

# **An Excellent Wife- Proverbs 3:10-31**

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## I. Introduction.

- A. Text: Proverbs 31.
- B. The view of the wife has changed in our society.
- C. One of the things that young men need to know is how to select the right woman. (Proverbs 12:4, 19:14)
- D. All the instruction of Proverbs climaxes at Proverbs 31.

II. A woman is not to be involved in sexual misconduct.

III. An ideal woman is a woman of substance who makes an impact on society.

IV. It is also hard to find a good husband. (Proverbs 20:6)

V. A man seeks a wife for all the wrong reasons.

VI. The character of a good wife...

A. Is trustworthy regarding substantial resources.

1. She is a steward. (I Timothy 3, Titus 1)
2. Has a devotion that does not fade and is always submissive in the most gracious way. (Titus 2:4)
3. Her underlying virtue is selflessness.

B. Is a homemaker.

1. She works with her hands in delight.
2. She is selfless.
3. She is the manager of the household. (Exodus 5:14)
4. She is a wise woman.
5. She is a strong woman.
6. She is motivated by benefiting others.
7. She is a planner. (II Samuel 23)

8. She is adorned in graceful simplicity. (I Peter 3)

C. Is one who is generous towards her neighbors.

D. Is a teacher of wisdom in the family.

E. Is effective as a mother.

1. A woman's reward is an investment in her children.

2. A woman's reward is an investment in her husband.

3. Beauty is deceitful and vain.

**Application questions:**

1. Why are the qualifications for a godly wife so controversial?

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2. Which characteristic of a godly wife do you find most important?

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3. How would you counsel a person pursuing a woman for marriage for the wrong reasons? Explain.

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