

A Proverb for Homeschooling Mothers

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Who can find an excellent homeschooling Mother? She is worth far more than rubies. Her husband's heart is at peace, for he knows his precious children are in good hands. She opens her arms and heart to welcome God's blessing of children; and lives out her love for her family each day, all day. She seeks ways to creatively fulfill her husband's desires for the family, for she knows that God is leading her through him. She rises while it is yet night to spend time with her Lord, and to pray for her husband, children, herself and the activities of the day. She is resourceful in growing, buying and preparing a healthy, tasty menu for her family. She wisely considers the curricula available, and patiently leads her children in learning. She discerns when a child needs a different approach to learning, or when to persevere on the path they are on. She plans her day with orderliness (and hopes it will go as planned), but is flexible when changes are necessary. She is patient with the many demands on her time and attention. She does not "eat the bread of idleness" in her housekeeping but she graciously accepts a home with a "lived-in" look. She sees the eternal value of each child. So the toddler to the young adult know she has a listening ear- day or night. She stretches out her hands in discipline, and in her hand she holds the rod of love. She extends her hand to those in need around her. Yes, and so her children follow her example and are willing to share with others. She is not afraid of the snow for she has provided clothing for her family, nor is she afraid of the future of her children for she has laid a firm foundation in their lives. Her house is a pleasant place to be—for her joyful countenance adds sunshine to the home. Her husband is respected by all who know him, for all can see that he is loved and honored by his family. She believes that godly character and close family relationships are more important than great knowledge and much peer socialization. She rejoices in the accomplishments and character of her children but is humble and discreet in sharing this with others. When she speaks her children listen for they will hear words of wisdom gently spoken; Words of praise and encouragement are often heard. Be assured, her children will someday rise up and thank her Her husband - he already praises her. Many women have great and wonderful accomplishments in their careers in this world but the path you have chosen is far more worthwhile. Plenty of time for hobbies is deceitful, and a picture perfect house is passing; But a woman that fears the Lord, reverences her husband, and dedicates her life to nurturing and teaching her children; She shall be praised! Reward the sacrifices she makes with a powerful, godly influence to many future generations; and reserve for her a crown in heaven.