

## Chapter 2




 Her price is far above rubies.

 She is worth far more than jewels.

 Her price is greater than pearls.

In proverbs chapter 31:10, the writer compares the value of the virtuous woman with the price of rubies . The ruby was one of the stones in the high priest's breastplate of judgement (Ex. 28:17). The price of a virtuous woman is said to be "far above rubies" (Prov. 31:10). The exact meaning of the 'Hebrew word' is uncertain. Some render it "red coral;"others,"pearl"or "mother-of-pearl and some translated as Jewels. Any way the price of the virtuous woman is more than rubies or jewels.

There are different kinds of precious and semi precious stones in the market today in different color, shape, and quality. Some gems are most valuable because of their rarity. Gems value is vary from depends upon its rarity ,colour, hardness, cutting , polishing , shape and on optical properties. Stones such as diamonds, rubies, and emeralds represent one of the greatest concentrations of money value today and the pearl is another precious gem. The real natural pearls are very rare and valuable and admirable. It's different from all other stones. " Pearls are known as the "Queen of Gems.

 All gems are beautiful and valuable. Among Gemstones, rubies are called as " ratnaraj, or "king of precious stones" and ratnanayaka, "leader of precious stones." and one of the most impressive gemstones in the world. It is the most precious and extensively used in crowns and jewelry of Kings, Queens and Emperors of many nations. It has been regarded as a symbol of wisdom, wealth, strength ,charity, dignity and divine power. Ruby is deep red. which is often described as "pigeon's-blood". The perfect ruby is very rare and more valuable, than diamond. According to geological engineers , a highest-quality three-carat

ruby is worth about ten times as much as a diamond of the same size and quality. Today a perfect ruby is five times the value of a diamond of the same size and quality, while rubies without flaw or blemish, and of the true pigeon-blood variety, are so rare and valuable ten times the value of a perfect diamond.

Gems



Pearls












Ruby

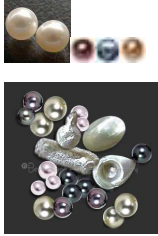

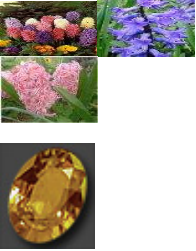







Let us see some more other gems below. It's color may not be exact.

<u>Ruby</u>	<u>Jasper</u>	<u>Sapphire</u>	<u>Chalcedony</u>	<u>Sardius</u>	<u>Chrysolite</u>	<u>Carbuncle</u>
		 <p>polished</p> <p>rough</p>	 	 <p>Gold</p>	 	

<u>Emerald</u>	<u>Sardonyx</u>	<u>Beryl</u>	<u>Topaz</u>	<u>Chrysoptase</u>	<u>Agate</u>

		 	 	 	 
			polished rough	polished rough	

<u>Pearl</u>	<u>Opal</u>	<u>Coral</u>	<u>Jacinth</u> <u>Hyacinth</u> <u>flower colored.</u>	<u>Diamond</u>	<u>Amythist</u>
					
<u>Opaque</u> 					Polished Amythist.  Rough Amythist. 

In bible in many portions mentioned about precious stones and pearls .

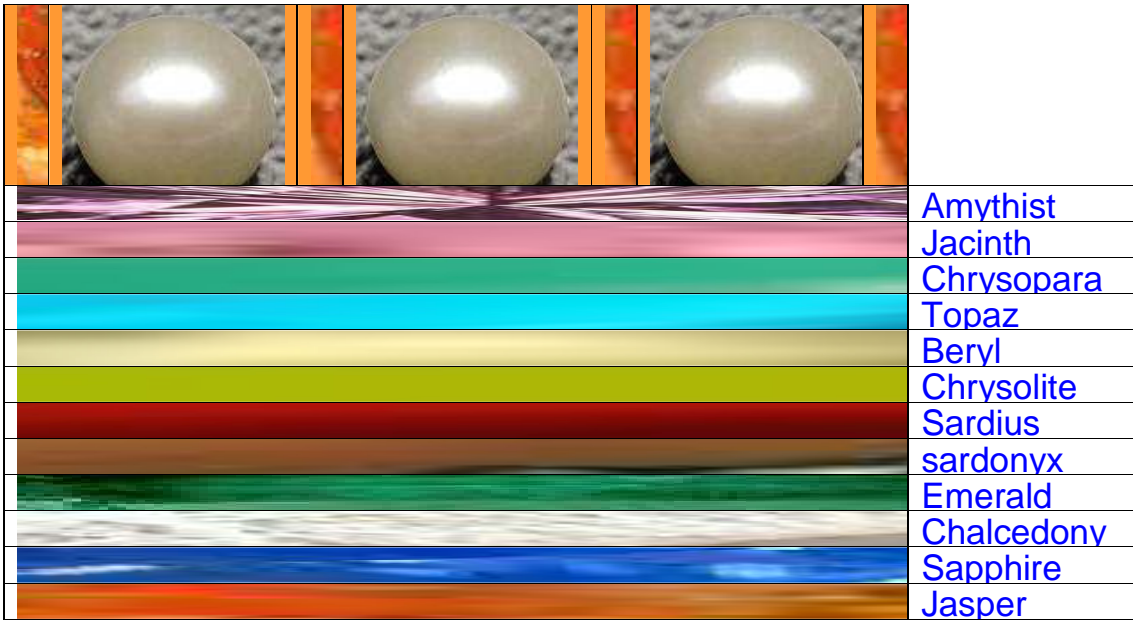


1. Revelations 21:16-21

The foundations of the wall of the city were adorned with all manner of precious stones. Here mentioned the name of 12 precious stones. The gates represented

the twelve tribes, [Revelation 21:12](#); and these foundations , the twelve apostles, [Revelation 21:14](#). The wall was made of jasper, and the city of pure gold, as pure as glass, The foundations of the city walls were decorated with every kind of precious stone. The first foundation was jasper, The second sapphire, The third chalcedony, The fourth emerald, The fifth sardonyx, The sixth Sardius, The seventh chrysolite, The eighth beryl, The ninth topaz, The tenth chrysoprase, The eleventh jacinth, The twelfth amethyst. The twelve gates were twelve pearls, each gate made of a single pearl. The great street of the city was of pure gold, like transparent glass.

Imagination of The foundations of the wall of the city.



 2 Ex. 28:15-20, [Exodus 39:9 – 14](#)

The breastplate of judgment: "You shall make the breastplate of judgment. Artistically woven according to the workmanship of the ephod you shall make it: of gold, blue, purple, and scarlet thread, and fine woven linen, you shall make it. "It shall be doubled into a square: a span shall be its length, and a span shall be its width. "And you shall put settings of stones in it, four rows of stones: The first row shall be a sardius, a topaz, and an emerald; this shall be the first row; "the second row shall be a turquoise, a sapphire, and a diamond; "the third row, a jacinth, an

agate, and an amethyst; "and the fourth row, a beryl, an onyx, and a jasper. They shall be set in gold settings.

Precious stones In the Breastplate of Aaron . They set in it four rows of stones:

Sardius	Topaz	Carbuncle(ruby)
Emerald	Sapphire	Diamond
Ligure	Agate	Amethyst
Beryl	Onyx	Jasper

In Hebrews it is reading from right to left. The first row was a sardius, a topaz, and a carbuncle. And the second row, an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond. And the third row, a ligure, an agate, and an amethyst. And the fourth row, a beryl, an onyx, and a jasper.

Carbuncle(ruby) 	Topaz 	Sardius 
Diamond 	Sapphire 	Emerald 
Amethyst 	Agate 	Ligure
Jasper 	Onyx 	Beryl 

 3. Ezekiel 28:13 : The king of Tyrus / Luzifer.

"Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created." Ezekiel 28:13 .



#### 4. [Revelation 4:2,3](#)

And immediately I was in the spirit: and behold, a throne was set in heaven and one sat on the throne. And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, insight like unto an emerald.

### The portions mentioned in the bible of pearls are:



#### 1. [Job 28:1,2,12-18](#)

In chapter 28 Job is describing the treasures found in the earth and how men seek them out...for example: iron is taken from the dust and; copper is smelted from rock. Rocks are a source for sapphires and dust contains gold but where can wisdom be found? No mention shall be made of coral or of pearls: for the price of wisdom is above rubies.

#### 2. [Matthew 7:6](#)

Do not give what is holy to dogs, and do not throw your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you to pieces.

#### 3. [Matthew 13:45](#)

Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking fine pearls.

#### 4. [1 Timothy 2:10](#)

Likewise, I want women to adorn themselves with proper clothing, modestly and discreetly, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly garments.

#### 5. [Revelations 17:4](#)

And the woman was clothed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a gold cup full of abominations and of the unclean things of her immorality, This woman, a symbol of Babylon, clothed with the riches of the world.

#### 6. [Revelations 18:11](#)

Cargoes of gold and silver and precious stones and pearls and fine linen and purple and silk and scarlet, and every kind of citron wood and every article of

ivory and every article made from very costly wood and bronze and iron and marble.

7. Revelations 18:16

Saying, 'Woe, woe, the great city, she who was clothed in fine linen and purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls.

8. Song of Solomon 1:10

Your cheeks are lovely with ornaments, your neck with strings of pearls

9. Revelations 21:21

The twelve gates were twelve pearls; each one of the gates was a single pearl.



The virtuous woman is valuable. Why is she valuable ?

The main reason of her value is ,she is pure and then she is 'wise' and 'prudent' and she has all excellent services. Bible says, wisdom is more valuable than rubies. Because of all these qualities her worth is infinitely more than all the jewels.

Wisdom denotes Jesus Christ. Fearing of Lord is the beginning of wisdom. Job 28:18 says: No mention shall be made of coral or of pearls: for the price of wisdom is above rubies. Where shall wisdom be found? And where is the place of understanding? Man knoweth not the price thereof; neither is it found in the land of the living. The depth saith it is not in me and the sea saith it is not with me. It cannot be gotten for gold, neither shall silver be weighed for the price thereof. It cannot be valued with the gold of Ophir, with the precious onyx or the sapphire. The gold and the crystal cannot equal it; the exchange of it shall not be for jewels of fine gold. No mention shall be made of coral or of pearls: for the price of wisdom is above rubies. The topaz of Ethiopia shall not equal it neither shall it be valued with pure gold.

Whence then cometh wisdom? And where is the place of understanding? Seeing it is hid from the eyes of all living and kept close from the fowls of the air. Destruction and death say we have heard the fame thereof with our ears. God understandeth the way thereof and he knoweth the place thereof. For he looketh to the ends of

the earth and seeth under the whole heaven. To make the weight for the winds and he weigheth the waters by measure. When he made a decree for the rain, and a way for the lightning of the thunder. Then did he see it, and declare it he prepared it yea and searched it out. And unto man he said behold the fear of the Lord that is wisdom and to depart from evil is understanding.

Man is searching wisdom everywhere but he doesn't know where is it? Solomon searched the works of God under the sun with his wisdom. He gave his heart to seek and search out by his wisdom concerning all things that are done under heaven. He tried to find any new and profitable under the sun by testing his own life but he could not find it. He said all is vanity. At last he understood that fear God and keep his commandments is the whole duty of man. Eccleas:12:13.

#### Proverbs 3:35

The wise shall inherit glory; but shame shall be the promotion of fools.

#### Rom 11:33.

O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgements, and his ways past finding out!

#### In Ephesians 1:7,8 we read that:

In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace. Where in he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence.

Proverbs 3:13 -18 says: happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding. The merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold. She is more precious than rubies and all the things thou can desire are not to be compared unto her. Length of days is in her right hand and in her left hand riches and honour. Her ways are ways of pleasantness and all her paths are peace. She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her and happy is every one that retaineth her.

#### Proverbs 3:21-26 says:

My son, let not them depart them thine eyes; keep sound wisdom and discretion. So they be life unto thy soul, and grace to thy neck. Then shalt thou walk in thy



way safely, and thy foot shall not stumble. When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid; yea thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet. Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh. For the Lord shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken.

Dear readers,

The woman in Proverbs 31, is wise. Only God knows the ways of wisdom. Its worth is infinitely more than all the riches in this world. It is a gift of the Holy Spirit which we cannot be bought with money. Jesus Christ is the wisdom. He is the Lord of our life, His wisdom always protects us in all our ways. If anybody truly desired to gain the wisdom, they can find it only in Jesus Christ. If anybody who has lack of wisdom, pray to God who give it abundantly.

- 👉 The Proverbs 31 woman is a woman of purity
- 👉 She is a woman of wisdom and prudent
- 👉 She is a woman of value

Let us ask questions to us

👉 Are you a person who desire to gain more wisdom?

If you desire come to Jesus, you will get true wisdom. He will lead and protect you in all your ways.

James 1:2-6

Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing. But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him. But he must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind.

👉 Do you want to be a valuable person?

Accept Jesus Christ as your saviour, then you will become a valuable person. If you are not accepted Jesus Christ as your saviour so far, your promotion will be

shame and the scripture says they are fools because they forsake the valuable 'one'.

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 Do you feel you are something degrade person among others ?

If you are a God child there is no need to worry about that you are degraded. God children are the Jewels of the Lord.

When you feel depressed, when you feel low, when you feel unworthy, when you feel you are not valuable say to yourself you are a precious treasure and valuable for Jesus Christ.

Malachi 3:16,17

Then those who feared the LORD spoke to one another, And the LORD listened and heard them; So a book of remembrance was written before Him For those who fear the LORD And who meditate on His name. "They shall be Mine," says the LORD of hosts, "On the day that I make them My jewels. And I will spare them As a man spares his own son who serves him."

By this words may God bless you.