



Mother: A Very Special Lady

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Comfort Foods:

- ▶ Chocolate Cake
- ▶ Chocolate Muffins
- ▶ Chocolate Pancakes
- ▶ Cocoa Gravy

Proverbs 31

- ▶ 10 An excellent wife, who can find? For her worth is far above jewels.
- ▶ 11 The heart of her husband trusts in her, And he will have no lack of gain.
- ▶ 12 She does him good and not evil All the days of her life.
- ▶ 13 She looks for wool and flax And works with her hands in delight.
- ▶ 14 She is like merchant ships; She brings her food from afar.
- ▶ 15 She rises also while it is still night And gives food to her household And portions to her maidens.
- ▶ 16 She considers a field and buys it; From her earnings she plants a vineyard.
- ▶ 17 She girds herself with strength And makes her arms strong.
- ▶ 18 She senses that her gain is good; Her lamp does not go out at night.
- ▶ 19 She stretches out her hands to the distaff, And her hands grasp the spindle.

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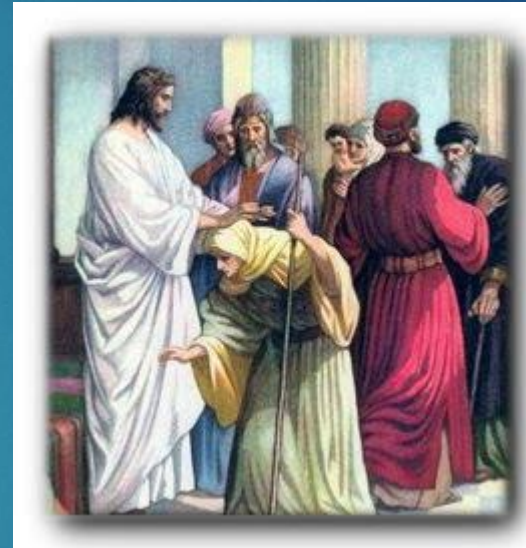
- ▶ 20 **She extends her hand to the poor, And she stretches out her hands to the needy.**
- ▶ Pro 31:21 She is not afraid of the snow for her household, For all her household are clothed with scarlet.
- ▶ Pro 31:22 **She makes** coverings for herself; Her clothing is fine linen and purple.
- ▶ Pro 31:23 Her husband is known in the gates, When he sits among the elders of the land.
- ▶ Pro 31:24 **She makes** linen garments and sells *them*, And supplies belts to the tradesmen.
- ▶ Pro 31:25 Strength and dignity are her clothing, And she smiles at the future.
- ▶ Pro 31:26 **She opens her mouth in wisdom, And the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.**
- ▶ Pro 31:27 She looks well to the ways of her household, And does not eat the bread of idleness.
- ▶ Pro 31:28 Her children rise up and bless her; Her husband *also*, and he praises her, *saying*:
- ▶ Pro 31:29 "Many daughters have done nobly, But you excel them all."
- ▶ Pro 31:30 Charm is deceitful and beauty is vain, **But a woman who fears the LORD, she shall be praised.**
- ▶ Pro 31:31 Give her the product of her hands, And let her works praise her in the gates.

Works of Her Hands

- ▶ Acts 9:36 “In Joppa there was a believer named Tabitha. Her name in the Greek language was Dorcas. She was always doing good and helping poor people...
- ▶ Act 9:39 Peter went with them. When he arrived, he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him crying. They showed him the robes and other clothes Dorcas had made while she was still alive.”

Bent Over

- ▶ **Luke 13:11**... "She was bent over and could not straighten up at all."
- ▶ Luk 13:12 When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, "Woman, you are set free from your infirmity."
- ▶ Luk 13:13 Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God."



New Body

- ▶ **Ph'p. 3:20 – 21** “For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ;
- ▶ Php 3:21 who will transform the body of our humble state into conformity with the **body of His glory**, by the exertion of the power that He has even to subject all things to Himself.”
- ▶ 1 John 3:1 “ See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called **children of God**; and *such* we are. For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.
- ▶ 1Jn 3:2 Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, **because we will see Him just as He is.**
- ▶ 1Jn 3:3 And everyone who has this hope *fixed* on Him **purifies himself**, just as He is pure.

A Widow

Worthy widow

- ▶ 1Timothy 5:5 "Now she who is a widow indeed and who has been left alone, has **fixed her hope on God** and continues in entreaties and prayers night and day..."
- ▶ 1Ti 5:9 A widow is to be put on the list only if she is not less than sixty years old, *having been* the wife of one man,
- ▶ 1Ti 5:10 having **a reputation for good works**; *and* if she has brought up children, if she has shown hospitality to strangers, if she has washed the saints' feet, if she has assisted those in distress, *and* if she has devoted herself to every good work."

Shameful widow

- ▶ 1Ti 5:13 "At the same time they also learn *to be* idle, as they go around from house to house; and not merely idle, but also gossips and busybodies, talking about things not proper *to mention*."
- ▶ 1Ti 5:14 Therefore, I want younger widows to get married, bear children, keep house, *and* give the enemy no occasion for reproach;
- ▶ 1Ti 5:15 for some have already turned aside to follow Satan."

Poor Widow

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- ▶ Proverbs 30:7 – 9 “Two things I asked of You, Do not refuse me before I die: 8 Keep deception and lies far from me, Give me **neither poverty nor riches**; Feed me with the food that is my portion, 9 That I not be full and deny You and say, "Who is the LORD?" Or that I not be in want and steal, And profane the name of my God.”

Rich in Faith

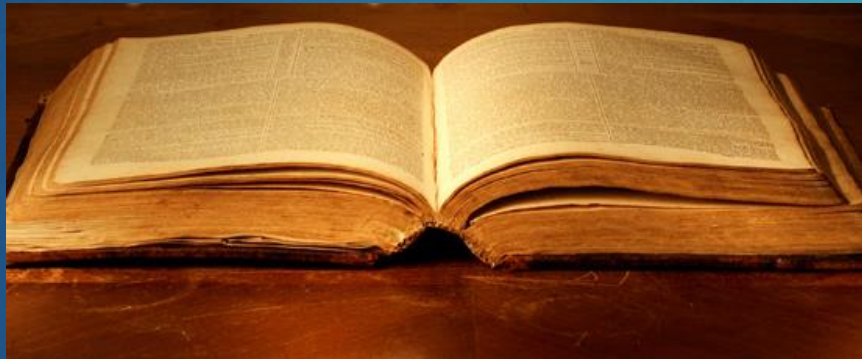
- ▶ Jas 2:5 "Listen, my beloved brethren: did not God choose the **poor** of this world to **be rich in faith** and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who love Him?"



She Loves God

Bible is Open

- ▶ “Those who love Your law have great peace, And nothing causes them to stumble.” (Ps. 119:165)



Heart is Open

- ▶ “A woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple fabrics, a worshiper of God, **was listening; and the Lord opened her heart to respond to the things spoken** by Paul. 15 And when she and her household had **been baptized**, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be **faithful to the Lord**, come into my house and stay.” And she prevailed upon us.” (Acts 16:14 – 15)

