



**Sermon Title: "The Blessing of Godly Women"**

**Scripture: Proverbs 31:10-31**

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**Introduction:** In a world that is chasing image, status, and immediate gratification, the virtuous woman is rare, and her value is priceless. (*Ruth 3:11; Proverbs 14:14; 3:15*)

### **The value of the godly woman...**

... is experienced by liberally by those within her sphere of **influence**. (v. 20, 26, 31)

...is observed in her greatest work, her **worship** of God. (v. 30)

### **The portrait of the godly woman displays themes of...**

- **Faithfulness** (v. 11-12; 1 Timothy 5:10)
- **Industry** (v. 13-19; 1 Timothy 2:9-10)
- **Compassion** (v. 20; Psalm 41:1; Proverbs 19:17)
- **Prudence** (v. 21-22, 25)
- **Influence** (v. 26; Proverbs 10:20-21; 12:18; 15:7; 16:24)

**The blessing of the godly woman is **evident** to all who know her well. (v. 28-29)**

**The primary call of Proverbs 31 is not to DO, but to BE & BECOME a woman who **fears the Lord**, and this informs all she is and does. (v. 30-31)**

*Scripture: Genesis 24:16; 1 Peter 3:4-5; Proverbs 1:7; 9:10; Psalm 111:10; 147:11; Eccl. 13:13*

### **Questions to consider:**

1. Why is the godly woman considered rare or exceptional?
2. How might Proverbs 31 be discouraging to a woman? What truths are helpful to understand Proverbs 31 as a beautiful blessing and opportunity?
3. In what ways are beauty and charm so effectively deceptive and even dangerous? How ought we think properly about physical attractiveness and charm?
4. What is the fear of the Lord and how does it lead to virtuous living?
5. How can one grow in the knowledge and fear of the Lord?
6. What lessons of Proverbs 31 are especially valuable for both women and men?