

Editorial

TOO SIGNIFICANT TO BE USELESS

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he a woman and bought her unto the man. And Adam said, this is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh...they shall be one." This passage implies that Adam was lonely and in desperate need of a helper and companion. Adam was not complete until Eve, the woman who was formed from his rib, was brought to him by God. It was only then that he was fulfilled.

A woman has so much grace, intelligence, and purpose that for her to be sexually abused and harassed by a man, who she makes whole, is absurd. Many male chauvinists believe that the Genesis 2:20-24 passage in the Bible justifies the belief that women are only here for one purpose: a man's pleasure. They justify their sexually perverted behaviors by this passage. They feel that this gives them the right to mistreat women by sexually harassing and abusing them. When men see an attractive woman, they make explicit remarks to her, make sexual advancements, or even become physical with her against her will. I am not justifying prostitution, loose dressing, or immorality. However, I believe that no matter how a woman carries herself, if she does not want a man's affection, she should not be harassed, because that is not why God placed her on earth. Though women are treasured creatures, I am not sure how many really acknowledge this. Women must remember the next time they feel that they are inferior to men or a mere object of desire for men, there has to be a better purpose for us to be here, or God would not have allowed us to stay.

The power and worth of a woman is invaluable and priceless. Women are the most beautiful, outstanding, and complex creatures that God has ever created. We are tall, short, thick, thin, light, dark, rich, poor, mothers, daughters, wives, career women, and so much more. We are admired for our physical beauty and complexity as well as our inner strength and abilities.

For centuries we have carried the burden of our families and our own lives with grace. Women are the backbone of most establishments, including the family and the church. Women have the God-blessed ability to carry several lives inside of her body at a single time and nurture each life sufficiently.

Even though our status has changed over the years from being restricted and confined to the home to being independent career women, we are still emotional supporters, nurturers, and caregivers by nature. Those characteristics do not make us weak, but admirable and able to endure. Most of all, God wonderfully created women to complete their male counterparts.

The first book of the Bible, Genesis, clearly explains a woman's importance to man. Genesis 2:20-24, says, "...but for Adam was not found a help meet for him. And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof. And the rib, which the Lord God had taken from man, made

Poetry Corner

Question?

**Confusion and love are two of the same
No matter which way I go it all seems like a game
Seems like the more I try the more I will cry
Cause I have not a friend in this world
Some say love is not the answer
It never was before
Being so unhappy
This is always my fault
Willing to change, remold, reshape my being to well
Being humble in life realizing that nothing comes easy
Crying only makes it worse
Family, where are they now?
Not one to talk to
No one to listen
The only thing to do is to keep this within
Pray to grow old and to find a companion
Someone to love through someone to love
Who will give me the power to love
To put up with all they have and have not.**

Patricia Parks
February 7, 2002

So, You Wanted to Be a Star?

**You've
Gone overboard
Overachiever...
Think
The
Next time
Before
You
Shoot for
The
Sky—
Look
At what
You've
Gone
And
Done
Flung
Yourself
Into
Orbit
Useless
Revolution
You
Spin
Spin
And
Whine...

Stuck
In the
Rut...
So
You
Might as
Well
Enjoy
The
View!**

Jessica Barrier
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"WHO CAN FIND A VIRTUOUS WOMAN? FOR HER PRICE IS FAR ABOVE RUBIES."

-PROVERBS 31:10

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