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# Beauty by The Book for Teens

Becoming a Biblically Beautiful Young Woman A 7-Week Study of Proverbs

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## Introductory Week • Physical Beauty vs. Biblical Beauty

Physical Beauty...

- 1) Is <u>God-Given</u>. Ezekiel 28:12
- 2) Is <u>attention-getting</u>. *Ezekiel 28:13–14*
- 3) Is pride-inducing. Ezekiel 28:17
- 4) Is <u>spiritually corrupting</u>. *Ezekiel 28:16–17*

<u>Biblical Beauty</u>...

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

Question:How can you become a biblically beautiful young woman?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: <u>Solomon</u> Proverbs 1:1
- 2) *Purpose of Proverbs* (1:2–6): 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 <u>beginning / foundation</u> of wisdom and knowledge. The fear of the Lord = <u>Reverence</u> for God that results in <u>Obedience</u> 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) <u>Pure</u> and <u>modest</u>. (Beauty Don't #1: The Immoral Woman)
- 2) <u>Wise</u> and <u>discreet</u>. (Beauty Don't #2: The Indiscreet Woman)
- 3) Edifying and encouraging. (Beauty Don't #3: The Irritating Woman)
- 4) **Fascinating** and **<u>attractive</u>**. (Beauty Do #1: The Captivating Woman)
- 5) **<u>Strong</u>** and <u>spiritual</u>. (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, 7:5, 15, 21 Seductive, flirtatious, flattering, and enticing.
- 2) *How does she act?* Prov. 7:10–16 Aggressive, brash, rebellious.
- How does she dress? Prov. 7:10
  Seductively, immodestly, inappropriately.
- What is her heart like? Prov. 5:6, 30:20, 7:14
  Religious but <u>ignores</u> God's ways;
  she <u>USeS</u> and destroys others with no remorse.
- 5) *What is her destiny?* Prov. 5:5, 7:27 Destruction, death, and judgment.

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

- 1) *How does she speak?* 1 Peter 3:4 <u>Gentle</u>, <u>quiet</u>, discreet, and edifying.
- 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.*
- 3) *How does she dress?* 1 Timothy 2:9–10 <u>modestly</u>, decently, and <u>appropriately</u>.
- What is her heart like? 1 Thess. 4:1, 7 Longs to <u>please</u> God and lead a holy life.
- What is her destiny? 1 Thess. 5:9–10
  Eternal life, salvation, and the <u>reward</u> of God's blessing.

## Week Three • The Indiscreet Woman vs. The Woman of Discretion

OT synonyms for discretion: discreet, discerning, prudent, understanding, insight, wise

Biblical Beauty Don't: <u>The Indiscreet Woman</u>:

- 1) 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 **poor decisions** based on bad judgment.
- 4) She's <u>moody</u> and enjoys <u>drama</u>.
- 5) She <u>flirts</u> with danger and <u>invites</u> it.

NT synonyms for discretion:

discreet, sensible, sober, self-controlled, wisdom

Biblical Beauty Do: <u>The Discreet Woman</u>:

- 1) She <u>controls</u> her <u>tongue</u> and speaks with wisdom. *Prov. 10:13, 11:12*
- 2) She's eager to learn, **<u>GrOW</u>**, and mature <u>**Spiritually**</u>. *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>Contentious</u>, quarrelsome; hard to get along with
  - \* <u>**mean</u>** and manipulating</u>
  - \* **<u>pouts</u>**, pleads and nags
  - \* demanding and **bossy / controlling**
- 2. Inward issues: A desire to <u>rule</u> and <u>control</u> others.

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

- 1. Miriam's Story. It didn't work for her at all! Num. 12:1–15
- 2. Michal's Story. It didn't work for her either! 2 Sam. 6:12–23

#### What will work for you?

- 1. The Example of 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 <u>simply</u>, <u>factually</u>, and respectfully.
  - c. They offered a simple, fair <u>Solution</u>.
  - d. They <u>entrusted</u> the <u>results</u> to the authorities.

**RESULTS:** 

They received what they needed <u>and <u>helped others</u>, too.</u>

- 2. The Example of <u>Acsah</u> Joshua 15:13–19
- 3. Speaking <u>3B</u>: Ephesians 4:29
  - a. A biblically beautiful young woman speaks <u>fluent</u> 3B.
  - b. 3B words <u>build</u>, <u>bless</u>, and <u>benefit</u> others.

## Week Five • How a Godly Girl Attracts a Godly Guy

#### <u>Step 1</u>: Embrace God's <u>Standard</u> as your <u>Standard</u>; only date / marry a Christian.

"Don't team up with those who are unbelievers. How can righteousness be a partner with wickedness? How can light live with darkness?" —2 Corinthians 6:14 NLT

#### <u>Step 2</u>: Follow Ruth's example; become a <u>Captivating</u> young woman.

- 1) Give God **priority** in your life. *Ruth 1:16, Psalm 37:3–6*
- 2) <u>Earn</u> the <u>respect</u> of others by:
  - \* your virtuous <u>Character</u> Ruth 2:10–13, Psalm 37:6
  - \* your willingness to WOrk Ruth 2:2-3, 6-7
- 3) Take care of your physical appearance. Ruth 3:3
- 4) Do not compromise your <u>Sexual purity</u>. Ruth 2–3
- 5) Let your desire for a <u>**COMMITMENT**</u> to <u>**MARTY</u>** be known. *Ruth 3:6–9*</u>

#### Step 3: Learn to <u>recognize</u> a godly guy.

- 1) He will give God **<u>Priority</u>** in his life. *Ruth 2:4, 8–15*
- 2) He will be <u>respected</u> by others.
- 3) He will **protect** you. *Ruth 2:8, 15*
- 4) He will **<u>provide</u>** for you. *Ruth 2:8–9, 14–16*
- 5) He will make a <u>commitment</u> to you and will <u>publicly</u> follow through with it. *Ruth* 3:11–4:10

## Week Six • Becoming an Ideal Woman

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

- 1. A <u>trustworthy</u>, valuable help to others. *Prov. 31:11–12*
- 2. A <u>self-starter</u> and a hard worker. *Prov. 31:13, 17, 19, 27*
- 3. A skilled home keeper 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 **<u>giver</u>** to those in need. *Prov. 31:20*
- 7. An excellent businesswoman. Prov. 31:16, 24
- 8. A strong, dignified, <u>Confident</u> woman. *Prov. 31:21, 25*
- 9. A wise, kind <u>example</u>, educator, and encourager. *Prov. 31:26*

#### What's her secret? How can she do all this? Answer: Because she is...

10. A woman who reverences God and gives Him priority. Prov. 31:30