

Proverbs 31: 10-18, 25-31

The Wife of Noble Character

**“A wife of noble character who can find?
She is worth far more than rubies.**

**Her husband has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of
value.**

**She brings him good, not harm, all the days of her life.
She selects wool and flax and works with eager hands.
She is like the merchant ships, bringing her food from afar.
She gets up while it is still dark; she provides food for her
family**

and portions for her servant girls.

**She considers a field and buys it;
out of her earnings she plants a vineyard.**

**She sets about her work vigorously, her arms strong for her
tasks.**

**She sees that her trading is profitable, and her lamp does not
go out at night.**

**She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the
days to come.**

**She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her
tongue.**

**She watches over the affairs of her household and does not
eat the bread of idleness.**

**Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also,
and he praises her:**

**'Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all.'
Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who
fears the LORD is to be praised.**

**Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works
bring her praise at the city gate."**

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