

Precious, Priceless and Promised Encouragement for the Single Woman

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For many single women in today's society, their focus is on finding a mate. Oftentimes, they feel alone and deserted. Many even blame themselves and start looking inward for reasons as to why they are not married. Sure they date, but always with the anticipation that this guy might be the one. Some women date a guy maybe two or three times and create fantasies of walking down the aisle and having children with a man they barely know. Others do everything they can to look beautiful and to please their man during their courtship; in hopes that their pleasing him will bring about a ring and a marriage. Because our society is so enthralled with marriage and family, single women often feel like they are missing out on true happiness. But, women have to stop looking at the present state and look at the future, believing that we are **precious, priceless and promised.**

Precious is defined as something or someone that is valuable, loved, treasured and cherished. Some may say, "I feel good about myself, but no one has ever made me feel precious." And while this may be true, God, The Almighty sees you as His precious daughter. John 3:16 states that "*God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son, Jesus Christ.*" This means that He loved us so much that He freely decided to give up His most prized possession for you and me. If we confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior of our lives, then we are daughters of the King. You are a regal and royal princess by virtue of who your Father is. This is a key principle: we cannot understand who we are unless we first understand whose we are. The God we serve is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Because of our relationship with Him, we are considered royalty because of Him. We literally have royal blood flowing through our veins. But if we know that we are precious and royal in His sight, why are we not acting according to our lineage? You see, if we truly believed that we were daughters of the King, then we wouldn't let men talk to us any kind of way or allow them to have sexual relations with us outside of marriage. Somehow, we have lost the identity that Jesus Christ has placed upon us through our daddy/daughter relationship. We have forgotten that we are precious. We are so precious that He sent His son to die for us. Some of us have lost focus on who we truly belong to. We don't belong to man, we belong to God. We are valuable, loved, treasured and cherished possessions owned by the Father.

Now that we know whose we are, we must now focus on who we are? Because we are precious to God, He sees us as priceless. Priceless can be defined as worth more than anyone can measure or any price placed on this commodity is not enough. When you are priceless, you don't define yourself through a man, you define yourself through God. Priceless women don't look horizontally for a date or a marriage. Priceless women look vertically because they know whose they are and who they are. They look up because the blessing that God is sending their way is coming from up above. You see, priceless

women pray for what they want and ask the Master to give them what they need. Their prayer is different; they pray expecting the Father to answer. If their prayer involves finances, they just don't pray for the rent to be paid this month, they pray for the rent to be paid for the year. Precious and priceless women know who they belong to and who they are, they don't try to put limits on their God, because they know He is limitless. Precious and priceless women equip themselves with the Word of God. They believe, *Ephesians 3:20*, "Now to Him who is able to do exceeding abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us..." You see, they don't worry about their situation because they know their God is able and that same God is working in them. They realize their position causes them to be victorious in every aspect of their lives, whether they can see victory now or not. They know that they are serving the victor and that they have no other way to move then to move forward in Him. Precious and priceless women are serious about who they are and who they represent. They don't spend time gossiping or tearing down another sister. No, they know there is too much at stake. Instead, they are focused on God, what He wants and what He is doing with them.

I want you to see there is something that happens when women realize that they are precious and priceless. These women began to change. They begin to seek and search out the promises that are to be granted to them in the Word of God. Their walk changes, their heads are raised and their feet are planted firmly on the ground. They begin to look at the promises God is bestowing upon them with eagerness and excitement. When this change occurs it is dramatic, because these women take every area in their life and bring it under submission and to the obedience of Jesus Christ. As a result, they view themselves differently; they begin to see themselves as blessed and highly favored women of God. These women believe what God said in *Deuteronomy 28:2*, "All these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you if you obey the Lord, your God." Precious, priceless and promised women understand this principle and seek to change their attitude and their behavior because they are convicted. They know to continue to operate in their old ways is to block new blessings from coming their way.

I pray that you have been encouraged to embrace your new position as a precious daughter and to see yourself the way God sees you – as priceless in His sight – while you seek His promises for every aspect of your life.

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