

## Examples of Women in the Old Testament

Woman	Scripture(s)	Role
Eve	Genesis 1-2	Co-ruler of creation
Miriam	Exodus 15:20, Micah 6:4	Prophetess; Leader of Israel
Deborah	Judges 4-5; Deuteronomy 17:8	Judge, Ruler and Prophetess
Ruth	Ruth 1-4	Significant in that she has a Bible book named after her
Athaliah	2 Kings 11:1ff	Ruler of Israel (842-836 BC)
Huldah	2 Kings 22; 2 Chron. 34	Prophetess
The Good Wife	Proverbs 31:10-31	Mother, Wife, Family leader, Business owner, Teacher, Active in community affairs
Esther	Book of Esther (9:29-10:1, esp. 9:32)	Queen, Rescuer of Israel, Given authority over the Jews in Persia; Bible book named after her
Noadiah	Nehemiah 6	Jewish Prophetess (adversary of Nehemiah – shows that prophetesses were the norm after the Babylonian Exile)
Isaiah's wife	Isaiah 8:3	Prophetess

### Additional References

God described using female imagery	Isaiah 46:3; Isaiah 49:15; Isaiah 66:12-13 (Matt. 23:37)
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