Proverb 31

A wife of noble character who can find?

She is worth far more than rubies.

- ¹¹ Her husband has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of value.
- 12 She brings him good, not harm, all the days of her life.
- 13 She selects wool and flax and works with eager hands.
- ¹⁴ She is like the merchant ships, bringing her food from afar.
- ¹⁵ She gets up while it is still night; she provides food for her family and portions for her female servants.
- ¹⁶ She considers a field and buys it; out of her earnings she plants a vineyard.
- ¹⁷ She sets about her work vigorously; her arms are strong for her tasks.
- ¹⁸ She sees that her trading is profitable, and her lamp does not go out at night.
- ¹⁹ In her hand she holds the distaff (Tool used for spinning) and grasps the spindle with her fingers.
- ²⁰ She opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy.
- ²¹ When it snows, she has no fear for her household; for all of them are clothed in scarlet.
- ²² She makes coverings for her bed; she is clothed in fine linen and purple.
- ²³ Her husband is respected at the city gate, where he takes his seat among the elders of the land.
- ²⁴ She makes linen garments and sells them, and supplies the merchants with sashes.
- ²⁵ She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come.
- ²⁶ She speaks with wisdom,

and faithful instruction is on her tongue.

- ²⁷ She watches over the affairs of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness.
- ²⁸ Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her:
- ²⁹ "Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all."
- ³⁰ Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.
- ³¹ Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.

Incredible Moms (Proverbs 31)

Let's look at the incredible worth of a woman and how Jesus sees His Bride as a biblical model for viewing women. The verse in Proverbs 31:10-11: "Who can find a virtuous wife? For her worth is far above rubies.

Now let's look at some Incredible Moms of the Bible

EVE

The Original Mother — more specifically, of Cain, Abel, and Seth (and several unnamed others)

SARAH

Mother of Isaac

This is the mom who gives hope to everyone who waited a little late to get started on the Mommy path.

REBEKAH

Mother of Jacob and Esau

For every mom who has ever had the temptation to play favorites with her children, pay attention to Rebekah.

BATHSHEBA Mother of Solomon

Bathsheba was well-named as it was her "bath-ing" that attracted the attention of King David.

JOCHEBED

Mother of Aaron, Moses, and Miriam

Here is a story of not just Moses's Mom, but Midwives who, in their act of civil disobedience, allowed Moses to be born.

MARY Mother of Jesus

She was the sure thing.

Dad's how should we treat Mom?

MEN ARE TO THINK OF THEIR WIVES AS THE LORD THINKS OF HIS BRIDE.

REGARD NO ONE ACCORDING TO THE FLESH - 2 Corinthians 5:16: "Therefore, from now on, we regard no-one according to the flesh. Even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him thus no longer."

Dad's you have a stewardship to partner with Him to bring forth His wife in her virtue, worth, and honor.

CHERISH, MOM DON'T ACCUSE

Cherishing the heart of the God's people is the primary way to bring forth character.

A SPIRIT OF GRACE INSTEAD OF A SPIRIT OF ACCUSATION

The Bible is filled with God speaking negative things, but He speaks them in a spirit of grace. He offers hope. He offers kindness. He offers a way forward.

HONORING MOM'S

Giving honor to our Mom: Honoring people does not come naturally to us, whether it is to our wife, or our children, or to our friends, it is not natural because we are all prone as men and women to be self- absorbed to be self-focused.

WHO IS THIS PROVERBS 31 WOMAN?

... It says in Proverbs 31:25, "that strength and honor are her clothing. She shall rejoice in a time to come. Her children shall rise up and call her blessed and her husband praises her."

Strength and honor are her clothing.

Proverbs 31:10: "Who can find a virtuous wife? For her worth is far above rubies." So where is she? Does such a woman exist? The answer is yes!

Here is **the key to Proverbs 31**: With the 25 character traits listed here. The Proverbs 31 woman/mom is fully operating in all these different activities; however they do not operate in a month or a year, but over a fifty-year period.

So Let's be Grateful for Mom's.

- 1. If it weren't for your mom, you wouldn't be breathing right now. If nothing else, you should thank her for that.
- 2. Mothers are the emotional backbones of the family. They provide the holding place for everyone's feelings and do their best to keep us from being hurt.

- 3. Who would kiss your ouch's to make it all better if she weren't around? Mothers have the magic touch (and kiss) to help us heal our wounds, physical and emotional.
- 4. Truly, our mothers worked hard and made sacrifices, so our lives would be better. There are not a lot of people willing to do that, so let her know you appreciate it.
- 5. Mothers are forgiving so forgive her in return. Perhaps nothing will be as valuable a gift to both of you as forgiveness. Open your heart and drop your resentments. Now that's love.
- 6. When you want to climb the tallest mountain, your mother will fix you a good plate before you go and give you some food to take with you. She is the one who will support your dreams when no one else will.
- 7. Whether you believe it or not, her boundaries made you a better person. You may not have liked some of her decisions, especially when you wanted to party with your friends, but she did try her best to keep you out of trouble. Look at some of your friends without a mom who cared that much. Where are they now? What are they doing?
- 8. A mother's ears and eyes hear and see everything. They also have a computer-like memory for all the good (and some of the bad) that came your way. It's nice to have someone with whom you can reminisce about your whole life.
- 9. Mom taught you to be a functioning adult. That was her job, and without that, making it through the modern world would be very hard. Your mom may have forced you to do your homework, but now you see how important it was.
- 10. A mother's smile, when it is directed toward you, makes your day a whole lot better. All she needs is to know that she has helped you to be and feel your best.

Say thank you.