

## *A Wise Woman...*

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### **...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...*

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### **...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*