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Wise Woman

ARISE AND BUILD

Neh. 2:20

“How the Wise Woman Will Arise and Build”

Neh. 2:20 Then answered I them, and said unto them, The God of heaven, he will prosper us; therefore **we his servants will arise and build**: but ye have no portion, nor right, nor memorial, in Jerusalem.

Review

This morning we will stay with our theme, *Arise and Build*, but we will take another break from the Book of Nehemiah and focus our attention on...

Mother's Day 2019

Prov. 14:1 **Every wise woman buildeth her house**: but the foolish plucketh it down with her hands.

"How the Wise Woman Will Arise and Build"

Today is Mother's Day 2019. In the early 20th century, a woman named Ann M. Jarvis was holding a memorial service for her departed mother. It was at the service that Anna realized that her mother had silently labored all of her life in order to provide for her.

She began to campaign for a day to remember and honor mothers, and, by an act of Congress, the first Mother's Day was celebrated on May 9th of 1914.

It was upon this event that President Woodrow Wilson declared that the second Sunday each May would be Mother's Day.

<https://christianmediamagazine.com/6-sermon-illustrations-for-mothers-day/>



The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world.

William Ross Wallace

 quote fancy

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Salary.com has published an attempt to calculate... A MOTHER'S SALARY

Moms: We know you're worth it. But how much is "it" really worth?

Putting a price tag on a priceless job is hard to do, but we gave it a shot anyway. On Mother's Day, Salary.com, the leader in compensation data, planning and analytics, would like to honor all the Moms out there who work their hardest day-in and day-out. We would like to recognize both professional and stay-at-home Moms on their unwavering dedication to their families and other responsibilities.

We selected a handful of jobs that reflect a day in the life of a Mom, and using Salary.com's Salary Wizard we uncovered that the medium annual salary of a mother is **\$162,581**— rising nearly \$5,000 from our 2017 calculations.

Annual salary of a mother in 2018:

\$162,581



Thanks for all you do from all of us at Salary.com.
Your work ethic does not go unnoticed or unappreciated.

Example hybrid role:

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| Academic Advisor | Judge/Magistrate |
| Accountant | Laundry Manager |
| Art Director | Logistics Analyst |
| Athletic Director | Maintenance Supervisor |
| Bookkeeper | Marketing Manager |
| Buyer | Network Administrator |
| CEO | Photographer |
| Coach | Plumber |
| Day Care Center Teacher | Public School Teacher |
| Dietitian | Psychologist |
| Education | Recreational Therapist |
| Event Planner | Staff Nurse – RN/Life coach |
| Executive Housekeeper | Social media |
| Facilities Director | Tailor |
| Groundskeeper | Tax Accountant |
| Interior Designer | Teacher Vocational |
| Janitor, SR. | Work/Life Program Manager |

Past earnings:



The value of motherhood = PRICELESS!

This morning, we want to honor mothers by going to the Word of God and considering what the Bible states about a mother “building her home.” Our theme this year is “Arise and Build.” We will begin in Prov. 14:1, and consider...

“How the Wise Woman Will Arise and Build”

Prov. 14:1 **Every wise woman buildeth her house:** but the foolish plucketh it down with her hands.

I. THE COMMONALITY OF OPPORTUNITY “Every wise woman...”

A. The Comprehensiveness – “Every...”

- ❖ The opportunity to arise and build a home is available to all who pursue it.

B. The Caveat – “...wise woman...”

- ❖ Those who pursue the opportunity and achieve success must be “qualified” as one who is a “...wise woman...”

Psa. 49:3 **My mouth shall speak of wisdom**; and **the meditation of my heart shall be** of understanding.

Prov. 1:20 Wisdom crieth without; **she** uttereth her voice in the streets:

Prov. 9:1 **Wisdom hath builded her house**, she hath hewn out her seven pillars:

- ❖ A wise woman is one who puts forth a tireless effort to build her home.

II. THE COMMITMENT OF OPERATION, “...buildeth her house...”

A. The Wise Woman Takes the Initiative – “...buildeth...”

Original Word: בָּנָה

Transliteration: banah

Phonetic Spelling: (baw-naw')

Definition: to build

<https://biblehub.com/hebrew/1129.htm>

❖ The first three times this Hebrew word is used, is found in the following three references:

Gen. 2:22 And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, **made he a woman**, and brought her unto the man.

Gen. 4:17 And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he **builded a city**, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch.

Gen. 8:20 And Noah **buildded an altar** unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar.

B. The Wise Woman Transcends Individuality – “...her house...”

- ❖ Her life is not focused only about herself.
- ❖ Her life is lived for others.

Pro 31:10 **Who can find a virtuous woman?** for her price *is* far above rubies.

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21 She is not afraid of the snow **for her household**: for **all her household** *are* clothed with scarlet.

27 She looketh well to **the ways of her household**, and eateth not the bread of idleness.

III. THE CONTRAST OF OBLITERATION, “...the foolish plucketh it down with her hands.”

A. The Faulty Character – “...the foolish...”

Prov. 12:23 A prudent man concealeth knowledge: but **the heart of fools proclaimeth foolishness.**

Prov. 14:8 The wisdom of the prudent *is* to understand his way: but **the folly of fools is deceit. ...**

17 **He that is soon angry dealeth foolishly:** and a man of wicked devices is hated. ...

24 The crown of the wise *is* their riches: *but* **the foolishness of fools is folly.**

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29 **He that is slow to wrath is of great understanding:** but *he that is* hasty of spirit exalteth folly.

Prov. 15:2 The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright: but **the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness. ...**

21 Folly is joy to *him that is* destitute of wisdom: but a man of understanding walketh uprightly.

Prov. 19:3 **The foolishness of man perverteth his way:** and **his heart fretteth against the LORD.**

Prov. 24:9 **The thought of foolishness is sin:** and the scorner *is* an abomination to men.

Prov. 26:11 As a dog returneth to his vomit, **so a fool returneth to his folly.**

B. The Familial Carnage – “...plucketh it down with her hands.

Psa. 11:3 **If the foundations be destroyed,** what can the righteous do?

1 Kings 18:30 And Elijah said unto all the people, Come near unto me. And all the people came near unto him. And he repaired **the altar of the LORD that was broken down.**

Prov. 11:11 By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted: but it is **overthrown by the mouth of the wicked.**

IV. THE CHARACTER OF OBLIGATION

A. The Wise Woman's Beauty is Within

Pro 31:10 **Who can find a virtuous woman?** for her price *is* far above rubies.

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25 **Strength and honour *are* her clothing;** and she shall rejoice in time to come.

- ❖ Who she “is” (inwardly – “strength and honour”) affects what she does.
- ❖ Who she “is” will affect who she becomes and accomplishes in the future – “...she shall rejoice in time to come.”

B. The Wise Woman's Behavior is Without

Prov. 31:26 **She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue *is* the law of kindness.**

Psa. 19:14 **Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD,** my strength, and my redeemer.

❖ The behavior of the wise woman reflects her character and heart.

Psa. 49:3 **My mouth shall speak of wisdom;** and **the meditation of my heart shall be** of understanding.

Prov. 16:23 **The heart of the wise teacheth his mouth,** and addeth learning to his lips.

Mt. 12:34 O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for **out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.**

Mt. 15:18 But **those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart;** and they defile the man.

- ❖ The quality of any woman's house will become a reflection of her heart, be it good or bad:

Luke 6:45 A good man **out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good**; and an evil man **out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil**: for **of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh**.

- ❖ The wise woman will “arise and build” her house, following her heart for the glory of God.

1 Cor. 10:31 Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or **whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God**.

Conclusion

Prov. 31:28 Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband *also*, and he praiseth her. ...

30 Favour *is* deceitful, and beauty *is* vain: *but* a woman *that* feareth the LORD, she shall be praised.

31 Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.