

## The Noble Wife: Part 2

A wife of noble character who can find?  
She is worth far more than rubies.

When it snows, she has no fear for her  
household;  
for all of them are clothed in scarlet.  
She makes coverings for her bed;  
she is clothed in fine linen and  
purple.

Her husband is respected at the city  
gate,  
where he takes his seat among the  
elders of the land.

She makes linen garments and sells  
them,  
and supplies the merchants with  
sashes.

She is clothed with strength and dignity;  
she can laugh at the days to come.

She speaks with wisdom,  
and faithful instruction is on her  
tongue.

She watches over the affairs of her  
household  
and does not eat the bread of  
idleness.

Her children arise and call her blessed;  
her husband also, and he praises  
her:

"Many women do noble things,  
but you surpass them all."

Charm is deceptive, and beauty is  
fleeting;  
but a woman who fears the Lord is to  
be praised.

Give her the reward she has earned,  
and let her works bring her praise at  
the city gate.

He who finds a wife finds what is good  
and receives favor from the Lord.

Proverbs 31:10, 21-31; 18:22