Beauty Within

Mountain View Corps, British Columbia

Chorus

Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me; All His wonderful passion and purity, O, Thou Spirit Divine, All my nature refine 'Till the beauty of Jesus be seen in me.

Season of Prayer

Spend a brief time on each element: sentence prayers of adoration; quiet individual prayers of confession; one voluntary voiced prayer of thanksgiving; naming of items of concern or individuals for the petition element. The corresponding verse of Scripture could be read in between prayer elements.

The ACTS of Prayer

- A-Adoration. Praise the Lord, o my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. (Psalms 103:1)
- **C Confession.** If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. (I John 1:9)
- T Thanksgiving. Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. (I Thessalonians 5:18)
- S- Supplication. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. (Philippians 4:6)

Bible study: A Woman of Beauty

Proverbs 31: 10-31 (selected verses)

While some may see in this description of the ideal woman the 'Martha Stewart' of



the Bible, we must look beyond what this woman does and accomplishes, to who she really is. We must see the beauty of her character, her personhood, and discover in her a picture of Christ. She is a woman of 'noble character,' (v10) which we can interpret as a woman of holiness — her beauty ultimately rooted in her relationship with God.

Key verse — 30

Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.

Discuss and compare outward and inner beauty — the physical and the spiritual elements.

Verse of promise — 31

Give her the reward she has earned, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.

What is the reward? What do 'her works' represent? What role does public praise play? Is it important?

To contemplate: How do I compare to this woman? Does my life reflect the beauty of Jesus, full of the fruit of the Spirit?

Discover the Attribute of Behaviour		
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For Discussion Compare her attributes with the Fruit of the Spirit listed in Galatians 5:22		
Love		
Joy		
Peace _		
Patience		
Kindness		
Goodness		
Faithfulnes	S	
Gentleness		
Self-control	I	