

ATTRIBUTES OF A COOLY WOMAN

**Pleasing
the Heart
of God**



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Dear ladies,

God has put it on my heart to teach this series called, "Pleasing the Heart of God." In Titus chapter 2 the scriptures teach us, "that the older women in the Lord are to teach the younger women." My goal is to fulfill the Lord's command. As long as I am here on earth, I would like to serve the women of Christ by sharing out of God's Word and my life experiences as a child of God.

Working with my husband, Pastor Leo of Mission Valley Christian Fellowship, I have been involved with every aspect of the ministry. And I have been privileged to serve along side many faithful women of the Lord.

I pray that you not only will enjoy this series but that the Lord will speak to you and that you will LOVE, GROW, and HELP others through this series.

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LESSON 1 Words of Wisdom

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of Wisdom,
And knowledge of the Holy One is Understanding.

Proverbs 9:10(NKJ)

“We all can say something that will please the heart of God, but it is not just about words, it is also about doing.”

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Make a joyful shout to the LORD, all you lands.
Serve the LORD with gladness;
Come before His presence with singing.
Know that the LORD, He is GOD.
It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves.
We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

Enter into His gates with thanksgiving,
And into His courts with praise.
Be thankful to Him, and bless His name.
For the Lord is good;
His mercy is everlasting,
And His truth endures to all generations.

Psalm 100 (NKJ)

Define the word "attribute".

According to the study, what pleases the heart of God?

Describe in your life your own attributes of a Godly woman.

What areas do YOU feel you are lacking?

Now ask the LORD to reveal what areas you are lacking.

According to 1 Kings 3:3-10, how did King Solomon show his love for the LORD?

What would you do if God asked you "Ask what you wish me to give you?"

What attributes does Solomon show in 1 Kings 3:6-9?

How do you respond when bad things happen to you? Are you a good ambassador of the LORD?

What goes into the heart is what God is concerned about. What do you put into your heart?

1 Cor. 13:3 says, "...but do not have love, it profits me nothing."
What is love, according to 1 Cor. 13:4-8?

Read Romans 12:1-2. What keeps you from “presenting your bodies as living and holy sacrifices” to the LORD?

What lesson did you learn from the story that the Pastor of Burma shared?

Read Psalm 29:11 and write down the attributes of God that you find.

LESSON 2 Attributes of a Godly Woman

But as for you, speak the things which are proper for sound doctrine: ...the older women likewise, that they be reverent in behavior, not slanderers, not given to too much wine, teachers of good things –

That they admonish the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, to be discreet, chaste, homemakers, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be blasphemed.

Titus 2:1, 3-5 (NKJ)

A Thankful Heart

Take nothing for granted, for whenever you do,
The joy of enjoying is lessened for you.
For we rob our own lives much than we know
When we fail to respond or in any way show
Our thanks for the blessings that daily are ours –
The warmth of the sun, the fragrance of flowers,
The beauty of twilight, the freshness of dawn,
The coolness of dew on a green velvet lawn,
The kind little deeds so thoughtfully done,
The favors of friends and the love that someone
Unselfishly gives us in a myriad of ways,
Expecting no payment and no words of praise.
Oh, great is our loss when we no longer find
A thankful response to things of this kind,
For the joy of enjoying and the fullness of living
Are found in the heart that is filled with thanksgiving.

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One of the *Attributes of a Godly Woman* is Sound Speech.

Begin by reading Titus 2:3-8.

Look-up the following words in a dictionary. Write a brief sentence as to what the word means. Then look up the word in a concordance and give scripture reference(s).

Sober minded

Love

Discreet

Chaste

Uncorruptness

Gravity

Sincerity

LESSON 3 Love Is

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

John 3:16 (KJV)

Love suffers long and is kind;
Love does not envy;
Love does not parade itself, is not puffed up;
does not behave rudely, does not seek its own,
is not provoked, thinks no evil;
does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth;
bears all things, believes all things,
hopes all things, endures all things.
Love never fails...

1 Corinthians 13:4-8a (NKJ)

Another of the *Attributes of a Godly Woman* is Love.

Begin by reading 1 Corinthians.

Look-up the following words in a dictionary. Write a brief sentence as to what the word means. Then look up the word in a concordance and give scriptural reference(s).

Eros

Agape

Philo

Give examples of these “loves” in your life.

Eros

Agape

Philo

What are the eight qualities of charity (love)? Define each in your own words.

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7.

8.

Which one of the eight qualities are you most in need of cultivating?

Of the three great virtues – faith, hope and charity (love) – why is love the greatest?

LESSON 4 For Women Only

Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him (her) show by good conduct that his (her) works are done in the meekness of wisdom.

James 3:13(NKJ)

Love One Another

To love one another as God loved you
May seem impossible to do,
But if you will try to have faith and believe,
There's no end to the joy that you will receive.
For love works in ways that are wondrous and strange,
And there's nothing in life that love cannot change –
For love is the key that throws open the door
To the heart that was locked and lonely before.
Love is the answer to all the heart seeks,
And love is the channel through which God speaks –
And all He has promised can only come true
When you love one another the way He loved you.

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How do we make righteous judgments? With love and unselfish behavior. And by seeking God's help and God's ways. We seek the LORD daily. We get into His Word.

Read the book of James.

Do you find it easier to speak words of encouragement or blessing to people or do you criticize them?

Why do you think you do what you do?
According to James 3:3-6 are you guilty of being a "Busy-body"?

What is the potential destructiveness of the tongue?

How do you compare loving one another with words to worshipping the LORD?

What attributes in you need to change so that you become an encourager to those around you?

In James 3:13 the question is asked "Who among you is wise and understanding? What are the attributes described?"

In the following verses what is described as the opposite of verse 13?

What are the results of this earthly wisdom?

Which of these two descriptions do you use the most in your decision making?

Describe the “wisdom from above”.

What do you need to do to allow this “wisdom from above” to be more predominate in your life?

Read Proverbs 28:26. Then find other scriptures in the Proverbs that will help you grow in the wisdom of the LORD.

LESSON 5 Guard Your Heart

PART 1

He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely,
he shall be delivered.

Proverbs 28:26(KJV)

In His Footsteps

When someone does a kindness
It always seems to me
That's the way God up in heaven
Would like us all to be...

For when we bring some pleasure
To another human heart,
We have followed in His footsteps
And we've had a little part

In Serving Him who loves us...
For I am very sure it's true
That in serving those around us
We serve and please Him, too.

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Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

Ladies, it is my prayer that you will seek God so that He can clean out the chambers of your heart, so that it can be said of you, "She is a woman after the heart of God."

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What are the things we should guard our heart from? Give scripture reference(s).

According to Romans 12:2 what are we supposed to do to get things right in our mind?

In 2 Corinthians 10:5 we are to take every thought into captivity. What happens if we don't?

Fill in the blank, "My heart is _____."
Why do you say this?

How can you change?

Who knows your heart? Give scripture reference(s).

Are you consistently examining yourself by using God's Word or by the world's standards?

What is the LORD revealing to you in the following scriptures:

1 Samuel 16:7

Isaiah 55:8-11

Romans 3:22-23

Hebrews 4:13

2 Corinthians 10:12

Hebrews 4:12

LESSON 5 Guard Your Heart

PART 2

Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.

1 John 4:7(KJV)

Heart Gifts

It's not the things that can be bought
That are life's richest treasure,
It's just the little "heart gifts"
That money cannot measure.
A cheerful smile, a friendly word,
A sympathetic nod
Are priceless little treasures
From the storehouse of our God.
They are the things that can't be bought
With silver or with gold,
For thoughtfulness and kindness
And love are never sold.
They are the things in life
For which no one can pay,
And the giver finds rich recompense
In giving them away.

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Read 1 John 2:16

In your own words, explain what these mean to you:

Lust of the flesh

Lust of the eyes

Pride of life

Define lust:

How does lust affect our world today?

How does lust affect you?

Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

Ephesians 2:2-3(KJV)

Read 1 Corinthians 10:1-6

Define discipline:

Find six scriptures which refer to discipline and write them down for discussion in your group.

LESSON 6 Guarding Your Home

PART 1

That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,

To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.

Titus 2:4, 5(KJV)

He Loves You

It's amazing and incredible,
But it's as true as it can be –
God loves and understands us all,
And that means you and me.
His grace is all-sufficient
For both the young and old.
For the lonely and the timid,
For the brash and for the bold.
His love knows no exceptions,
So never feel excluded –
No matter who or what you are,
Your name has been included.
And no matter what your past has been,
Trust God to understand.
And no matter what your problem is,
Just place it in His hand.
For in all of our unloveliness
This great God loves us still –
He loved us since the world began,
And what's more, He always will!

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How does a Titus 2 woman act?

What does a Titus 2 woman teach?

Why should a Titus 2 woman teach?

Why is Biblical doctrine relevant to our ministry and our home?

List the characteristics of what the older women are to teach the younger women?

Read Galatians 5:16-17 and 22-23

List the nine characteristics found in Galatians 5:22-23?

How do they compare to Titus 2:3-4?

What do you believe are your strong points?

What do you believe are your weak points?

Look at your answers to the last 2 questions about “what do you believe” – now the question is “what is God revealing to you?”

Take one of your weak points and ask God how to improve on it and to practice it in your home.

LESSON 6 Guarding Your Home

PART 2

Blessed is the woman who finds wisdom,
The woman who gains understanding,
For she is more profitable than silver
And yields better returns than gold...
Long life is in her right hand;
In her left hand are riches and honor.
Her ways are pleasant ways,
And all her paths are peace.

Proverbs 3:13-14, 16-17(NIV)

Showers of Blessings

Each day there are showers of blessings
Send from the Father above,
For God is a great, lavish giver,
And there is no end to His love ...
And His grace is more than sufficient,
His mercy is boundless and deep,
And His infinite blessings are countless –
And all this we're given to keep
If we but seek God and find Him
And ask for a bounteous measure
Of this wholly immeasurable offering
From God's inexhaustible treasures ...
For no matter how big man's (woman's) dreams are,
God's blessings are infinitely more,
For always God's giving is greater
Than what man is asking for.

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Begin by reading Proverbs 14:1

What does it mean to you to be a “wise woman?”

What makes your house a home?

How do you protect your home from the influences of the world?

Read Proverbs 24:3-6

Define wisdom.

The Bible gives us examples of women who showed much wisdom, name at least three and explain how they showed this wisdom from God.

1.

2.

3.

Read Proverbs 22:17-21

What do you believe are the “sayings of the wise?”

Why is it important to know the word of God according to Proverbs 22:17-21?

LESSON 2 Guarding Your Mind

PART 1

Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

Philippians 4:8(KJV)

Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word.

With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments.

Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

Blessed art thou, O LORD: teach me thy statutes.

With my lips have I declared all the judgments of thy mouth.

I have rejoiced in the way of thy testimonies, as much as in all riches.

I will meditate in thy precepts, and have respect unto thy ways.

I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word.

Psalms 119: 9-16(KJV)

Begin by reading Psalms 119:1-32.

According to verse 2, how are we to seek God?

What other verse can you find that asks you to see God with all your heart?

In these verses how many words are used to describe the Word of God?

How do we keep ourselves pure?

Verse 11 says, "I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you." Are you reading your Bible one hour each day?

What or who gets in your way when you don't read?

How do you protect your one hour of reading?

Why is it important to know the precepts of the LORD?

Define knowledge.

Define wisdom.

Explain the difference.

Re-read verse 32.

What has set your heart free?

In 2 Corinthians 10:5, we are to take every thought into captivity.
What happens if we don't?

LESSON 2 Guarding Your Mind

PART 2

Who is a wise man and endowed with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom.

But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

James 3:13 and 17-18(KJV)

A Sure Way to A Happy Day

Happiness is something we create in our mind,
It's not something we search for and so seldom find-
It's just waking up and beginning the day
By counting our blessings and kneeling to pray-
It's giving up thoughts that breed discontent
And accepting what comes as a "gift heaven-sent"-
It's giving up wishing for things we have not
And making the best of whatever we've got-
It's knowing that life is determined for us,
And pursuing our tasks without fret, fume, or fuss-
For it's by completing what GOD gives us to do
That we find real contentment and happiness too.

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Evangelist Beverly La Haye defines self-control as, "Inner strength to control your emotional, mental, and physical weaknesses."

Look up self-control in a dictionary and write a definition.

Read James 3:3-12.

Do you believe that your tongue is the most uncontrolled part of your body? Why or why not?

How has your tongue controlled the course of your life?

How can the tongue's impact on people be similar to a fire, a wild animal, and a deadly poison?

Read James 4:1-10.

What causes fights and quarrels among us?

What are your desires that lead to fights and quarrels?

Why is it that we do not get what we pray for?

Can we be friends with the world? Why or why not?

According to verse 7-8 what are we to do to have more self-control?

Ask the LORD to reveal to you this week what areas of your life need more "self-control".



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