- 1. It is <u>folly</u> to trust in man's strength rather than God (31:1-2).
- 2. It is <u>folly</u> because man is only flesh that will perish (31:3).
- 3. It is <u>folly</u> because God cannot lose His battles (31:4-5).
- 4. It is <u>folly</u> not to turn from idols and trust in God who will certainly be victorious (31:6-9).

Questions for Discussion & Application

- 1. What was confusing, convicting, or encouraging from this study of scripture?
- 2. Why was Judah tempted to seek help from Egypt rather than trusting God when threatened by Assyria?
- 3. What "Egypt" have you been tempted to trust in rather than the Lord?
- 4. How have you experienced such misplaced trust to be folly?
- 5. What are the many different areas where we are tempted to trust in man and not God? What helps you to remember to turn from such false trusts? (See Isaiah 40:6-8, I Peter 1:22-25, & Psalm 20:7.)
- 6. What command did God give to Judah in verse 6? How does this command apply to us?