

Sermon Notes for May 14, 2006 A.M.

**Morning: “The Most Successful Person in the World!”** Proverbs 31:10-31  
(Parenting By The Proverbs)  
(Pew Bible page 586)

“The hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that rules the world!” (W. R. Wallace) The most successful, powerful, influential person on planet Earth is a godly, Christian mother!

**Her Virtue**— Proverbs 31:10a— “Who can find a godly, virtuous woman?” The first quality of a Christian mother is Holy Spirit holiness. Salvation by the Blood of Christ and a daily walk with God brings godly virtue, the most important quality in a mother’s life.

**Her Value**— Proverbs 31:10b— “For her price is far above rubies.” The gross national product and value of a nation is not measured by mere dollars. A nation’s value is in our mothers! Godly mothers make a nation rich in spiritual things, a treasure beyond measure.

**Her Vision**— Proverbs 31:11-27— “Strength and honor are her clothing.”

- A vision for a **husband**— Proverbs 31:11— “The heart of her husband safely trusts in her.”
- A vision of her **hands**— Proverbs 31:13-20— “She works willingly with her hands . . .”
- A vision of her **home**— Proverbs 31:21-22— “She is not afraid of the snow for her household, for all her household are clothed with scarlet.”
- A vision of **Heaven**— Proverbs 31:25— “She shall rejoice in time to come.”

**Her Voice**— Proverbs 31:26— “She opens her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness.” Christ-like compassion, nurtured by a life of submission and godly love, make mother’s voice the sweetest sound to human ears.

**Her Victory**— Proverbs 31:28-31— “Her children arise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her . . . A woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised . . . Let her own works praise her in the gates (of Heaven).”

- ❖ Thank God for your mother. Call her to thank her for her sacrifices if she is still on earth.
- ❖ Treasure your wife and mother of your children.
- ❖ Honor God by honoring Christian motherhood.
- ❖ Place Jesus Christ first in your heart and life, and do all you can to make homes in America stronger and more godly.

The praise of family on earth and the smile of God in Heaven make the Christian mother the most successful person in the world.

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**Evening: “Divorce Proofing Your Home”** Proverbs 5:1-23 (Pew Bible page 563)  
(Parenting By The Proverbs)

Proverbs Chapter 5 is unique in the Bible with its specific practical ways for a husband to hold his marriage together. The Bible calls upon the godly husband to initiate, nurture, and sustain the bonds of marriage. The book of Proverbs is indeed amazing in its practical, daily life application verses.

I. **Reflect** on God’s Word to your life as a Christian man. Proverbs 5:1-2— “My son, pay attention to my wisdom; lend your ear to my understanding.”

- Proverbs 4:26-27— Reflect on the **Paths** God has ordained. Proverbs 5:3-6 is God’s path in contrast with Satan’s paths.
- Proverbs 5:7-13— Reflect on the **Protection** God has provided in keeping you from sin.
- Proverbs 5:14— Reflect on the **Presumption** the Christian man must avoid, even as a Church leader.

II. **Rejoice** in God’s Will for your life. Proverbs 5:15— “Drink water from your own cistern.”

- Proverbs 5:16-17— It is God’s will to run from the “**strange woman.**”
- Proverbs 5:18— It is God’s will to rejoice with your “**sacred wife.**” (Ecclesiastes 9:9; Malachi 2:14-16)

III. **Romancing** your Wife is Biblical!! Proverbs 5:19-20— “And be thou **ravished** always with **her** love.” (KJV) “And always be **enraptured** with **her** love.” (NKJV) “May you ever be **captivated** by **her** love.” (NIV) “You should be **attracted** to **her** and stay deeply in love.” (CEV) “Her love will **invigorate** you always; through her love you will flourish continually.” (NASV) “Let her love always make you happy; let her love

always **hold you captive.**" (NCV) "May you be **intoxicated** always by her love."  
(NRSV)

#### IV. Receive Marriage as an Act of Worship of God.

- The **Presence** of the Lord in daily life brings worship.  
Proverbs 5:21— "Before the eyes of the Lord."
- The **Punishment** of the Lord to those disobeying His Word lead us to worship.  
Proverbs 5:22— "And he is caught in the cords of his sin."
- The **Pleasures** of the Lord in obedient union with Christ fill us with worship.  
Psalm 16:11— "At your right hand, there are pleasures forevermore."  
Colossians 3:1-4