

Honor Good Mothers and Women of God

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1. A Biblical example of a Good Mother who was a virtuous, precious, and wise, Woman of God pursued godly advice from Elisha, the Prophet to save her children.
 - a. 2 Kings 4:1-7 (GNT) ¹ The widow of a member of a group of prophets went to Elisha and said, "Sir, my husband has died! As you know, he was a God-fearing man, but now a man he owed money to has come to take away my two sons as slaves in payment for my husband's debt." ² "What shall I do for you?" he asked. "Tell me, what do you have at home?" "Nothing at all, except a small jar of olive oil," she answered. ³ "Go to your neighbors and borrow as many empty jars as you can," Elisha told her. ⁴ "Then you and your sons go into the house, close the door, and start pouring oil into the jars. Set each one aside as soon as it is full." ⁵ So the woman went into her house with her sons, closed the door, took the small jar of olive oil, and poured oil into the jars as her sons brought them to her. ⁶ When they had filled all the jars, she asked if there were any more. "That was the last one," one of her sons answered. And the olive oil stopped flowing. ⁷ She went back to Elisha, the prophet, who said to her, "Sell the olive oil and pay all your debts, and there will be enough money left over for you and your sons to live on."
2. Prov 11:16 (AMPC) A gracious and good woman wins honor.
 - a. King James Bible Dictionary = Gracious means "Favorable and kind."
 - b. KJ Bible Dictionary = Good means "Conformable to the moral law (of God)."
3. 1 Peter 3:7 (AMPC) In the same way you married men should live considerately with [your wives], with an intelligent recognition [of the marriage relation], honoring the woman as [physically] the weaker, but [realizing that you] are joint heirs of the grace (God's unmerited favor) of life, in order that your prayers may not be hindered and cut off. [Otherwise, you cannot pray effectively.]
4. Prov 18:22 (NKJV) He who finds a wife finds a good thing, and obtains favor from the Lord.

B. God Honors a Good Virtuous Mother and Woman of God.

1. Prov 31:10a (GNT) She is a capable, intelligent, and virtuous woman.
 - a. Merriam-Webster Dictionary: Virtuous = "Moral excellence, strength, courage."
2. Prov 31:21 She doesn't worry. (GNT)
3. Prov 31:25 She is strong and respected and not afraid of the future. (GNT)
4. Prov 31:30 Charm is deceptive and beauty disappears, but a woman who honors the Lord should be praised. (GNT)

C. God Honors a Good Precious Mother and Woman of God.

1. Prov 31:10b (AMPC) She is far more precious than jewels and her value is far above rubies or pearls.
 - a. KJ Bible Dictionary = Precious means “Of great value or worth.”
2. 1 Peter 3:3-6 (ESV & GNT) ³ Do not let your adorning be external—the braiding of hair and the putting on of gold jewelry, or the clothing you wear— ⁴ but let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God's sight is very precious. ⁵ For this is how the holy women who hoped in God used to adorn themselves, by submitting to their own husbands, ⁶ as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord (leader). And you are her children, if you do good and do not fear anything that is frightening.

D. God Honors a Good Wise Mother and Woman of God.

1. Prov 31:26 She opens her mouth with godly wisdom, And on her tongue is the law of kindness. (AMPC & NKJV)
 - a. KJ Bible Dictionary = Wise means “Properly, having knowledge; hence, having the power of discerning and judging correctly, or of discriminating between what is true and what is false.”
2. Prov 31:27 She watches over the ways of her household; and looks after her family's needs. (NKJV & GNT)
3. Prov 31:28 Her children rise up and call her blessed (show their appreciation). (NKJV & GNT)
4. Prov 31:31 Give her of the fruit of her hands (give her credit for all she does), and let her own works praise her [she deserves the respect of everyone] in the gates [of the city]. (NKJV, GNT & AMPC)
5. 2 Kings 4:2 She finds what she has in her home that can bring blessings and provision.
6. Luke 1:45 (AMPC) Blessed (happy) is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of the things that were spoken to her from the Lord.

E. Let us honor Good Mothers and Women of God who are virtuous, precious, and wise. They have been such cherished blessings in our lives; and we thank God for all they have sacrificed and done because of their godly love for us!