

The Key Word is "FOUND"

To be found by a man that truly sees you for the jewel you are is very rare. It is even more remarkable to have the patience, courage and strength to allow time to reveal such a treasure. Everyone looks to find a love that they can count on, the kind of love that they can brag about and trust in for the rest of their lives. For instance, consider what the word 'wife' means. Proverbs 18:22 NKJV says, "*He who finds a wife finds a good thing, and obtains favor from the LORD.*" A wife is someone that is worthy to be found. God didn't say, "*He who finds a woman...*", He said "*He who finds a wife...*!" If you, as a woman, are too busy doing the seeking, then how can you expect for the man to find YOU!!!

Getting a man to the alter should not be a Christian woman's journey; it should always be left up to the man – never the woman. Why? Because God did not assign the woman this charge. Your task should be to #1-prepare your heart, mind, and soul to receive such a gift, and #2-make sure you're the kind of woman that as soon as one of God's finest recognizes you, he will know you're the one.

Understand, woman of God, that just as you have an instinct about the wrong kind of man for you, your future husband has an instinct about the wrong kind of woman for him. So if you're single and praying for a husband, ask yourself why haven't you been found yet, and take the time to really get clear about the answer to that question. It's not an embarrassing question to ask; it's a "*get real and honest*" question you ask of yourself when you are truly interested in the truth.

For the single Christian woman, it seems that being found by a Christian man that is truly seeking a Godly woman is becoming increasingly frustrating and time consuming. Could you be the one that's standing in your own way? The answer is "yes" if you have begun to take matters into your own hands by opting to ignore the principles of God and vying for worldly rules instead. This world is designed to trick people into substituting a 'instant gratification' philosophy for Godly principles. As a woman who is committed to the Lord, you must trust the Word and what it says before you decide that your way works quicker and will provide the results you're looking for.

God never meant for the woman to go out looking for her husband. He meant for this responsibility to be upon the man. Although times have changed, our Heavenly Father hasn't, nor has His Word. Every woman is not worthy or ready to be married or have a husband. God knows this and any man that's ready to partner will be able to determine, once he meets her if she's *wife* material.

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The media loves to tell us the percentages of single women that have never been married. The devil wants to fill our minds with doubt, but we cannot lose faith. God has everything under control. We can't blame Him for not connecting us to our future husband. Quite frankly, we have to admit that in many ways we are still not ready to partner. You must accept that even right now God is helping you to prepare for the blessing.

When we take our focus off of God and our relationship with Him, we become frustrated and tired of waiting on Him to bless us. Then, we end up going after the wrong man just for the sake of saying "*I have a man*". This isn't the dream you have in your heart. Allow the indwelling Holy Spirit to do the job of leading, guiding and directing you in every area, especially when it comes to partnering. Anytime your need for companionship overrules the principles that God has set forth in His Word, you are doing the steering and not God. Don't let this happen! And don't worry about finding the right man – keep your eyes on the Father and He will make sure that you are found. ●

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