



The Wisdom of a Woman

*"The wise woman builds her house,
but the foolish tears it down with her own hands."
Proverbs 14:1*

DEFINITION: The word for "wise" used in this passage is "chak-mouth" (2454) and it appears only one time in the entire Bible. It means literally "the wisdom of women." It is wisdom in a good sense and speaks of great skillfulness.

From the primitive root "chah-chahm" (2449) This word means:

- ♥ The habit of acquiring wisdom
- ♥ Acquired by experience, a manner of thinking and attitude concerning life's experiences; including prudence, moral sensitivity, and experience in the ways of the Lord. One who is wise is able to gain from experiences of life and human affairs and is also skilled in divine things.
- ♥ This wisdom is closely related to intelligence and being endowed with reason.
- ♥ The discrimination of good and evil
- ♥ The knowledge or ability of making the right choices at the opportune time, joined with the consistency of making the right choice is an indication of maturity and development
- ♥ A teachable heart that is willing to receive of instruction
- ♥ Exercising correct judgment
- ♥ This form of wisdom speaks of great skillfulness, technical skills or special abilities in fashioning something
- ♥ To be firm, constant in mind, consistent, to have acute judgement
- ♥ Able to teach this wisdom to others

Vine's OT Dictionary defines this word as a mastery of the art of living in accordance with God's expectations. "Mastery and art" signifies this wisdom is a process of attainment and not an immediate accomplishment.