

Attributes of Christian Womanhood

1 Timothy 2:9-15 contains four attributes of a Christian woman

- Her greatest beauty is to be found in modesty (9-10)
- Her greatest eloquence is to be found in quietness (11-12)
- Her greatest power is to be found in submission (13-14)
- Her greatest glory is to be found in motherhood (15)



Some in our contemporary culture see such attributes as demeaning to women. They don't get it. God gave these attributes to His finest and final creation.

Modesty is not a sign of ugliness. Just the opposite. A woman who possesses the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit radiates a beauty far above that of jewels and clothes. Her attractiveness is "inside out."

Quietness is not a sign of ignorance. Just the opposite. Holding your tongue and being sure of *what* you speak, *where* you speak, *when* you speak, and *how* you speak is the greatest wisdom.

Submission is not a sign of weakness. Just the opposite. It was by submission to the will of God that Jesus was highly exalted. He did not bear the cross out of fear and duty, but because He chose to. The greatest power is found in conquering your own ego by submission.

Motherhood is not a sign of inability. Just the opposite. It is the highest position of honor and the most noble calling of service. Far above the titles of "Queen," "Princess," "Your Honor," "Madam President," and "Doctor" is the voice of a child saying "Mommie."

To change from such an ideal is degradation. Why would a butterfly want to be a caterpillar?

- Jimmy Jividen

Mother's Day

We pause on the path of the year
To pay honor and worshipful tribute
To the Mother our heart holds dear ...

For whether here or in heaven,
Her love is our haven and guide.
For always the memory of Mother
Is a beacon light shining inside ...
Time cannot destroy her memory
And years can never erase
The tenderness and the beauty
Of the love in a Mother's face ...
And, when we think of our Mother,
We draw nearer to God above,
For only God in His Greatness
Could fashion a Mother's Love.

- Helen Steiner Rice -



No man is poor who has a godly mother. - Abraham Lincoln

News Notes

GOSPEL MEETING: Today through Thursday, May 15th, 7:00 p.m. at McKinleyville. Different speakers each evening. Bro. Rico will speak tomorrow evening.

CARE & SHARE BEARS: Each Tuesday at 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. All ladies are invited to participate.

CONVERT'S CLASS: Each Thursday at 11:00 a.m. All are welcome.

FRIDAY NIGHT SINGS: This Friday, May 16th, 6:30 p.m. at Columbiana Church of Christ. Also, on May 30, 7:00 p.m. at Bridge St. Church of Christ, New Martinsville (details on Bulletin Board).

LADIES DAY: Next Saturday, May 17th at Blueville, Grafton (details on Bulletin Board).

PANTRY: Tuna & noodles

NEW ADDRESS: Jean Haught (Skip's mother), Serra Manor, 100 Serra Drive, Room 17, Weirton, WV 26062.

SICK: At Home: Nancy Hadley, David & Becky McKittrick, Matt Malcomson, Brian Haught (Skip's brother), John Sprout, Randy Beagle, Peggy Linger, Scharlotte Jones, Harry Huff, Nancy Cox, Barbara DeLong, Marlene Evans, Cheryl Renfro Walker. **Fox-Chester:** Janice Hutchins, Mary Johnson. **Elsewhere:** Carolyn Carbone, 98 Orange Blossom Lane, Ranson, WV 25438. Herman McHan, 7401 Elmwood Dr., Lisbon, OH 44432.

For a Contented Life

Health enough to make work a pleasure.

Wealth enough to support your needs.

Strength to battle with difficulties and overcome them.

Grace enough to confess your sins and forsake them.

Patience enough to toil until some good is accomplished.

Charity enough to see some good in your neighbor.

Love enough to move you to be useful and helpful to others.

Faith enough to make real the things of God.

Hope enough to remove all anxious fears concerning the future.

- Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe -
The Treasure Chest

♦ "But godliness actually is a means of great gain, when accompanied by contentment. For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out of it either. And, if we have food and covering, with these we shall be content." - 1 Tim. 6:6-8 (NASB).

♦ "Let your way of life be free from the love of money, being content with what you have; for He Himself has said, I will never desert you, nor will I ever forsake you. - Heb. 13:5 (NASB).