

A Portrait of Excellence "Mother's Day 2010" Proverbs 31:10-31

CONNECTING

1. Welcome and opening prayer.
2. Introduce any guests.
3. If you were to write a description of an ideal wife and mother, what would you say?



LOVING ONE ANOTHER (Deepening Spiritual Growth)



1. Read Proverbs 31:10-31. What is your initial impression of this woman?
 2. What qualities are most often mentioned?
 3. What responsibilities does this woman have?
- What is the sphere of her influence?
4. Think of someone you know who is like this woman. In what ways are the two alike? different?
 5. What resources does this woman work with?
 6. How does the woman's reputation compare with that of her husband?
 7. How would you describe this woman's relationship with her husband and family?
 8. What is the secret of the woman's praiseworthy life?
 9. Is this woman's success the standard for all married women? For you? Why?

10. How important is work in making life meaningful? Explain.

11. What is this woman's lasting investment?

What is yours?

12. At the end of your life, what do you want people to say about you?

SEEKING GOD (Drawing Near to God)



1. Conversational prayer is a very effective way to pray in a small group. It is a prayer that unites people in conversation with God and with each other. Like normal conversations, anyone can speak (pray) as many times as they wish and several people will often pray in agreement for the same request. (Begin your time by praising God for who He is and what He has done.)
2. Consider praying an application prayer, "Lord, help me to do _____(what you have show me during this study)?"

SHARING CHRIST (Declaring the Good News)



1. During the past month, how have you sought to build relationships with those on your Prayer, Care and Share in order to direct them toward a personal relationship with Jesus Christ?
2. What activities might we do as a group or with another ministry of our church in order to reach out to our unsaved friends?

SERVING OTHERS (Demonstrating God's Love)



1. God has called us to serve one another within the church and together to serve those within the community. What effect does it have when Christians demonstrate God's love through simple but tangible acts of service to those who do not yet know Jesus Christ personally?
 - o Volunteer for 2nd Harvest Food Distribution, the fourth Friday of each month. Call Dean Van Der Werf 763-561-0146, derwerf@comcast.net or sign-up online www.brooklynparkchurch.org/2harvest.