

## I. The Portrait of a Virtuous Woman (vv. 10-31)

A. Her worth: A rare gem and trustworthy companion (v. 10)

"Praying mothers are America's greatest assets." — Theodore Roosevelt

- B. Her devotion: Bringing good to her husband and family (vv. 11-12)
- C. Her industry: Diligently working for the well-being of her household (vv. 13-15)
- D. Her wisdom: Managing resources and making wise investments (vv. 16-19)

"I learned more about God from my mother than from all the theologians in England." — Charles Wesley

- E. Her compassion: Helping the poor and needy (v. 20)
- F. Her strength: Spiritually and physically equipped to face challenges (vv. 25-26)

"I cannot tell how much I owe to the prayers of my good mother." — C.H. Spurgeon

- G. Her dignity: Clothed in honor and respected by her family and community (v. 25)
- H. Her legacy: Praised by her children and husband (vv. 28-31)

## **II.** Lessons for Modern Mothers

- A. Embracing godly character traits
  - 1. Faithfulness and trustworthiness
  - 2. Devotion to family
  - 3. Industry and diligence
  - 4. Wisdom in managing resources
  - 5. Compassion and generosity
- B. Prioritizing spiritual growth
  - 1. Seeking God's guidance and strength
  - 2. Nurturing a personal relationship with God
  - 3. Instilling godly values in children
- C. Balancing responsibilities
  - 1. Managing household duties
  - 2. Pursuing personal interests and growth
  - 3. Finding support and seeking help when needed
- D. Leaving a lasting legacy
  - 1. Investing in the spiritual and emotional well-being of children
  - 2. Building strong family relationships
  - 3. Being an example of virtue and godliness to others

## **III. Honoring and Appreciating Mothers**

- A. Expressing gratitude and love
- B. Celebrating mothers' contributions and sacrifices
- C. Offering support and encouragement
- D. Acknowledging the importance of the mothering role in society

## 31 Ways to Honor and Appreciate Mothers

- 1. Write a heartfelt letter expressing your gratitude and love.
- 2. Make her breakfast in bed.
- 3. Take over her daily chores for a day to give her a break.
- 4. Create a personalized photo album or scrapbook.
- 5. Offer to babysit the kids to give her a well-deserved break.
- 6. Organize a family gathering or a special outing to celebrate her.
- 7. Cook her favorite meal or treat her to a fancy dinner.
- 8. Give her a day of pampering by treating her to a spa or a massage.
- 9. Help her with any home improvement projects or tasks she's been wanting to do.
- 10. Take her on a weekend getaway or plan a family vacation.
- 11. Wash her car.
- 12. Surprise her with a thoughtful gift that reflects her interests and passions.
- 13. Encourage her to pursue her hobbies or take up a new one by gifting her related supplies or a class.
- 14. Help her declutter and organize her home or workspace.
- 15. Plan a movie night and let her choose all the films she wants to watch.
- 16. Offer to help with her work-related tasks or projects.
- 17. Offer to organize and digitize old family photos, preserving precious memories.
- 18. Plant a tree or create a garden in her honor.
- 19. Arrange a surprise visit from a family member or friend she hasn't seen in a while.
- 20. Write and perform a heartfelt song, poem, or skit dedicated to her.
- 21. Take her shopping for a new outfit or accessory she's been eyeing.
- 22. Arrange for a professional photoshoot for her and the family.
- 23. Write a gratitude journal dedicated to her, documenting the ways she has positively impacted your life.
- 24. Create a gratitude jar and fill it with notes highlighting why you appreciate her.
- 25. Support her in pursuing her education or professional development.
- 26. Offer to teach her a new skill or take a class together.
- 27. Help her create a blog, start a YouTube channel, or showcase her talents online.
- 28. Take her to a concert, theater performance, or art exhibition she would enjoy.
- 29. Surprise her with a subscription to her favorite magazine or a book club.
- 30. Host a surprise party in her honor, inviting all her loved ones.
- 31. Simply spend quality time together, sharing stories, laughter, and creating new memories.