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DAILY DOCTRINE

Woman: Inner Beauty

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1. What you think cannot be seen (male or female), but the result of what you think is apparent.
2. Note how God's emphasis in 1 Peter 3:3-4 is on the inner life:

1 Peter 3:3-4 And let not your adornment be *merely* external-- braiding the hair, and wearing gold jewelry, or putting on dresses; ⁴ but *let it be* the hidden person of the heart, with the imperishable quality of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is precious in the sight of God.

3. If a wife depends upon her outer attractiveness to appeal to a negative husband (or anyone else) and excludes inner beauty, she cannot be a good witness to him (or anyone else) for Christ.

1 Peter 3:1 In the same way, you wives, be submissive to your own husbands so that even if any *of them* are disobedient to the word, they may be won without a word by the behavior of their wives,

4. When the woman stays under the filling of the Holy Spirit she is adorned with inner beauty of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, divine goodness, faith, humility and self-control (Gal. 5:22-23), which eliminates the sin problems of jealousy, lack of hatred, lack of bitterness, envy, implacability, and self-pity.
5. Part of a woman's inner beauty is her love for her husband. It is a beautiful thing to behold a woman loving and honoring her husband.
6. Inner beauty survives the attacks of time while exterior beauty is corruptible and destroyed by time.
7. The Bible tells us the *emphasis* should not be on the outer appearance to the exclusion of inner beauty. A wife should always prioritize her inner beauty over outer beauty.
8. There is no prohibition on outward appearance (you are not more spiritual if you do not wear makeup and look like a ghost), but if you are beautiful on the outside and have bitterness, hatred, envy, jealousy on the inside, there is no impact for Christ on the unbelieving or negative husband (as per 1 Pet. 3:1) or anyone else.
9. Inner beauty is in the mind: what you think. Inner beauty is ageless.

10. A woman cannot win her unbelieving or negative husband to the Lord apart from inner beauty which is accomplished through filling of the Holy Spirit and knowledge of doctrine—the grace life.

11. The woman's inner beauty is her charm, 1 Tim 2:9, 10, 15.

1 Timothy 2:9 Likewise, *I want* women to adorn themselves with proper clothing, modestly and discreetly, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly garments;

1 Timothy 2:10 But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.

1 Timothy 2:15 But *women* shall be preserved through the bearing of children if they continue in faith and love and sanctity with self-restraint.

12. Doctrinal women have the potential to be the most beautiful women in the world if they live out the spiritual life.

13. Women who reject doctrine will attach their self-esteem to outer beauty, and will only become more desperate and frantic (and uglier on the inside) as they grow older and more bitter.

14. The doctrinal woman who follows the Lord will be protected from a negative or unbelieving husband. She must always put the Lord first. No one ever loses by putting the Lord first.

15. The wife lives under the authority of two lords: her heavenly lord Jesus Christ and her earthly lord, her husband. She is never to obey her earthly lord if that means going against her heavenly lord.

16. The wife who rejects doctrine and the spiritual life becomes withdrawn or contentious (you know the word), and extremely difficult to live with.

Proverbs 21:9 It is better to live in a corner of a roof, Than in a house shared with a contentious woman.

Proverbs 21:19 It is better to live in a desert land, Than with a contentious and vexing woman.

Proverbs 27:15 A constant dripping on a day of steady rain And a contentious woman are alike;

17. The wife who lives out the principles of Bible doctrine is a beautiful sight to behold:

1 Peter 3:2 as they observe your chaste and respectful behavior. ³ And let not your adornment be *merely* external-- braiding the hair, and wearing gold jewelry, or putting on dresses; ⁴ but *let it be* the hidden person of the heart, with the imperishable quality of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is precious in the sight of God. ⁵ For in this way in former times the holy women also, who hoped in God, used to adorn themselves, being submissive to their own husbands. ⁶ Thus Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord, and you have become her children if you do what is right without being frightened by any fear.

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