

**AFRICAN WOMAN WHERE IS YOUR GLORY:
BIBLICAL VIEW**

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Abstract

The word **woman** can generally be used, to mean any female human, or specifically, to mean an adult female human as contrasted with *girl*. Women are very special in every human society because they have unique roles and functions. Their tender nature subjects them to attention, making the opposite sex easily influenced to their feminine charms. In an attempt to show off their natural endowments, women have totally derailed in that age long societal values that gave them a special place of respectability. If one is honest enough to carry out an indebt study of the behaviuoral attitude of our women in our socio contemporary life, compared with the past, one will rightly agree that women are on a journey into doom. One of the said consequences of colonialism is the harsh manner in which our colonizers impacted their ways of lives to Africans. The chaotic Nigerian situation today is as a result of gross carelessness, lack of planning, and lack of advisable attitude of our leaders on very sensitive issues. Without doubt we are

faced with a painful reversal of our cherished values, whose importance explains the essence of our being. Nudity is now a highly condemnable act. It is worse when women are involved by virtue of exposing their sensitive private parts. The unguarded desire to show off sexually has driven our women to lowering their quality and value through all forms of provocative dresses and immodest behaviours. In our religious and social circles, one is always at loss to make a distinction between a cheap street woman and a woman of honour. One of the essential qualities of fashion is communication whereby, most of our women just adopt any fashion around them without being selective. It seems women are pursuing shadow. They have left what they are supposed to do and decided to be dancing to the tune of men by making themselves very cheap. This is worrisome.

Introduction

The way one dresses partly describes one's world view, dispositions and orientations. Fashion has a way of explaining the hidden attributes of human personalities. It is like a poetic verse that speaks volume when subjected to a literary analysis. Whatever every woman puts on her body, communicates like animate objects. It is misleading therefore, to go to a church with a dress meant for a night club. It is very discouraging to observe how sexual seduction has turned out to be a style among our women. Their quest for materialism and undue attention has made worse this development. The study is not against women showing off their beauties and natural endowment rather, this study is an advocate of human

aesthetics; that is human beauty and human appearance, but this must be done in a very modest manner in harmony with societal fundamental values. If women will only realize their enormous powers and values in society, they will strive hard to restore their dignity and honour through good conduct. Have one ever sighted some girls recently in mini buses? One is simply presented with an exposition of what this study may rightly refer to as public pornography. This development is one of the reasons for social vices. Religious doctrines according to UN News (29th October, 2013), have specific stipulations relating to appropriate dressing attire for women, and various other issues affecting women and their position in society. According to Batha, Emma (2023) Specific forms of violence that affect women include female genital mutilation, sex trafficking, forced prostitution, forced marriage, rape, sexual harassment, honor killings, acid throwing, and dowry related violence. This is mainly as a result of indecent dressing and greed on the part of women. We are addressed as we dress.

Definition of Terms

A woman

A woman according to online Collins Dictionary, is the female human being. The Oxford English Dictionary has defined woman as an adult female human being. Merriam Webster defined woman as an adult female person.

Cambridge Dictionary recently as cited on 14th December, 2022, added another definition of 'Man' and 'Woman' to match the inclusive of trans people. The new definition of woman is: an adult who lives and identifies as a female even though they

have been born as a different sex. And the new definition of man is: an adult who lives and identifies as male even though they might have been born as a different sex.

Mosby (2009) and Venes D (2017) defined a **woman** as an adult female human. According to Oxford Learner's Dictionary, Prior to adulthood, one is referred to as a girl (a female child or adolescent). Woman according to Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (2010), is the standard general term for the adult human being of the sex distinguished from man. According to Bailey et al (2016), Female sexuality and attraction are variable, and a woman's sexual behavior can be affected by many factors, including evolved predispositions, personality, upbringing, and culture.

An African woman

African woman is one that exists within an ideal African family composed of a real loving husband or father, who is usually the head of the household. A proper African woman aspires to be a wife and a mother. African woman hates divorce. African women are always active in agriculture, trade, and other informal labour force. African women are guardians of their children's welfare. They are the household managers and they are well behaved. In the years past, women were expected to be wives and mothers raising good moral children. Days are gone when women used to be a very specific model for good character like how to talk, how to cook, how to sit down and how to keep calm. The way women show up in the world are more varied and nuanced than ever. Society holds women to ridiculous standards. To be an African woman, you must be compassionate. Being an African woman, is striving to achieve ones goals even in the face of the adversity one may encounter

along the way. To be an African woman, one must be bold and speak up and must have critical thinking.

What is Glory?

Glory according to online Merriam Webster, is “honour renown or honour won by notable achievements. It is also magnificence or great beauty. It is also praise, worship, and thanksgiving offered to a deity.

Glory in Christianity

Glory describes God’s obvious presence. It indicates worth and value, which results in praise, and it is also a synonym for heaven.

A Godly woman of glory

1. A godly woman is a woman of vision.

Vision for fear of God, as it is written in the book of Proverbs 31:30 “Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised”.

Vision for future: Proverbs 31:25 “Strength and honour are her clothing, and she shall rejoice in time to come”.

Vision of her family: Proverbs 31:27 “She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness”.

2. A Godly woman is a woman of value.

In the book of Proverbs 31:10, it is written “Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies. She is

valuable to her husband and her entire family. Her husband trusts her and benefits from her. She provides food for her family. She is a model and cares for her servant girls. In the book of 1Peter 3:4, it is written “but let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of the heart of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God’s sight is very precious” (ESN).

3. A Godly woman is a woman of virtue. Martin Luther in www.nairaland.com said “earth has nothing more tender than a woman’s heart when it is the abode of piety” Her virtue shows as she shuns sinfulness: “and does not eat the bread of idleness” (Proverbs 31:27).
4. A Godly woman has noble character. She has wisdom. She does not eat the bread of idleness. She plants vineyard. She takes care of people around not only her children.

Contemporary African Woman

The social direction in every society is chiefly dictated by the behaviour of women. In the olden days, to win the heart of a woman is a difficult task. She had standard then which bordered on so many things. A woman must look at your fineness of manner, orientation, sense of esthetics, speech mannerism which will of course expose your academic status before she get impressed. This was the standard set then for men in order to win their heart. These standards brought cohesion, order and balance in the society. Men were compelled to conform to this standard and deviants had complexes. At that time, an ideal man in a woman’s heart must have proven his manhood in so many ways, and when a girl

tells you that she was in love, she was not only sincere but can stand by you in time of adversity. This social atmosphere gave rise to a healthy competition and brought honest and orderly men who shaped society through hard work, ideas and innovation. It also helps to checkmate social vices like armed robbery and stealing. A thief was not only treated like an outcast but also excommunicated. It was anathema for a woman to associate with a thief. Order prevailed and gave rise to men who excelled in so many ways. In our present society, women have totally lost some of the essential values that can guarantee order in the societal system.

Money has become solely a measure for assessment of man. Little wonder our pages of newspapers are replete with all forms of criminal activities. Women taught that indecent dressing will get them husband. Men now use their weak character to intimidate them. The Bible says “He that finds a wife finds a good thing” but today, our women have turned it the other way round “She that finds a husband finds a good thing” what a shame! That is why most men use that opportunity to intimidate them and abuse them. Most women do not know anything or enough about marriage, that is why they rush in and rush out of marriage. That is why we have series of divorce. Our women no longer take care of their children especially the female ones. Most women pursue shadow, going after money to the detriment of their care for their home. Due to greed for money, most women have taken up responsibilities of men as the bread winner, even when their husbands are well to do. Women have and did not see anything wrong marrying more than one man. They prefer dating different men, breeding children for them. Women Why? God

in His infinite mercy made us special, why the misuse of the opportunity!

There are great women in the Bible that used their beauty and position and feminine power and tendencies to save their people. Women, why can't we imitate: Esther, Joan, Deborah etc. why must we be loose and cheap to get at? Why must we use our position and beauty to get men into trap and destroy our people? Why should women be so cheap to get, if not greed? Women shine your eyes! Why should women keep silent in this our decaying generation/society? God forbid!! Women arise and do the needful. Where did we get it wrong? (chi ewere ehihe jie!).

There is still hope. Let me remind us about what the Bible says in the book of 1 Corinthians 6:15-20

Know you not that your bodies are the members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ, and make them the members of an harlot? God forbid. What? Know ye not that he which is joined to a harlot is one body? For two, saith he, shall be one flesh. But he that joined unto the Lord is one Spirit. Flee fornication, every sin that a man doeth is without the body, but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body. What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, in your spirit, which are God's. (KJV)

Can we think deep concerning the above bible quotations? Where did we get it wrong? Do we dress seductively? Do we keep our body which is the temple of God holy? Do we hail and praise those that dress seductively? Do we give our children example of how to dress modestly? Do you know that children learn by seeing? Do you encourage your children to dress anyhow? Do you care to know the where about of your children? Do care to know their friends? Do you care to know the type of film they watch? How is your Christian life? Have you ever taught your children how to pray? Have you ever committed them into the hands of God? Do you know their needs? Do you encourage their greed?

Women, let us correct our wrongs. Although things seem to fall apart beyond repair, but we can still put things in order. A stitch in time saves nain. We can start this revolution with ourselves. Let us decide to do the right thing and shone fornication and immoral living. Let us be contempt of what we have. Let us take up our responsibilities. Have we forgotten the discipline our mothers impacted on us? Are we proud that the society is remolding the character of our daughters? Women, what we were known for has fallen! The prestige of women has been trampled upon and tampered with. If this present generation is like this, what will the next generation be like? Things are getting out of hand. Women arise and take up your position, take back your glory. Let us teach our children about incest so that such will be erased in our society. Women, arise and be in charge of your homes. Learn to pray and hold your family together. Teach your children the bitter truth concerning life and relationship.

Biblical View of Woman

Biblical view of a woman is as defined by the Bible. When God created two genders as it is written in the book of **Genesis 1:27**: “So God created man in His own image, in the image and likeness of God He created him; male and female he created them” (AMP) Also in **Genesis 5:2** it is written”Male and female created he them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created” (KJV). When the Pharisees came to tempt Jesus by asking him whether it is lawful for a man to divorce his wife for every cause, Jesus said in the book of **Matthew 19:4**: “And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female” (KJV).

He also instituted different roles for each gender when they sinned against God as it is written in the book of Genesis 3: 16-17:

Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee And unto Adam he said, because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life. (KJV)

He designed the bodies and brain of men and women to work differently and to fulfill complementary roles. A man does not need to act like a woman because he can never be a woman. He

can never process information like a woman, because his brain, his DNA, and his entire being are male. The same is true for women trying to be men. The quest for biblical womanhood begins in the same place that biblical manhood begins. Thus the book of **Galatians 3:28** states that “there is neither Jew nor Greek, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus” (NIV). In Christ, women have equal value and equal responsibility to obey and serve the Lord.

We were warned to keep our body holy and not to conform to the world as it is written in the book of **Romans 12:1-2**:

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that yr may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God (KJV)

One common error in discussing biblical womanhood is to mix cultural stereotypes with scriptural truth. This mistake has kept millions of women from pursuing their dreams and developing their gifts. Many pursuits or careers were considered “for men only,” and women were expected to stay at home and keep the house. However, biblical womanhood does not mean that every woman must conform to a societal standard of femininity. For some women, embracing their femininity will mean they pursue careers in medicine, construction, or law enforcement because God has gifted them to serve in those areas. For others, raising children and making a home is a fulfillment of their God given desires.

1 Peter 3:3-4 sheds some light on God's goals for biblical women thus:

Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as elaborate hairstyles and the wearing of gold jewelry or fine clothes/ rather, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight (NIV)

The Bible does not give similar instructions to men, which reveals God understanding of the women He created. He knows that women generally focus more on their outward appearance than most men do. He also knows that the physical beauty of a woman is often exploited, cheapened, and used for selfish ends. So He lets her know that her real beauty is not found there, on the outside. He wants women to dig more deeply to find the reflection of them that He placed inside them. The passage in **1 Peter** is not a condemnation of outward beauty but a redirection of focus. In the book of **Proverbs 31:31** it is written: "Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised". (NIV)

An attractive appearance quickly loses its appeal to those closest to a woman of poor character. But a woman who walks with God radiates the glory of God to everyone she meets. A woman who models biblical womanhood has a gentle and quiet spirit, but she can also lead a corporation, head a maintenance crew, or discover medical cures. In fact, as she allows the Holy Spirit to control her, God blesses her natural gifting to accomplish even more than she could if she tried to succeed in her own way. When a woman turns her attention to the beauty

of her soul, her attractiveness becomes a cause of her exaltation rather her exploitation. According to scripture, the wife's role is different from the husband's role, but not inferior. **Ephesians 5:22-23** is the passage most often quoted in regard to the wife's role:

“Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the savior”. (KJV)

However, we err when we treat this passage as a stand-alone commandment for women. It is sandwiched between even stronger commands to the church at large. Ephesians 5:18 begins this section with, “submit to one another out of reverence for Christ”.

The rest of the section instructs husbands to “love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her” (**Ephesians 5:25**). The command for wives is merely a reflection of the attitude that every believer should adopt (**Philippians 2:3**). When a godly husband loves his wife the way Christ loves the church, a godly wife has little difficulty in submitting to his leadership. Biblical womanhood is more than a career path or the ability to reproduce and nurture. Because every human being carries a unique facet of God's own nature (**Genesis 1:27**), we glorify Him by reflecting that nature to the world.

Women can reveal God's glory in ways unique to their gender, as can men in this confusing day when gender identity has

become a matter of preference, it is vital that those who know and love God and His word remain grounded in His truth. God designed men to reflect His glory through biblical manhood. He designed women to reflect other aspects of His glory through biblical womanhood. When we all seek to honour Him in every part of our lives, we will live harmoniously, fulfilling complementary roles as we carry out the mission Jesus gave all of us (**Matthew 28:19**).

Biblical View on the Way Women Should Dress

1Thimoty 2:9-10

I also want the women to dress modestly, with decency and propriety, adorning themselves, not with elaborate hairstyles or gold or pearls or expensive clothes, but with good deeds, appropriate for women who profess to worship God. (NIV)

The Apostle Paul instructed Timothy about how women should dress in the church. This probably did not confined to church only but also in public. The truest beauty is that of modesty, self-control, and godliness. Some of the most beautiful women in the world do not have to dress with braided hair, pearls, or costly attire, because they have the light of Christ that shines outwardly for all to see. Besides, beauty is passing away but inward beauty seems to grow with age.

Proverbs 31:30 “Charm is deceitful and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised”. (ESV) One thing that shows the outward beauty of a woman and the handsomeness of a man is the fear of the Lord. Whoever fears

the Lord is a person that lives a life that is pleasing to God and strives to live a godly example to those inside and outside of the church. One can go further to say that a woman who fears the Lord do not dress immodestly.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; for you were bought at a price. Therefore honour God with your bodies. (NIV)

As we glorify God in our bodies, we are dressing modestly and not causing others to stumble by the way we dress. If we dress indecently, we can cause some people to lust in their hearts and that is sin. However, we should give account of any soul we deceived or misled.

1 Peter 3:3 “Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as elaborate hairstyles and the wearing of gold jewelry or fine clothes”. (NIV) God looks at the heart and not so much at the outside. That does not mean you should be dirty but you must dress modestly. It is as a result of materialism and quest to look like others that make most women behave the way they do as well as dress the way they do. Beauty is never outward but always inward as far as God is concerned.

Romans 12:2 “Do not be conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is-his good, pleasing and perfect will”. (NIV)

A good and decent woman cannot swallow or accept whatever that comes her way. She must be selective bearing in mind what is decent and good for her to the Glory of God. All she has to do is to look at the fashions critically and pick the ones that will bring glory to God and pleasing and in conformity with the societal norms and values. **Proverbs 7:10** “And behold, the woman meets him, dresses as a prostitute, wily of heart”. (ESV)

When a woman dresses like a prostitute, she lures a man to herself which may lead to the sin of sexual immorality. My question now is, are women still what they are supposed to be; women of honour and decency? Do their behavior and dressing bring change to mankind? Do they attract respect to themselves or embracement? Women, it is time you think twice. **Matthew 5:7-9** “You have heard that it was said ‘you shall not commit adultery’, but I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart”. Can we cause someone to commit adultery without committing the actual physical act? Yes, because Jesus said that adultery of the heart is that which we can commit with our eyes because when we look at a man or a woman with lust, it is just like committing sex. But then most women do lure men to this act of adultery by the way they dress.

Women Arise and Take Back Your Glory Now

Women are addressed the way they dress. Is it not because they dress indecently that worthless men rape them? Is it not because they are not proud of their way of dressing that they use to feel shy and hid under a man to protect them? Is it not because they are not proud of their womanhood, the honour God endowed

on them that they still allow men to intimidate them? It is because they always feel guilty and will not allow anybody to remind them of their indecent and wayward life.

This is for all the ladies out there that are sick and tired of being treated as nothing more than an object for a man's needs and desires. The ladies out there that are tired of crying tainted tears of rejection and abandonment. Ladies out there who are desperately looking for their worth and are starting to realize it is not in the slap of her butt or the long-awaited touch by a busy man. No matter how women believe they have received an equal standing with men, the reality of the matter is: they are still seen as the weakest link, the worst drives, and as individuals whose place are at home cooking dinner and taking care of the children that they love but that they might have had before they were ready and had the opportunity to accomplish their dreams.

Unfortunately, due to their inability to see past the propaganda bombarded on top of them by the various outlets in the world today, they believe that the balance between women and men are even and that they no longer have to pay any mind to the whispering of an "Us vs Them" battle. That's why a woman can pack into a man's house to stay and become a cook for him and serve him at the detriment of her life and quality. Women always belittle themselves before men by making themselves cheap to men, attaching importance to men only hoping to get peanut money from them. If men can make it why can't women make it? You studied in the same university with men, still you feel inferior before the men. I can see a woman who is afraid of taking risk and making it. Is that's why women should dress

indecently just to get the favour of a man? No, women must arise and take back their glory. Women must be worthy of praise and respect as they are designed to be. Be proud of yourselves but not arrogant. Do not always be in the kitchen. Be humble and loyal and not coward. Shine your eyes and be decent.

There are many other avenues where women are still subject to abuse and rejection. It seems women are under the impression that they have to succumb to the ideal picture society-which is mostly dictated by men-set out for them to be. As a result, they take extreme and many times, dangerous measures to comply with this “ideal picture”. They have to look a certain way in order to be considered beautiful and worthy. They have to own certain things in order to be considered important. Most of all, they have to believe and think in a certain way in order to avoid being rejected and labeled as “odd”.

Women Arise Be Bold and Do the Needful

What has happened to the spirit of the lioness fighting to find her voice amidst the curses of the repelled man wanting to contain and imprison the wonder that is woman? What has happened to the unity they use to have as lioness, working towards a cause that is brighter for us all? Today, we would rather spend time criticizing and breaking each other down in order to feel better. Women would rather spend time begging a man to give them a few minutes of his time and attention, even if that means changing who they are in the process.

It is painful to see the level women have sunk to as roaring and influential individuals, but most of all, it is terrifying to watch how they have forgotten the legacy of the powerful women fighting for the “equality” they have today. Yet, the pivotal point that truly alarms me is the legacy women are leaving for their daughters, their sisters, their nieces-the generation of tomorrow. I look at what follows women and I am morbidly saddened-they are looking at women’s ways of doing and thinking, and they are naively and innocently repeating it.

Can women stand proud at the example they are giving them? Can women really stand blameless in the face of all the unwanted teen pregnancies and suicide-all the physical and emotional abuse that young women are suffering under today? Ladies, it is time to remember your worth. It is time to remember the roaring lioness that women are and that no one in their right mind would dare mess with. It is time that women stop their bickering and criticizing, come together in unity and teach the girls and the boys of tomorrow-which they are worthy and influential beyond measure. Women should teach them that there is absolutely nothing wrong or “faulty” with the way they look and act, that the thing that makes them stand out as unique individuals is also the thing that will make them an invincible force of nature. Women have to get out of their selfish bubble of comfort and start thinking about tomorrow. Let women not abandon the responsibility they have towards the future. Let women start arising with the knowledge that they are powerful forces of light made to demolish darkness. Women have a mission, a purpose-let them start to live it.

Our women do not care much of their homes. All they want is, quick, quick money which is good but not to the detriment of their family and right. They like parading along our streets just to show up, to expose their beauty. Most women do not value their body again. It is written “our body is the temple of God”, but all things being equal, the body that is supposed to be covered and keep holy has become something else. The body is now for commercial. They move to hotels and conspicuous places selling their body. They expose most valuable body of a woman which are; the breast and the buttocks. **The glory of women has gone.** It is no longer sin or evil to expose their body. It is now a custom and a must fashion that our young girls even married women keep. They do not see any evil in it. They seem comfortable being naked. They roomed about devouring our men, begging them to lie with them. It is no longer a shameful thing for a young girl to pack into a man’s house who is not her husband to live. Most mothers encourage that. They do not ask their young jobless daughters where they got the money they give to them. That is why men now use women and dump them. They use women as when and needed and drop them.

Women have sold their glory that men do not have regards for them, men talk to them anyhow and treat them anyhow. That does not mean that we do not have good and decent women. But women glories are sold out by the majority of evil women. **Our women have gone fashion crazy;**

- They fix eyes and look like witch/bussy cat.
- They fix nails and look like vulture
- They fix eye-lashes and look like an owl

- They fix buttocks and look like anti-hill
- They fix breast and look like patched dunlope
- They fix hairs and look like masquerades

Only few do all these with modesty. Two women can stand and fight over a man without shame. They now belong to different occult kingdoms. They now do dubious things like killing, stealing, smoking, drugs etc. The softness character of a woman is no longer there. Woman where is your glory? Is your glory in those evil you do? Is your glory in that nakedness? Is your glory in that reckless life living? Where is your glory? Stand up and get back to your position as God had wanted you to be and claim your position before men. Let women say no to intimidation and slavery. Let women know their right and be free.

Eisenhart A. et al (2001), states thus: “The social role of the mother differs between cultures. In many parts of the world, women with dependent children are expected to stay at home and dedicate all their energy to child raising, while in other places mothers most often return to paid work”. As a home maker and follower of Christ, women are called to look after and manage their household. The house is their domain and they are put in charge of creating a God glorifying atmosphere. The excellent wife in proverbs 31 manages her home. “She looks well to the way of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness” (Proverbs 31:27). Women can so easily get caught up in the daily mundane tasks of cook, cleaning, organizing and managing their home. But they should have Gospel intentionality and kingdom focus when they manage their home. How women run and manage their home has

profound influence over their lives, their children and their families. Putting a little effort and intentionality into their home making, organization, and management can go a long way in glorifying God in their home making.

Some Steps that Can Help Women Manage Their Home to Earn More Glory

- 1- Try to organize your home to make the home comfortable for the members of the family. A scattered home is a sign of a scattered mind. It's so much easier to be at peace and create a tranquil atmosphere when the house is not scattered. Spend some time to keep your home clean. You spend less time everyday looking for things and organizing the house. Keep your house in order and neat.

2. Do not be lazy. Even God hates laziness and an excellent

Woman, is described as it is written in the book of **Proverbs 31:27** thus: "She looks well to the ways of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness"

The excellent wife described in the Bible is not someone who is lazy! She looks over her household, perceives what needs to be done, and works hard at making a God-glorifying household. It is hard work but with God's help she can get it done!

Managing our homes with excellence will require that we are never idle... Idleness means we are doing nothing or not busy working. It suggests we are lazy or slothful. Idleness implies wasted time and pictures a person who is unemployed. This

picture is completely contrary to how scripture defines a woman's responsibility to her family and home. **Titus 2:5** calls women to be workers at home. They are to be employed at home. To be workers at home does not make a woman to be relegated to the ground rather it makes a woman to be more superior and worth and important than man

The woman in **Proverbs 31** is forever memorialized within scripture as being a wife of excellence!! We should always strive to be her. And she wasn't lazy! She worked hard and made sure her house was cared for. You will bring honour and glory to God when you work hard and serve Him!

3. Spend time with your kids, love your husband and remember that house work do not finish at a time. Engage your children in house work. Have time table for house work including cooking and menu. Have time for yourself and dress decently, manage your family well including your husband and his wealth.

Conclusion

Exposing sensitive parts of one's body do not make one big girl, rather it is indecency. Indecency is not a fashion; rather it is foolishness and a sin in the sight of God. No matter how innocent you are, as far as you dress indecently, people always see you as a fornicator and worthless. You are addressed as the way you dress. Sexual abuse is more to girls that do dress indecently. Our girls should strive to maintain their virginity. Virginity is a sign of purity and not sexual malfunction. Your virginity is supposed to be a present to your husband on your

wedding day and not a present to your boy friend at his birthday.

Females should not be treated as mere objects of sexual gratification rather they should be treated as respected instruments of God. The sensitive parts God gave you are not meant to be exposed and used for face book and magazine likes and comments or to gain more fans. That you do not have a boy friend does not make you less human and it does not mean you will run mad rather it will lure you into fornication and ruin. That you have sex with someone does not mean that he loves you rather he will marry you and will not even demand sex from you before marriage. The truth is that not everybody must marry. Once you keep yourself holy, you will get your own husband. Is it not because of women being desperate to marry that men use them as spare tyre. A man has as many girls as possible waiting to be replaced as he disposed the one with him. That is why we have many broken homes. Hardly can you see a marriage that last till end. What is the problem?

The quest to get quick wealth and being satisfied with what you have make some to jump into marriage not minding hw the man acquired the wealth/ women forced themselves to men because of the mentality that men should provide for them without knowing that they have the ability to make wealth better than men.

We can cause others to stumble by the way we dress and God will hold us accountable for the way we appear to others. God knows our hearts. In **Jeremiah 17:9** it is written: “the heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked who can know it?” (KJV) and that sin begin when we are caught up in

our own lusts and then that lust conceives sin. Sinning outwardly is just as bad as sinning inwardly. God sees it all as the author of Hebrew writes, "Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do". (KJV) **(Hebrew 4:13)**. We will also give account of our homes. Women have often been deceived into thinking that beauty is about how they look or what they wear, their clothing, jewelry or hair style. And this idea of lavish dressing makes them forget their real call and job. They now become slaves to modeling and fashion. Women must wake up and be what they are created to be.

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