

## **Women Leaders in the Bible**

In your personal Bible study, you may want to review Scriptural examples of other women leaders:

- The Samaritan woman (**John 4:1-42**), who despite being an outcast, brought people from her community to meet Jesus.
- Prophetesses, like the aged Anna (**Luke 2:36-38**), who recognized the infant Christ, and Philip's four daughters (**Acts 21:8-9**). Also note **Joel 2:28** and **Acts 2:17**.
- Rahab, a prostitute who was blessed to become an ancestress of Christ (Joshua 2 and 6:17-25; Matthew 1:5). She protected the spies sent by Joshua and as a result saved her family when Jericho was destroyed.
- Wise woman of Tekoa (2 Samuel 14:1-20), whose ability as an actress resulted in the eventual reconciliation of David and Absalom.
- Abigail (1 Samuel 25:1-42; 2 Samuel 3:3), who saved her husband and their household from destruction by David and his men.
- Lydia (Acts 16:12-15, 40; Philippians 1:10), a hospitable businesswoman whose entire household was converted.
- Dorcas (Acts 9:36-43), who led by her example of service.