Many have said that the proverbs 31 woman does not exist, but I beg to differ...

I believe that she lives inside every woman, waiting to be revealed.

God has given us the book of Proverbs more as a book of principles rather than promises.

It does contain many promises, but in order for them to become a reality in ones life, they must choose to apply the principles.

I.e. Proverbs 22:6 – There is little hope of a child going the correct way (God’s way) if we (parents) aren’t living His way themselves.

Does God promise anywhere in His Word that every follower of Christ will automatically receive a Proverbs 31 wife/mother?

So how can one become such a highly sought out and valued treasure?

1. Devoting herself to God. V30

People take notice when she gives herself totally to Christ and lives with a deep and sincere love, reverence & respect for the Almighty, her Creator.

She may or may not be much to look at on the outside, but the beauty of her character & integrity shines like the noonday sun.

Colossians 3:23

Because the Proverbs 31 woman loves the Lord, everything she says and does is as though she were doing it to/for the Lord Jesus Christ Himself.

Even though her husband may sometimes act more like Al Bundy or her children like Bevis & …

The Proverbs 31 woman doesn’t allow circumstances or others to change who she is or why she does what she does.

This is the most important trait that I find in this most powerful woman. It is the fountain from which every person stands up and takes notice…

Which is the light that God wants to shine into the darkness around her.

I believe that many ladies in the past, have tried to imitate her actions and have fallen short, because they haven’t imitated her deep love, devotion, respect & reverence to Christ (fear of the Lord).

1. Devoting herself to others.

V11-12

V13-14,19,22, 24 - Clothing & feeding her family.

V15 - Has breakfast ready for her family.

She manages the affairs of her home well.

V16-18 – She is not only a shrewd business person, but a hard worker.

V17 – She takes care of herself physically does not eat the bread of idleness…

V20 – She helps people outside of her home and give to those in need.

1. God’s best blessings for her life

V21 – Her devotion has caused her to be ready for the harshness of the winter.

V23 – Her husband is well known and respected. Why? Because he has such an amazing wife!

V25 – How can she laugh without fear of the future? Because she is strong in her devotion to God in the present…

She is devoted to YEHWAH… Eternal God… the ever existent One.

Like Mary Sebright, who told her daughter yesterday, that she had no fear of dying…

V26 – People long to hear her… her words have tremendous value. Why? Because she offers instruction from the one she loves above all.

As a result…

V28 – She is highly respected by her children and her spouse.

V29 – She stands “head and shoulders” above all other women.

V30 – She receives high praise, not just here, but when she goes home to be with her Lord.

What principle does God give us for such women?

How should we respond to them?

V31 – Reward her for all that she has done.

Let her deeds publicly declare her praise…

Her actions speak for herself…

That she is blessed…

She is a child of God…

Who would like to honor their Mother this morning and share something about her that has positively impacted your life?