

# *Great Women of the Bible*



# Introduction

*Welcome to another series presented by BibleLessonConnection! This 8-week series, [Great Women of the Bible](#), is sure to be one that enlightens and inspires both our sisters and our brothers.*

*The goal of our study of the Great Women we meet in the Bible is to take the legacy that they have left and apply their life experiences to our own lives. Because that is our focus, men will find this series of lessons to be extremely beneficial as well. Most men have learned a thing or two from watching how their mothers and grandmothers handled the ups and downs of life! I know I have learned a lot from the women in my family.*

*As we begin, I want to challenge our sisters to invite another sister to join our website and study these lessons too. I think you will find it helpful to discuss and email your thoughts to others regarding what you have learned as we venture into the lives of some of the Women that God wanted us to meet through scripture...*

# *Reflection Reading*

## *Qualities of a Woman of Noble Character*

Proverbs 31: 10-31

What does this passage in the Bible tell us about womanhood? What does the Word of God tell us about being a wife?

# *Qualities of a Woman of Noble Character*

- **Women should seek to possess these qualities**
- **Men should seek to marry women who possess these qualities**
  - Her husband has full confidence in her (he knows she is loyal to him)
  - She works in the best interest of her husband
  - She is a hardworker
  - She is smart with money
  - She is caring and compassionate
  - She takes good care of her household
  - Her husband is respected
  - She is an entrepreneur
  - She dresses well
  - She speaks with wisdom and gives good advice
  - She is not lazy
  - Her children and her husband respect her
  - She fears the Lord
  - She is worthy to receive praise

*That's a tall order for our sisters...but it is the example that the Word of God gives us...*

***Remember that our women should strive to have these qualities and our men should seek these qualities in a wife...***

*Think of a person who you consider to be “Great”. What are some of the things that makes a person “Great”?*



# A *Great* Person

- Dedication to God
- Attitude
- Character
- Accomplishments
- Strengths
- Acknowledges and Overcomes Weaknesses
- Overcomes Adversity
- Love and Compassion for Others
- Service

*Do you have to be near perfect to  
be considered **Great**?*

*Of course not, Great people have flaws too...  
The Women we will study in this series have  
flaws...but they are still Great because of the  
**legacy** they have left behind  
for us to learn from...*

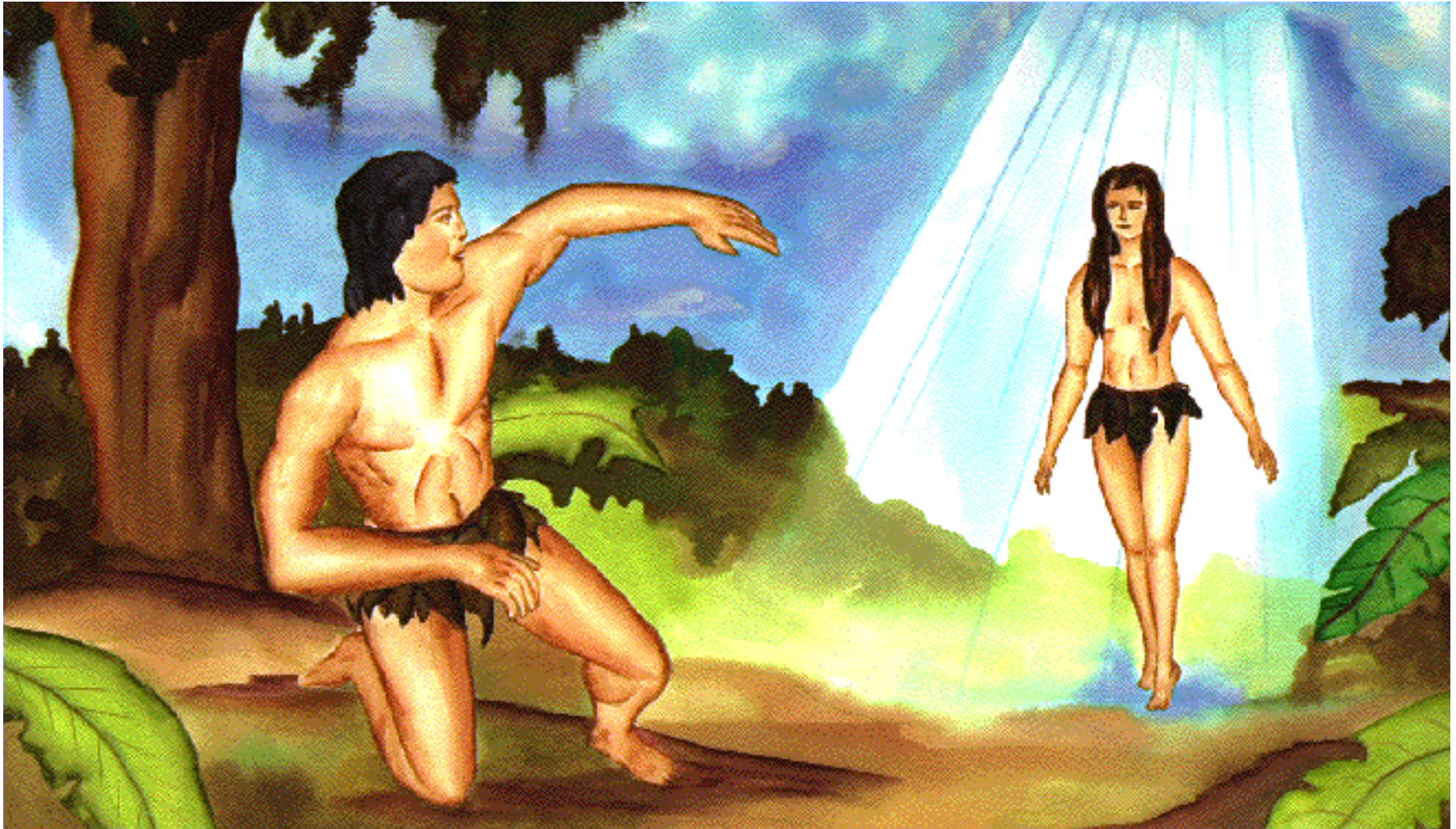
***We are dealing with big issues today and the female Bible characters the Lord wanted us to meet through scripture can help us better deal with the issues we are presented with...***

*The First Woman of the Bible that  
we will study is...**Eve.***

*Eve is really the “First Lady” of the World.*

*What do you already know about Eve and  
what do you think of her?*

*Eve Appears in  
The Garden of Eden  
Genesis 2: 4-25*



***1) Based upon scripture, why did God create man? 2) Why did God create woman? 3) What does this tell us about the roles for man and woman?***

# ***God Created Man and Woman...***

- Genesis 2: 5 *...and there was no man to work the ground*
- Genesis 2: 7 *...the Lord God formed the man from the dust of the ground*
  - In part, man was created to **Work...**
- Genesis 2: 20 *...but for Adam no suitable helper was found*
- Genesis 2: 22 *...the Lord God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man*
  - Woman was created to be of **Help** to the man...

# *The Bible Defines Roles for Men and Women*

- According to scripture, a man is responsible for **working and providing**.
- According to scripture, a woman should be of **help** to the man.
- The two should be **united** in their goals and function as **one**.
  - Genesis 2: 21-25

# Adam and Eve

- God could have created woman from the dust of the ground, but instead He chose to create her from Adam's rib. *What message is the Lord sending us by creating woman from man?*
- Verse 22 says that, the Lord *brought her to the man*. What does this action by the Lord symbolize?
  - *Could it be that Eve was given to Adam as a gift?*
- *Bones of my bones, Flesh of my flesh... What does that really mean?*

## ***Eve was meant to be a blessing...***

- Eve was created from his rib. She was a part of him. The Lord intended for Adam and Eve to be **unified**. Adam was to love his wife...to cherish her...to protect her. The Lord intended Eve to be a **gift**...a helper...a companion for her husband.
- The Lord gave us Adam and Eve as an example of how he intended for us to function in a marriage.
- **Marriages get off track** when either the man or the woman does not function in the union as God intended...



*Wise Sayings for Men and Women...*  
*The Word of God Speaks and Gives Us Wisdom...*

- Proverbs 18: 22
- Proverbs 21: 9
- Proverbs 21: 19
- 2 Thessalonians 3: 10
- Ephesians 5: 22-23
- Ephesians 5: 25
- Ephesians 5: 31

# What We Learn from Scripture

- Finding a wife is a **blessing**
- The wife should seek to **support and build up** her husband and not tear him down
- The man has a responsibility to **work**
- **The husband is head of the wife.** Wives should submit to their husbands
- **Husbands should love their wives** and be willing to sacrifice for them
- **Husbands and wives should be united as one** and their union should take on a priority over other human relationships

*The Relationship Between Man and Woman  
Was Intended to be **Extraordinary!***



# Next Week...

***A Closer Look at Eve.*** *What is her legacy? What did the Lord intend for us to learn from Eve's life?*