

*From Proverbs 31 why does the passage make it look like wives are the ones with heavier jobs? Why does Proverbs 31 say that wives are applauded for staying up late and waking up early but men aren't commanded to do the same? Since both the husband and the wife both provided for their home, why are men allowed to rest at home when he comes back to work but women can't do the same? I'm having a hard time seeing how it's fair for men to only have to work while women have to take care of the house and also work.*

The Proverbs 31 describes God's advice for choosing a godly wife (Pr 31:10–31). She can be found; but she is rare (Ru 3:11, Pr 12:4, 18:22).

The Bible describes: her worth (31:10, 25, 29), her works (31:13–22, 24, 27), her wisdom (31:26), her witness (31:11–12, 23, 28, 31) and her worship (31:30).

After the fall (Ge 3:1–5) women suffered pain in childbirth and were ruled by their husbands (Ge 3:16). Men endured wearisome labor and eventually died physically (Ge 3:17-19).<sup>1</sup>

Adam and Eve broke fellowship with the Lord (Ge 3:8) and all the world groans because of it (Ro 8:22). But God promised to make all things right (Ge 3:15, 20–21). A Savior would defeat Satan (Ge 3:15).

Husbands and wives will one day act as God intended—loving (Eph. 5:25–33), honoring and cherishing one another (1 Pet 3:7).

God has loved his creation (Tt 3:4).

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<sup>1</sup> Willmington, H. L. (1999). The Outline Bible (Ge 3:14–19). Wheaton, IL: Tyndale House Publishers.