life skills and tasks which will prepare them for adulthood.

Proverbs 22:6 - Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

She loves her children by having the courage to correct, reprove, and teach them manners of respect which are designed to teach them obedience and honor for God, themselves, and others.

Proverbs 13:24 He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes.

Proverbs 29:15 – The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame.

1 Timothy 2:15 Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety. Page 24



She is a keeper of her home

A godly woman guards her home as it is the safe haven and spiritual sanctuary for her family to dwell in. It is the place where she is most comfortable to be as she serves and shares in the love of her family. She delights in taking care of her home and seeks to make it a comfortable dwelling place for her family.

Proverbs 14:1 - Every wise woman buildeth her house: but the foolish plucketh it down with her hands.

Titus 2:4–5 That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home.

She is never idle since she is the keeper of her home. She is often busy cleaning, organizing, decorating, cooking, and making the house a pleasant, neat, and inviting atmosphere for her family.

Proverbs 31:15 – She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her household, and a portion to her maidens.

Proverbs 31:21 – She is not afraid of the snow for her household: for all her household are clothed with scarlet.

Proverbs 31:27 – She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness.

She offers hospitality in her home and creates great meals so others can enjoy times of fellowship together.

Romans 12:13 - Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality.

1Peter 4:9 - Use hospitality one to another without grudging

"To speak evil of no one, to be peaceable, gentle, showing all humility..." Titus 3:2



Her Conversation & Conduct with Others



She is not a slanderer

The godly woman considers and highly repects the reputation of others as she does herself. When she knows someone is in the wrong, has failed, or done a bad deed, she refuses to slight their character or reputation by belittling or railing on them to others. Rather, she seeks to humbly pray for them, love them, and admonish them only if it is her place to do so.

Proverbs 10:18 - He that hideth hatred with lying lips, and he that uttereth a slander, is a fool. In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips is wise.

2 Thessalonians 3:14-15 - And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed. Yet count him not as an enemy, but admonish him as a brother.

1 Timothy 3:11 - Even so must their wives be grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things.



She does not speak reproachfully

The godly woman does not waste her time hanging around other women who like to talk about others by gossiping which is to speak ill about their affairs. She is careful to keep secrets and to not speak about someone who has entrusted their important information to her. She keeps their trust and prays for them instead of repeating their matters and bringing reproach upon them.

Proverbs 11:13 - A talebearer reveals secrets, But he who is of a faithful spirit conceals a matter.

1Timothy 5:13-15 - And withal they learn to be idle, wandering about from house to house; and not only idle, but tattlers also and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not. I will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, guide the house, give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully. For some are already turned aside after Satan.

Titus 3:2 - To speak evil of no one, to be peaceable, gentle, showing all humility to all men.



She is discreet

The godly woman is cautious and careful to think before she speaks. She knows that it is better to be sparing with her words than to spew out everything she knows whether it's true or not. She is not quick to make judgments, or be too opinionated, but is quick to listen and slow to speak.

Proverbs 11:22 - As a jewel of gold in a swine's snout, so is a fair woman which is without discretion.

Proverbs 17:27 –He that hath knowledge spareth his words: and a man of understanding is of an excellent spirit.

Ephesians 4:29 - *Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.*

Titus 2:4-5 - That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.



She seeks to have a meek and quiet spirit

The godly woman seeks to reflect a special, inner ornament that God values at a great price, a meek and quiet spirit. She studies and ponders how to be quiet, peaceful, and humble by not meddling in the affairs of others or trying to get unnecessary information. She is gentle, not loud and boisterous. She avoids confrontation and contention and is a peacemaker. She calmly listens to her husband instead of being the voice that makes decisions or remarks. She has an inner, quiet, and inviting spirit that draws others to trust and confide in her.

Proverbs 21:19 - Better to dwell in the wilderness, Than with a contentious and angry woman.

1Thessalonians 4:11 - And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you.

Titus 3:2 - To speak evil of no man, to be no brawlers, but gentle, shewing all meekness unto all men.

1Peter 3:4 - But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.



She is gracious and kind

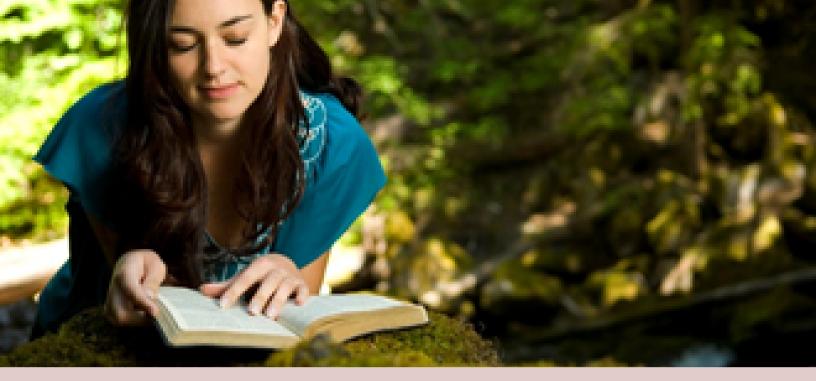
The godly woman is courteous, polite, kind, and cordial. She is never rude even if something does not go her way, but rather she is careful to show respect and kindness. She realizes that, when things don't go her way or work out as planned, God is more concerned about her godly response of being gracious than he is of what didn't happen or work out.

Proverbs 11:16 - A gracious woman retains honor, But ruthless men retain riches.

Proverbs 31:26 - She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness.

Ecclesiastes 10:12 - The words of a wise man's mouth are gracious; but the lips of a fool will swallow up himself.

Colossians 4:6 - Let your speech be alway with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.



She is wise

The godly woman is wise. She prays about every decision, big or small, because she desires to be wise. She seeks to have understanding, make good judgments, and be blessed of God concerning the choices that she makes. She studies God's Word. She ultimately desires His knowledge and wisdom in all things.

Psalm 51:6 - Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom.

Proverbs 9:10 - *The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding.*

James 3:17 - But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.



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