

String of Pearls

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Who Can Find a Virtuous Woman?

There are fewer and fewer examples of godly women before our faces these days. Women are no longer portrayed as soft, genteel or caring but hard, shrewd and even manlike. With all of these really poor examples what are we as believing women to do? What we've done throughout the centuries, turn to God and His example of the godly woman.



What will you be?

When you are on your hunt for an example of a virtuous or godly woman you can safely begin at Proverbs 31:10. It's rather ironic that the man who shared the instructive words of his mother so long ago couldn't himself find a virtuous woman. King Solomon had so many wives and concubines he made today's playboy look like an amateur. In the end, his appetite for women led him away from the very God he had loved and served with such passion.

Today let us focus on verse 10 of this famous Proverb:

*"Prov 31:10 Who can find a **virtuous** woman? for her price is far above rubies."*

The word "virtuous" here speaks of strength and valor. It also speaks of virtue and worthiness. I doubt this sort of strength comes from working out or taking steroids, but from sheer dependence on God. It takes a strong woman to stand in the face of the pressures put on her by the world and sophisticated females the planet over. When God gives a woman directives to submit to her husband, all the forces of hell and the soulish pressures of society tell her to rebel.

Men today are just as subject to the deceptions fed them by the media and society. They are told that a good wife is a beauty weighing so much, wearing designer clothing, able to stand next to him in the workplace and make an equivalent amount of money as well as raise a houseful of children. The news media belies the underlying trickery however. Just consider the outcome of so many of the children of this type of couple. The children are left to raise them-

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NOW is the word.

Special points of interest:

- ? Good fats: nuts, olive oil, fish rich in Omega 3 oil, avocados (in moderation)
- ? Fat should be kept as the absolute smallest portion of nutrients in your body.
- ? Natural is ALWAYS better than artificial or chemically altered.
- ? Too much of anything is not good for our bodies.
- ? Just because something tastes good doesn't make it good for you.

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**May you eat of
the tree of life
from now on.**



*Only through the
blood that was shed on
the cross can you enter
into God's presence.*



**The fruit of walking led
of the Holy Spirit can
be found in
Galatians 5:22**

selves, even feed themselves and become as self centered as the parents that seek the temporary pleasures that this lifestyle brings. Life is surely more than the accumulation of goods and finding pleasure for oneself.

So what good is it to see problems without answers? Very little. The answer is always the same; submit to God, resist the adversary and he will flee. James 4:7

God has given us a pattern to consider, meditate and begin to implement. It can only be done through the power of the Holy Spirit whose job it is to confirm the Word of God with the appropriate signs following. Mark 16:22.

If you are NOT filled with the Holy Spirit. If you do NOT have the infilling of the burden removing, yoke destroying POWER of the Holy Spirit you need it NOW. If you have not received the finished work of Yeshua/Jesus. If you have never heard about this Lord and Savior of mankind, you need to contact us NOW. Salvation is a matter of believing that God sent His son to destroy the evil works of the adversary. He did so by living a sinless life, a life completely led by the Precious Holy Spirit. He then voluntarily took the wages of every sin throughout history on himself. He was actually made sin, never having sinned himself. He suffered the torments of crucifixion and the subsequent torment of his soul in the belly of the earth; Satan's domain. After three prescribed days he was raised from the dead by the Creator; his Father. He now sits at the right hand of God Almighty as judge and intercessor of/for all mankind. He can be your Lord, but you must give yourself completely over to him.

Here is a sample prayer that you can pattern yours after:

Almighty God, I come to you in the name of your Son, Yeshua/Jesus. I accept his suffering for my sin. I acknowledge I have sin in my life and I can do nothing for myself to be good. My best efforts will never measure up to your Son. I receive him as my Lord and my Savior. I give myself completely to him. I no longer will attempt to work to be good or to achieve any goal for myself. Fill my with Your Precious Holy Spirit. Help me walk a pure and holy life. Provide instruction for me as I seek to do Your will. Help me find an apostle to raise me up in this new life. Thank you for adopting me into your Holy Family. Thank you for cleansing me from ALL unrighteousness. I am now stand in rightstanding with you. If I sin I will confess it and you will keep me righteous. Thank you Father.

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If you prayed a prayer like this, please take the time to email me and let me know. I will help you with a free bible and we can continue to have an ongoing relationship where you are edified and instructed.

Welcome to the eternal Family of God and His Son, Yeshua/Jesus the Anointed One.

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Rubies?

Have you ever asked yourself why Solomon's mother chose rubies when she likened the value of a virtuous woman? She didn't or at the very least we aren't sure. If you go to the Hebrew the word used is "paw-noon" and more likely means pearl. There are so many reasons she might have used pearl, and why the translators used the word rubies is a mystery to us today.

*A pearl is a natural gem created by a living organism. When a foreign object is introduced into a mussel or oyster the animal coats the irritant with a substance called **nacre**, the same material with which it builds its shell. Over time, the layers of nacre build up to form the pearl. The longer the irritant remains in the mollusc, the more layers of nacre and (usually), the better the pearl. (Copied from <http://www.thepearlmarket.com/pearlformed.htm>).*

Nacre is also called "mother of pearl" and if you allow yourself you can see many qualities that we share with this lustrous excretion that becomes a protecting shell!

With just a little meditation I can see all sorts of amazing pictures in my life where an irritant became a beautiful thing after the "pearl making" process was finished. In the beginning the irritant didn't make me look or feel better, but in the end I was strengthened and made wiser.

Pearls come in so many shapes and colors it is impossible to count them all. Even pearls of relative similar size can be totally different in color. Each woman is a distinct pearl in the presence of God!

What about the fact that pearls are likened to wisdom? The Lord instructed us not to cast our pearls before swine. We weren't supposed to throw our wisdom out to ungodly or unholy people. If we did, the promise of being trampled would most assuredly follow.

The word "paw-noon" is used only six times in the old Testament. Six is the number of man. Six speaks of the days of labor. We could spend so much time here. Selah.



You can be a fruitful woman if you will allow God to lead.



The world's largest pearl was 10 inches long, weighed 14 lbs. and valued at \$40,000,000.



There is no family like the family of God, it is an eternal living thing.



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Fully Aware

God is fully aware of where you are. I know that there are times my mind is bombarded with thoughts of isolation and abandonment, but with any “vain imagination” I must resist it and cast it to the earth. We must remember that we have an adversary who is constantly working to get us to believe that God is either a myth or fable OR that we aren’t worth the time it would take God to look our way.

OK, when we’re in our “right minds” we laugh at the idea that God doesn’t exist. When all is well our faith is strong and we have full hope in the promises. It’s a matter of holding onto the things we have. Paul admonished us that if we didn’t they would leak out like a pitcher with a crack in it.

The Anointing of God (via the Holy Spirit) can leak out of us. We must have new wine from intimacy with the Holy Spirit on a daily and consistent basis if we are to maintain a strong walk. We have an enemy and he is also fully aware he has but a short time to exalt his throne above the throne of God. So.... We must keep the lines of communication with God open 24/7. If you aren’t baptized in the Holy Spirit you’re trying to drive in a car without gas. You need the same power that lived in Yeshua/Jesus. When it was time for him to step out and walk the call on his life he submitted to all righteousness. For us today it is no different. If you find yourself yo yo-ing in your walk and powerless to overcome habits and attacks it’s because you lack this one vital thing. Find someone who is Spirit-filled in your neighborhood and ask them how. NOW! God is fully aware of where you are, but are you?

The Fat Belongs to the Lord

Last October I had surgery to have my gallbladder out. I had abused my body for 48+ years and was paying the wages of that sin. We’re told that we can not receive from God if we ask amiss to consume the answer on our lusts. My lust? My lust was fat in its various forms. I am still overcoming my love of the stuff, but it’s getting easier. Today I pay closer attention to what I’m eating. Fewer grams of fat means fewer calories and fewer episodes where I live in the bathroom. Contrary to common misconceptions we do need our gallbladders. No one told me I’d fight diarrhea if I ate too much fat after having my gallbladder out. I realize this is a yucky subject, but we as Christian women need to drop the stupid silence of the Victorian era and be honest with each other and ourselves. Fat tastes good, but is BAD for your body in over abundance.

Fat disguises itself in dairy foods, fried foods, cheaper cuts of meat, and expensive cuts of meat. We think we’re “saving money” by buying processed foods and cheap meats, but let me tell you I’m paying a very large medical bill because of my ignorance and the ignorance of my family tree.

Good fats: nuts, olive oil, and fish oil from fish rich with Omega 3s. Proverbs tells us that if we are given to appetite to put a knife to our throats. That means tell your flesh, “SHUT UP”. You can do it with the power of the Holy Spirit, and I exhort you to do it NOW!



**Let's all eat from the tree
of life and merely tend the
tree of knowledge of good
and evil!**