

"The Ripple Effect of Godly Women"

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The world tends to celebrate the wrong things.

- **Ephesians 5:25-26** (NLT)
- **John 17:17** (NLT)

Celebrating motherhood - Proverbs 31:10-31 (NLT)



God says a godly woman is more valuable than any worldly wealth.

- The world celebrates the wrong things, so people aspire to the wrong things.
- God celebrates motherhood.
- Godly women are rare and valuable.

Motherhood takes on different forms.

- She helps the needy and poor.
- She takes care of her servants (those who are not her own children).
- She can set Godly examples.
- **Titus 2:3-5** (NLT)

Godly mothers reveal God's unconditional love – they nurture.

- While men tend to teach us to work hard (*as do women*), women teach us our value is not attached to our accomplishments.

Godly women teach us faithfulness and humility.

- Not because they are less valuable but because they love more.
- By laying down their rights for the good of others.
- **1 Peter 3:1-5** (NLT)

Godly women have courage:

- To lay down their lives.
- To say no to the world's standards.
- To forgive.
- Godly women keep us safe.
- Godly women keep us whole.
- **Proverbs 31:25** (NLT)

Our role: to honor and celebrate women – because the ripple effect establishes our future.

- To see that they also are nurtured and poured into.

Questions to Consider:

1. Which Bible passage shows you God's heart this week?
2. How have you experienced God's heart to nurture?
3. Who has had a "ripple effect" in your life in this area?
4. In what ways can you reflect this part of God's heart in your circle of influence?
5. Think through the women God has placed in your life. How can you honor and celebrate them?