

Top 5 wardrobe essentials for the Israelite woman

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Proverbs 31:25 “Strength and honor are her clothing, and she shall rejoice in time to come.”

We must wear clothes every. single. day. Whether it’s to work or to the feast day. Whether it is school or the sabbaths you must think about what you want to wear. There is nothing I hate more than figuring out what to wear to leave the house, honestly, I could just wear a uniform everyday. I’d be fine with that. All praises we as Israelite women have a guideline on how to dress ourselves, and within those guidelines we all have our own unique styles. No matter the style or the season there are some essentials that every Israelite woman should have. Here’s my top five:

5. Coming in ranking number 5 is a **nice light sweater**. This applies for all states (Except for Arizona cause the only season they experience is hot). No matter where you are on the map your wardrobe will **always** benefit from having a nice light sweater. Everyone has their own personal styles as far as what a sweater is to them. For example, I love hoodies and cardigans. I love hoodies as soon as tabernacles hit. But I’ll wear a cardigan 24/7. I have a black one and a white one for every occasion. Another cute sweater that people underrate is kimonos. Not the long ones that the ammonites be wearing. A plus is that nowadays a lot of these sweaters are coming with fringes already on them. All praises the other nations starting to get in line with keeping our commandments.



4. Next on our list coming in at number 4 is a **black or white slip skirt**. This is crucial for every skirt and dress you put on. Think of it as your best friend. It catches you from making embarrassing wardrobe mistakes. If your skirt is borderline sheer, this comes in handy. Even if your skirt is fully covered, it'll save you from your skirt sticking to your body when you get up after sitting in a chair for 2 hours.



3. The number 3 essentials is **Bold jewelry**. Jewelry can turn a workout outfit into a feast day garment. At times when you just want to throw on anything, make sure you throw on a nice necklace. If you don't want to be doing too much just leave it at that but if you're going to go all out, you might as well throw in some matching earrings.



2. Number 2 on the essential list is **FLATS**. Flats can be dressed up or dressed down. These shoes are very essential because if you feel like your whole outfit might be borderline too dressed up. You know that if you put on some heels that'll be too much, too cold for sandals but too hot for boots? BOOM flats are your answer.



1. The top essential thing we must all have in our wardrobe is a favorite fire **headwrap**. No, I do not literally mean a headwrap with cute little flames on it, however.... that might be an idea. ANYWAYS what I mean is that every Sista needs a favorite headwrap that she can wear to a board meeting one day and to the feast day the next. Currently my fire headwrap is a gold velvet tube headwrap.



Now these are just suggestions of wardrobe essentials that can come in handy any time, any day. Keep it mind that as Israelite women we have specific guidelines that we must follow. Numbers 15:25 and 1 Timothy 2:8 both give us the guidelines on how to dress. Within those guidelines we all have our unique styles and fashions. There is no need for use to follow the hottest trends of the world or wear high end worldly fashions. Following the examples of our foremothers Hadassah, and even Judith. In the book of Judith, it says that she wore sandals, jewelry and ornaments. No matter what you wear, always strive to be in the spirit of our foremothers.

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