

# Lesson 17 What Femininity Is Not



Rejoicing in God's Good Design



# God's Good Design—Review

## MEN

What is masculinity?

Benevolent  
**STRENGTH**



exerts itself in the hard work of

**Leading  
Proving  
Protecting**

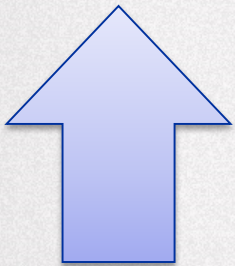


# God's Good Design—Review

How does one become masculine?

**GOD**

SUBMISSION  
to



**MAN**



Embrace God-given responsibility

**OTHERS**



# God's Good Design—Review

## WOMEN

What is femininity?

Gentle  
SUBMISSIVENESS



exerts itself in

Receiving  
Supporting  
Cultivating  
Strength in others

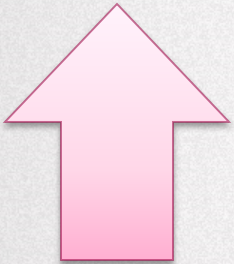


# God's Good Design—Review

How does one become feminine?

**GOD**

SUBMISSION  
to



**WOMAN**



God-given role: helper, companion, nurturer

**OTHERS**



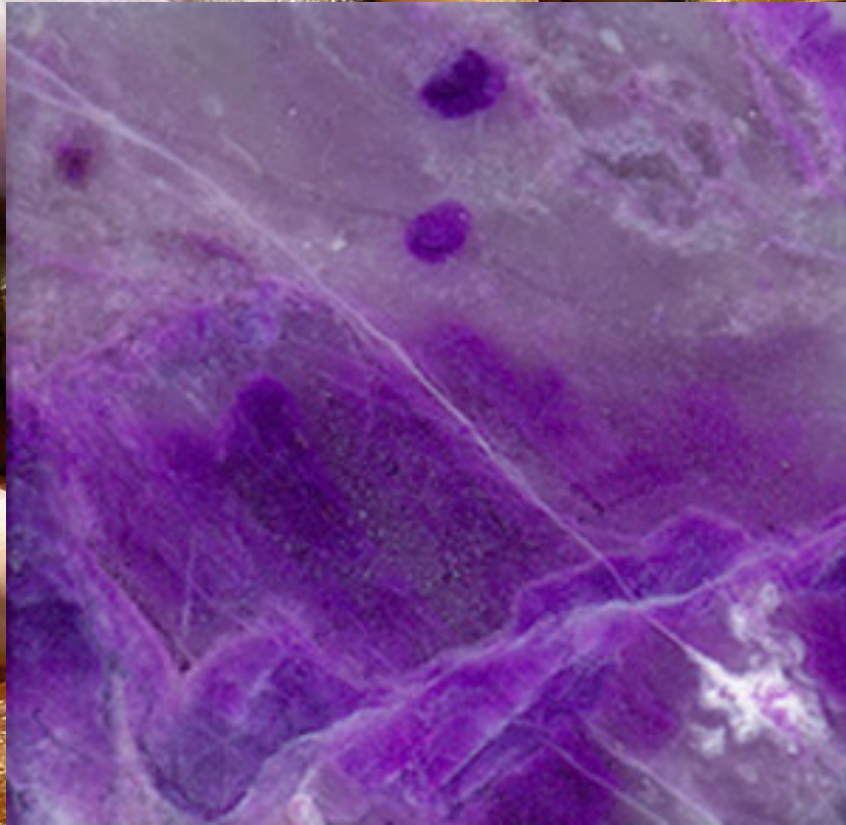
# Proverbs 31: An Excellent Wife

This woman is NOT:

- Passive
- Weak
- Frail
- Without significant responsibility, ability, or ambitions
- Always ordered around
- Without thought or opinion



# Illustration: Royal Lavualite



A truly feminine  
woman: uncommon  
and precious



# A Truly Feminine Woman Honors and Reveres God

Proverbs 31:30

True beauty = beauty that is internal and lasting



A beautiful  
heart honors  
and fears  
God



# A Truly Feminine Woman Is Strong, Not Weak

Women are not to embrace or nurture weakness.

Woman are to embrace and cultivate distinctly  
feminine personal strength.





# A Truly Feminine Woman Is Strong, Not Weak



Feminine strength is connected with fearlessness.

By fearing and trusting in the Lord, she is able to “laugh at the time to come.”

The fearless, inner strength of a woman leads to fearless and strong actions.



# A Truly Feminine Woman Is Trustworthy, Not Manipulative

A truly feminine woman is  
completely trustworthy

Her speech is wise, kind  
and true.





# A Truly Feminine Woman Is Trustworthy, Not Manipulative

UNDER HEADSHIP

Complete  
trust and  
confidence  
in her by  
those over  
her



Great  
responsibility  
because of her  
trustworthiness

FEMININE WOMAN



# A Truly Feminine Woman Is Hard-Working, Not Lazy or Unproductive



Biblical femininity is. . .

NOT involved in wasteful pursuits

BUT hard-working, active, and productive



# A Truly Feminine Woman Is Generous and Kind, Not Selfish

True femininity works to alleviate pain and suffering and misery, and loves to make the world a better place for those who are hurting.

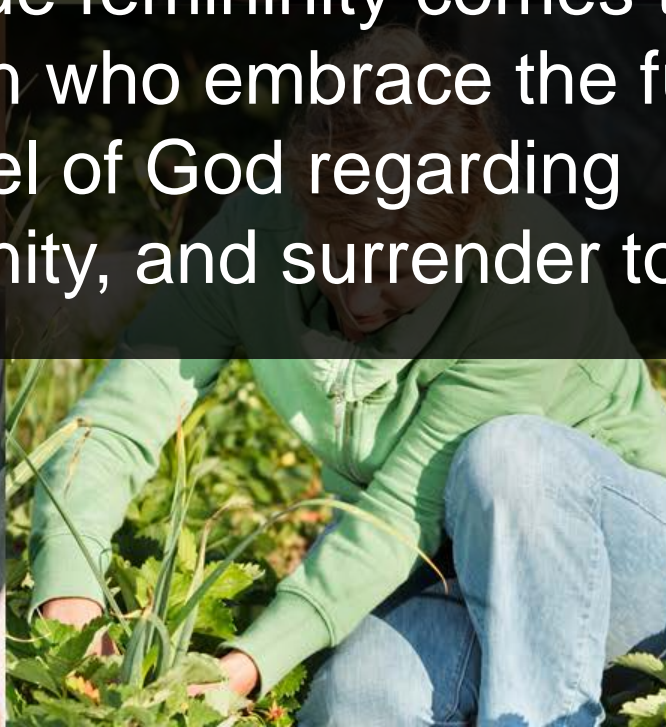




# A Truly Feminine Woman Takes Care of Her Family, Not Just Herself








True freedom comes in  
absolute submission to Christ,  
and true femininity comes to  
women who embrace the full  
counsel of God regarding  
femininity, and surrender to it.









**This curriculum includes images from Thinkstock © 2011, and its licensors, which are protected by the copyright laws of the U.S., Canada, and elsewhere. Used under license. Images for this PowerPoint® show supplied by:**

Polished Stones (slide background): iStockphoto/Thinkstock  
Family Praying (slide 3): Stockbyte/Thinkstock  
Couple with Ladder (slide 5): Ableimages/Photodisc/Thinkstock  
Three Generations (slides 8, 16): Comstock/Thinkstock  
Military Widow (slides 9-10, 16): iStockphoto/Thinkstock  
Grandma Reading (slides 11, 16): iStockphoto/Thinkstock  
Berry Picking (slides 13, 16): iStockphoto/Thinkstock  
Comforting Friends (slides 14, 16): Bananastock/Thinkstock  
Bandaging Scrape (slides 15-16): Jupiterimages/Creatas/Thinkstock





**Copyright © 2011 by Gary Steward and Next Generation Resources, Inc. Illustrations Truth78. All rights reserved.**

**Scripture quotations are from The Holy Bible, English Standard Version, copyright © 2001 by Crossway Bibles, a division of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved.**

**This publication includes images from GettyImages/Thinkstock Corporation © 2011, and its licensors. Used under license.**

**Truth78  
info@Truth78.org  
www.Truth78.org**