

LIFE GROUP SERMON SUMMARY QUESTIONS

Mother's Day 2019

These questions are for the **May 12, 2019** sermon, "They call her blessed." Please read the sermon passage (Proverbs 31:10-31) together out loud.

Sermon Outline

IF YOU'RE GOING TO RAISE A MOM, BE SURE TO CONSIDER . . .

1. The value she is to possess (10-12)
 - a. She is "excellent," or "worthy."
 - b. Her excellence produces blessing to those around her (especially her children)
2. The work she is to accomplish (13-24)
 - a. Her hands are busy performing tasks and serving others.
 - b. She not only performs the tasks, but manages others.
 - c. She has stamina to keep going when others give up. She makes things happen.
3. The character she is to exhibit (25-27)
 - a. She makes herself strong.
 - b. She presents herself as classy, "ready."
 - c. She manages her time for God's glory.
4. The praise she is to receive (28-31)
 - a. Her children honor her in the home.
 - b. Her husband honors her in the community.

Life Group Discussion Questions

1. Based on #1, above: Without naming even one negative characteristic, name two-three ways in which your mom is excellent. How was your life blessed because of your mom? What single characteristic of your mom, flowing from the image of God, do you desire to emulate.
2. Based on #2, above: Verses 13-24 present a woman who is always making things happen. What kinds of things did your mom prioritize in terms of making things happen? What have you learned about stamina and strength from your mom?
3. Based on #3, above: Some things need to get done now, while others can wait. What does your calendar reveal about your priorities? What should you spend less time on? What should you spend more time on? Are you ready to make adjustments to your calendar?
4. Based on #4, above: Praise for this excellent woman happens within the home (from the children) and out in the community (from the husband). Note that the woman does not ask for nor expect praise, yet it comes from those closest to her heart. Note also that it does not say when the praise comes. Do you ever waste time hoping for praise? How has this hurt relationships? Do you believe that God is completely pleased with you in Jesus Christ? What if that is the last bit of praise you perceive in this world? Is it enough?