

A Wise Woman...

...fears God

Is loving, joyful, peaceful, patient, kind, good, faithful, gentle, and self-controlled.

Proverbs 31:10, 30-31.

...puts her husband first

Focuses on doing and saying what is best for others. Speaks respectfully of and to her husband, therefore her children praise her.

Proverbs 31:11-12 & 28-29

...works hard

Pours energy into creating a home atmosphere that her family enjoys. Gets up early and takes responsibility for everyone being fed and clothed.

Proverbs 31:13-19 & 27

...is generous & kind

Sees needs and meets them. Models and teaches kindness to her children.

Proverbs 31:20 & 26

...prepares optimistically

Busy preparing for whatever the future will bring, with a smile on her face.

Proverbs 31:21 & 25

...creatively helps out

Figures out ways to help without being consumed by the use of her ability and without relying on credit.

Proverbs 31:22 & 24

A Foolish Woman...

...fears others

Is self-oriented, feeling-driven, manipulative, deceptively nice, focused on what people think of her, and controlled by moods and desires.

Galatians 1:10

...puts herself first

Focuses on how others treat her, easily upset because of hurt feelings. Not loyal to her husband so her children don't know if they can trust her.

Philippians 2:3-4

...relaxes lazily

Keeps house based on how she's most comfortable – maybe too messy or maybe too neat. Puts her schedule first.

1 Timothy 4:10

...shops & competes

Gets whatever she wants. Models and teaches her children to live competitively.

Luke 9:23

...is fearful & worried

Characterized by a general feeling of anxiety and worry. Rarely smiles.

Philippians 4:4-7

...overspends & complains

Gets in trouble with credit, or becomes so obsessed with how she makes money that it's more of a problem than a help to her husband.

Ephesians 4:28

A wise woman glorifies God because her way of life gives her husband a good reputation. Proverbs 31:23