

Mama

Always Said

Proverbs 31: 1-9



¹ The sayings of King Lemuel—an inspired utterance his mother taught him.

*² Listen, my son! Listen, son of my womb!
Listen, my son, the answer to my prayers!*



*³ Do not spend your strength on women,
your vigor on those who ruin kings.*



*⁴ It is not for kings, Lemuel—
it is not for kings to drink wine,
not for rulers to crave beer,
⁵ lest they drink and forget what has been decreed,
and deprive all the oppressed of their rights.
⁶ Let beer be for those who are perishing,
wine for those who are in anguish!
⁷ Let them drink and forget their poverty
and remember their misery no more.*



⁸ Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute.

*⁹ Speak up and judge fairly;
defend the rights of the poor and needy.*

