

The Family, Part 3:
“Modeled by Godly Women”
Proverbs 31:10-31

I. A godly woman is a woman of God.

- A. She wholeheartedly loves Jesus Christ.
- B. She finds her identity in her relationship with Jesus Christ.

(1 Timothy 2:9-10)

II. A godly woman is a role model.

- A. She lives her life purposely striving to please God.
- B. Her life is an example for others to observe and imitate.

(Romans 12:1-2; 2 Timothy 1:5, 2:14-15; Titus 2:1-5)

III. A godly woman embraces her identity.

She possesses humility.

She is grounded in truth.

She is a person of faith.

She is characterized by love.

She exhibits purity.

She is a woman of self-control.

(1 Timothy 2:11-15)

Scripture References and Notes

1 Timothy 2:9-10

⁹ ...in like manner also, that the women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with propriety and moderation, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or costly clothing, ¹⁰ but, which is proper for women professing godliness, with good works.

godliness [θεοσεβεια (theosebeia)]

- reverence for God, fear of God, godliness, piety.
- properly, God-fearing (veneration); godly respect, reverence (used only in 1 Tim 2:10).

virtuous (χρη [chayil])

- strength, efficiency, wealth, army

Titus 2:1-5

¹ But as for you, speak the things which are proper for sound doctrine:

² that the older men be sober, reverent, temperate, sound in faith, in love, in patience; ³ the older women likewise, that they be reverent in behavior, not slanderers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things—
⁴ that they admonish the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, ⁵ to be discreet, chaste, homemakers, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be blasphemed.

Romans 12:1-2

¹ I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is* your reasonable service. ² And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

1 Timothy 2:11-15

¹¹ A woman must quietly receive instruction with entire submissiveness. ¹² But I do not allow a woman to teach or exercise authority over a man, but to remain quiet. ¹³ For it was Adam who was first created, *and* then Eve. ¹⁴ And *it was* not Adam *who* was deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into transgression. ¹⁵ But *women* will be preserved through the bearing of children if they continue in faith and love and sanctity with self-restraint.

“Paul teaches here that although a woman precipitated the Fall and women bear that responsibility, yet they may be preserved from that stigma through childbearing. The rescue, the delivery, the freeing of women from the stigma of having led the race into sin happens when they bring up a righteous seed. What a perfect counter! Women are far from being second-class citizens because they have the primary responsibility of rearing godly children. Mothers spend far more time with their children than do their fathers, and thus have the greater influence. Fathers cannot know the intimate relationship with their children that their mother establishes from pregnancy, birth, infancy, and early childhood. Paul’s point is that while a woman may have led the race into sin, women have the privilege of leading the race out of sin to godliness.”

– John MacArthur, *1 Timothy*, 89.

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