

INTRODUCTION.

- A. Scripture text: [Proverbs 31:23-31](#).
- B. This is the sixth in a series of 7 lessons on God's Woman of Valor.
- C. The final lesson yet (the most important?): God's Woman of Valor--The Xian Mentor.
- D. Tonight, **God's Woman of Valor: Her Reward and Her Religion.**

I. BRIEF REVIEW OF THIS MORNING'S LESSON.

A. HER SPHERE.

1. *In Marriage.*

The great role models needs not be queens and prophetesses. Look at the lives of Sarah, Naomi, Hannah, and Eunice.

2. *In the -work of the home.*

Rising early and working late have their rewards if the labor is spent on how to serve others.

3. *With the domestic responsibilities.*

A woman of valor will give her husband great confidence. He life is one of knowing her place and her God-given responsibilities.

B. HER CHARACTER.

1. *Trustworthiness.*

Her work is such that her husband is pleased and blessed to call her "mine."

2. *Industrious.*

The virtue of hard work and a job well done is a virtue worth pursuing.

3. *Thrifty.*

They know a bargain when they see it, and use their purchase to help others.

4. *Strong.*

Both physically and mentally. She takes care of herself through diet and exercise; she is mentally strong, with an attitude of optimism and grace.

5. *Loving and Benevolent.*

She is not driven by selfish greed to enlarge her revenues.

6. *Gracious in Speech.*

"On her tongue is the law of kindness." This is a powerful statement for good to those women who practice it.

II. HER REWARD.

A. HER GREAT INFLUENCE (Prov. 31:23).

[Her husband is known in the gates, When he sits among the elders of the land.](#)

1. The woman of valor is crown to her husband. He is proud to "show her off" to those in his social circle. As his lovely queen she supports him in all things.

2. Such a woman advances her husband's interests, increases his influence, and by attending to his domestic concerns enables him to take his share in the public matters.

B. THE SUCCESS OF HER ENERGIES (Prov. 31:24).

[She makes linen garments and sells them, And supplies belts to the tradesmen.](#)

1. The woman of valor needs very little in outside praise. Being able to work with her hands, make items of use, and then sell them to those in need is reward enough. She knows the needs of those around her and knows what she can do to help met those needs.

2. It need not be an expensive item but one that is needed to make life a little better, a little easier. Women of valor always have their eyes open to these "little things" and are able to make a difference by the service they render.

C. THE HONOR OF HER FAMILY (Prov. 31:28-29).

(Prov 31:28) Her children rise up and bless her; Her husband also, and he praises her, saying:

(Prov 31:29) "Many daughters have done nobly, But you excel them all."

1. The greatest compliment that a woman can have is that which comes from her own household. When her children tell the world of the great mother they have, that mother will know and feel her reward.
2. When her husband compliments her far above all the others, she knows she is special. A woman wants her feelings validated. Tell her that her labor is not in vain and she will be glad, content, and ready to continue on.

D. A CONTINUED INFLUENCE (Prov. 31:31).

Give her the product of her hands, And let her works praise her in the gates.

1. The woman of valor is probably too busy with her domestic duties to take her place in public life, yet indirectly she is a great force in the world through her influence over her husband and children.
2. This woman is a person of tremendous influence--not of squalor or domestic poverty. When the children are gone from home and encounter choices that mom wouldn't approve of, her influence for good will help them make good choices and stay out of trouble.

III. **HER RELIGION.**

A. A LIFE OF REVERENCE AND SERVICE (Prov. 31:30).

Charm is deceitful and beauty is vain, But a woman who fears the LORD, she shall be praised.

1. Two things in this verse; the vanity of beauty, and of the grace of true religion.
2. *The vanity of beauty.* The woman of valor knows that physical beauty is temporary, superficial, and deceptive. It will not bring the rewards, comfort, and stability that it promises.
3. *The grace of true religion.* God's woman also knows that true religion brings the things in life that she really wants; enduring stability, deep conviction and promises, satisfying experiences the hope of eternal life.

CONCLUSION AND INVITATION.

- A. God needs faithful women to do His will.
- B. God blesses those who do His will. Be a woman of valor in reward and religion.
- C. Next lesson: God's Woman of Valor--The Xian Mentor.
- D. To become a woman of valor, one must obey X.
- E. Plan of salvation for non-Xians; erring Xians.