# Completed LISTENING GUIDES







#### Physical Beauty...

- 1) Is God-given. Ezekiel 16:4-13
- 2) Is attention-getting. Ezekiel 16:14
- 3) Is pride-inducing. Ezekiel 16:15
- 4) Is spiritually corrupting. Ezekiel 16:15-18

#### Biblical Beauty...

- 1) Is <u>God-given</u>. 1 Peter 3:3-4
- 2) Is gentle and quiet. 1 Peter 3:3-4
- 3) Is precious in God's sight. 1 Peter 3:3-4
- 4) Is unfading and eternal. 1 Peter 3:3-4

One thing I have asked from the LORD, that I shall seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD and to meditate in His temple.

-Psalm 27:4

Question: How can you become a biblically beautiful woman of God?

Answer: By beholding God and upholding the standard of His Word.







# Week One • BIBLICAL BEAUTY ACCORDING TO PROVERBS

#### Background on Proverbs:

- 1) Author of Proverbs: Solomon 1:1, 1 Kings 3:5–12
- 2) *Purpose of Proverbs* (1:1–6): To give wisdom, discipline, understanding, prudence, knowledge and discretion to the <u>wise</u> AND the <u>unwise</u>.
- 3) *Primary Principle of Proverbs* (1:7): The fear of the Lord is the beginning/foundation of wisdom and knowledge.

The fear of the Lord = reverence for God that results in obedience to God.

4) Present Day Proverb:

"You gotta know better to do better."

Our Goal as we study Proverbs: To know AND do/obey God better.

#### Biblical Beauty Dos: According to Proverbs:

- 1) Pure and modest. (Beauty Don't #1: The Immoral Woman)
- 2) <u>Discreet</u> and <u>prudent</u>. (Beauty Don't #2: The Indiscreet Woman)
- 3) Edifying and gracious. (Beauty Don't #3: The Irritating Woman)
- 4) <u>Sexual</u> and <u>satisfying</u>. (Beauty Do #1: The Captivating Woman)
- 5) Spiritual and strong. (Beauty Do #2: The Ideal Woman)



# Week Two • THE IMMORAL WOMAN VS. THE GODLY WOMAN

#### Biblical Beauty Don't: The Immoral Woman:

- 1) *How does she speak?* Prov. 2:16, 5:3 <u>Seductive</u>, flirtatious, flattering, and enticing words.
- 2) *How does she act?* Prov. 7:10–16 Aggressive, brash, rebellious, neglects her home, prefers the <u>streets</u>, <u>malls</u>, and <u>markets</u>.
- 3) *How does she dress?* Prov. 7:10 Seductively, <u>immodestly</u>, inappropriately.
- 4) What is her heart like? Prov. 5:6, 30:20 Religious but <u>ignores</u> God's ways.
- 5) What is her destiny? Prov. 5:5

  Destruction, death, and judgment.

#### Biblical Beauty Do: The Godly Woman:

- How does she speak? 1 Peter 3:3–4
   Gentle, quiet, discreet, and edifying words.
- 2) *How does she act?* 1 Peter 3:2, 1 Thess. 4:3–7
  Avoids sexual <u>immorality</u>, controls her body so as not to <u>defraud</u>
  others. *Defraud* = to take advantage of someone; to cause someone to stumble.
- How does she dress? 1 Timothy 2:9–10 <u>Modestly</u>, decently, and <u>appropriately</u>.
- 4) What is her heart like? 1 Thess. 4:1 Longs to <u>please</u> God and lead a holy life.
- 5) What is her destiny? 1 Thess. 5:9–10

  <u>Eternal life</u> and salvation.





# Week Three • THE INDISCREET WOMAN VS. THE WOMAN OF DISCRETION

Key Verse: A woman who is beautiful but lacks discretion is like a gold ring in a pig's snout.—Proverbs 11:22

OT synonyms for discretion: discreet, discerning, prudent, understanding, insight, wise, knowledge NT synonyms for discretion: discreet, sensible, sober, self-controlled, wisdom

#### Biblical Beauty Don't: The Indiscreet Woman:

- She <u>talks</u> too much and <u>says</u> whatever comes into her head.
- 2) She <u>yawns</u> at personal and <u>spiritual</u> growth.
- 3) She makes <u>poor decisions</u> based on bad judgment.
- 4) She's <u>moody</u> and enjoys drama.
- 5) She <u>flirts</u> with danger and <u>invites</u> it.

#### Biblical Beauty Do: The Discreet Woman:

- 1) She <u>controls</u> her <u>tongue</u> and speaks with wisdom. *Prov.* 10:13, 11:12
- 2) She's eager to learn, grow, and mature spiritually. *Prov.* 14:6
- 3) She makes <u>wise decisions</u> based on truth. *Prov. 13:16, 14:15*
- 4) She is <u>even-tempered</u> and not easily angered. *Prov.* 17:27
- 5) She <u>recognizes</u> danger and <u>avoids</u> it. *Prov. 27:12*





# Week Four • HOW'S THAT IRRITATING WOMAN WORKING FOR YOU?

#### The Irritating Woman:

- 1. Outward signs: <u>discord</u>, <u>strife</u>, manipulating, pouting, pleading, demanding, nagging, etc.
- 2. Proverbs describes her as "quarrelsome" and "contentious"; both of these words come from the Hebrew root word *adon* which means sovereign, i.e. <u>controller</u> (human or divine), lord, master, root of <u>God's</u> name, "Adoni." *Prov.* 19:13, 21:9, 21:19, 25:24
- 3. Because of the fall, all women struggle with the desire to be Irritating Women; it's our <u>default</u> condition when we are controlled by the flesh. *Gen. 3:16*

#### How's that Irritating Woman working for you?

- 1. Miriam's Story Num. 12:1-15
- 2. Michal's Story 2 Sam. 6:12-23
- 3. Sarah's Story Gen. 16:1-5

#### What will work for you?

- 1. The Daughters of Zelophehad: Num. 27:1-10
  - a. They took their <u>problem</u> to those in <u>authority</u>.
  - b. They stated their case simply, factually, and respectfully.
  - c. They offered a <u>simple</u> and a <u>fair solution</u>.
  - d. They <u>entrusted</u> the <u>results</u> to the authorities.

    RESULTS: They received what they needed <u>and helped others</u>, too.
- 2. Acsah's Example *Joshua 15:13–19*
- 3. Paul's Example Philemon

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> James Strong, Strong's Exhaustive Concordance (Iowa Falls, Iowa: Riverside Book and Bible House), 113.



# Week Five • THE ABC'S OF THE CAPTIVATING WOMAN

Introduction: What Sex Means to a Man and What Sex Means to a Woman from *The Act of Marriage* by Tim and Beverly LaHaye.

#### Man

- satisfies his sex drive
- fulfills his manhood
- enhances his love for his wife
- reduces friction in the home
- life's most fulfilling experience

#### Woman

- fulfills her womanhood
- reassures her of her husband's love
- satisfies her sex drive
- relaxes her nervous system
- the ultimate experience for her
- 1. Anticipation Song of Solomon 1
- 2.  $B_{\hbox{\scriptsize eautification}}$  Song of Solomon 1:10–12, 4:11



- 3. Communication Song of Solomon 2:8–9, 5:9–16, 7
- 4. Celebration Song of Solomon 1:7–17, 2:10–13
- 5. Consummation Song of Solomon 4:10–16



# Week Vix • BECOMING AN IDEAL WOMAN

#### An Ideal Woman in the making is *becoming*:

- 1. A trustworthy, valuable help to others. Prov. 31:11–12
- 2. A self-starter and a hard worker. Prov. 31:13, 17, 19, 27
- 3. A skilled homekeeper and servant to her family. Prov. 31:14-15, 21-23
- 4. An organized planner and overseer. Prov. 31:15, 21, 27
- 5. A wise investor and good steward. Prov. 31:16, 18
- 6. A gracious giver to those in need. Prov. 31:20
- 7. An excellent businesswoman. Prov. 31:24,18
- 8. A strong, dignified, confident woman. Prov. 31:21, 25
- 9. A wise, kind example, educator, and encourager. Prov. 31:26
- 10. A woman who reverences God and gives Him priority. Prov. 31:30, 28



