

*Charm is deceptive, ... Beauty does not last ...
A woman who fears the LORD will be greatly praised.
Reward her for all she has done.
Let her deeds publicly declare her praise.*

Sometimes a woman will try to charm or flirt her way into a man's heart to get what she wants from him. Other women may always try to make themselves look physically beautiful or sexy to get a man's attention. But the Bible says: *Charm is deceptive, ... Beauty does not last ...*

What kind of woman will be greatly praised and what kind of person do you want to be?

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Godly Character: Become A Virtuous And Capable Woman

*...She is worth more than
all the money in the world*

Prov. 31:10 (by JRK)

*kind
makes garments*

*clothed with
strength & dignity*

A hard worker

helps the poor

trustworthy

buys property

Watches for bargains

A Virtuous And Capable Woman

Who can find a **virtuous** and **capable** wife? She is worth more than ... (all the money in the world).

Her husband can trust her, ...

She will greatly enrich his life.

She will ... help him all her life.

She finds wool ... and busily spins it....

She brings her food from afar.

She gets up before dawn to prepare breakfast ...

(She) plan(s) the day's work for her servant girls.

She goes out to inspect a field and buys it; with her earnings

She plants a vineyard.

She is energetic and strong, a hard worker.

She watches for bargains;

Her lights burn late into the night.

Her hands are busy ...

She extends a helping hand to the poor and

(She) opens her arms to the needy.

She has no fear of winter ... all ... have warm clothes.

She quilts her own bedspreads.

She dresses like royalty in gowns of finest cloth.

Her husband is well known, for he sits ... with ... civic leaders.

She makes ...garments and sashes to sell to the merchants.

She is clothed with strength and dignity, ...

She laughs with no fear of the future.

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When this lady opens her mouth, what comes out? Give an example of what it means to speak kindly to someone else.

She carefully watches all that goes on in her household

Her children stand and bless her.

Her husband praises her: **There are many virtuous and capable women in the world, but you surpass them all!"**

In this family,

1. What does the wife do? 2. What do the children do? & 3. What does the husband do?

*She has **no fear** of winter ... all ... have warm clothes.*
*She **quilts** her own bedspreads.*
*She **dresses** like royalty in gowns of finest cloth.*
*Her husband is **well known**, for he sits ... with ... civic leaders.*

*She **makes** ...garments and sashes to sell to the merchants.*

*She is **clothed** with strength and dignity, ...*

*She **laughs** with no fear of the future.*

The passage says that this lady has no fear of the winter (the cold winter) and she has no fear of the future. Why is this woman not afraid of these things?

Describe some other things about this lady and her husband from the above passage.

*She **carefully watches** all that goes on in her household*
*Her children **stand** and bless her.*
*Her husband **praises** her: **There are many virtuous and capable women in the world, but you surpass them all!**"*

*Charm is **deceptive**, ... **Beauty does not last** ...*

*A woman who **fears the LORD** will be greatly praised.*

Reward her for all she has done.

*Let her deeds publicly declare her praise. **Prov 31:10-31***

The woman described in Proverbs 31 is both “virtuous” and she is also “capable”. Read the passage and list some of her “virtues” and list some of her “capabilities”.

VIRTUES: *Examples: She can be trusted. She is a hard worker. What are some more?*

CAPABILITIES: *Examples: She knows how to spin wool into thread or yarn. She knows how to plan her days work. What are some more?*

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Her husband can trust her; ...

She will greatly enrich his life.

She will ... help him all her life.

When a man finds and God gives a woman like the one mentioned in Proverbs 31 to a man as his wife, what are some of the good things that will happen to him because of his marriage to this lady?

She gets up before dawn to prepare breakfast ...

What does this lady do to help her family get off to a good start in the morning?

(She) plan(s) the day's work for her servant girls.

What does it mean to “plan the days work” and why is it important?

She goes out to inspect a field and buys it; with her earnings She plants a vineyard.

What does this lady do before she buys something, and why is this important?

Why does she *plant a vineyard* in the field that she has just bought and how does all of this help her family?

She extends a helping hand to the poor and (She) opens her arms to the needy.

What are some ways that we can *extend* a helping hand to the poor and *open* our arms to the needy?
