

# The Influence of a Godly Women

**Proverbs 31:30-31 (NLT)** *Charm is deceptive, and beauty does not last; but a woman who fears the LORD will be greatly praised. Reward her for all she has done. Let her deeds publicly declare her praise.*

## I. Godly Women of the Bible.

**The Gentile Women: Matthew 15:26-27 (NLT)** *Jesus responded, "It isn't right to take food from the children and throw it to the dogs." She replied, "That's true, Lord, but even dogs are allowed to eat the scraps that fall beneath their masters' table."*

**1 Kings 17:8-9 (NLT)** *Then the LORD said to Elijah, "Go and live in the village of Zarephath, near the city of Sidon. I have instructed a widow there to feed you."*

**You never know who you are raising up!**

**2 Kings 4:11-13 (NLT)** *One day Elisha returned to Shunem, and he went up to this upper room to rest. He said to his servant Gehazi, "Tell the **woman from Shunem** I want to speak to her." When she appeared, Elisha said to Gehazi, "Tell her, 'We appreciate the kind concern you have shown us. What can we do for you? Can we put in a good word for you to the king or to the commander of the army?'"*

Jochebed, Hanna...

## II. Influence

**1 Samuel 25:23-25 (NLT)** *When Abigail saw David, she quickly got off her donkey and bowed low before him. She fell at his feet and said, "I accept all blame in this matter, my lord. Please listen to what I have to say. I know Nabal is a wicked and ill-tempered man; please don't pay any attention to him. He is a fool, just as his name suggests. But I never even saw the young men you sent."*

**1 Samuel 25:32-33 (NLT)** *David replied to Abigail, "Praise the LORD, the God of Israel, who has sent you to meet me today! Thank God for your good sense! Bless you for keeping me from murder and from carrying out vengeance with my own hands."*

**1 Peter 3:1-2 (NLT)** *In the same way, you wives must accept the authority of your husbands. Then, even if some refuse to obey the Good News, your godly lives will speak to them without any words. They will be won over by observing your pure and reverent lives.*

**I refuse to believe that culture has a greater influence than a godly Mother!**

**2 Timothy 1:5-7 (NLT)** *I remember your genuine faith, for you share the faith that first filled your grandmother Lois and your mother, Eunice. And I know that same faith continues strong in you. This is why I remind you to fan into flames the spiritual gift God gave you when I laid my hands on you. For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline.*

## III. What are we teaching our younger women?

**Proverbs 1:8-9 (NLT)** *My child, listen when your father corrects you. Don't neglect your mother's instruction. What you learn from them will crown you with grace and be a chain of honor around your neck.*

**John 2:4-5 (NLT)** *"Dear woman, that's not our problem," Jesus replied. "My time has not yet come." But his mother told the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."*

**Do you want your children to love and respect you or love and tolerate you?**

**Luke 2:51-52 (NLT)** *Then he returned to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. And his mother stored all these things in her heart. Jesus grew in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and all the people.*

**John 19:26-27 (NLT)** *When Jesus saw his mother standing there beside the disciple he loved, he said to her, "Dear woman, here is your son." And he said to this disciple, "Here is your mother." And from then on this disciple took her into his home.*

**1 Samuel 2:12-13 (NLT)** *Now the sons of Eli were scoundrels who **had no respect for the LORD** or for their duties as priests.*

**1 Samuel 2:29 (NLT)** So why do you scorn My sacrifices and offerings? Why do you give your sons more honor than you give Me—for you and they have become fat from the best offerings of My people Israel!

**Proverbs 31:25-28 (NLT)** She is clothed with strength and dignity, and she laughs without fear of the future. When she speaks, her words are wise, and she gives instructions with kindness. She carefully watches everything in her household and suffers nothing from laziness. Her children stand and bless her. Her husband praises her:

**Titus 2:3-5 (AMP)** Bid the older women similarly to be reverent and devout in their deportment as becomes those engaged in sacred service, not slanderers or slaves to drink. They are to give good counsel and be teachers of what is right and noble so that they will wisely train the young women to be sane and sober of mind (temperate, disciplined) and to love their husbands and their children, To be self-controlled, chaste, homemakers, good-natured (kindhearted), adapting and subordinating themselves to their husbands, that the word of God may not be exposed to reproach (blasphemed or discredited).

#### IV. The Blessings of Honoring God

**Ruth 1:16-17 (NLT)** But Ruth replied, “Don’t ask me to leave you and turn back. Wherever you go, I will go; wherever you live, I will live. Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God. Wherever you die, I will die, and there I will be buried.

She humbles herself and gleans in Boaz’s field. Boaz sees her and honors her for how she is treating Ruth. They get married, and King David and then the King of Kings....Jesus comes from their lineage!

**Proverbs 31:31 (NLT)** ...Reward her for all she has done. Let her deeds publicly declare her praise.

**Proverbs 18:22 (AMP)** He who finds a [true] wife finds a good thing and obtains favor from the Lord.