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Strength of a Man

Tenderness of a Woman

Leader/Visionary	Helper/Administrator
Strong	Tender/Soft
Provider	Nurturer – Giver of Life
Protector	Vulnerable/Sensitive
Problem Solver	Ability to Multi-Task
Intelligent	Relational
Diligent/Hard Worker	Insightful/Intuitive
Focused	Beautiful

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Our desire and joy as a Woman!

To be Needed – Genesis 2:18

Need (ed) – a) necessity b) a lack of something required or desired c) a condition in which help is required

- God saw that Adam was alone and needed a companion/helper
- As women we need to be “needed”
- Being needed gives us purpose – a reason of existence to live

We as women have beat ourselves up for being “needy”

“I am not enough and I am too much at the same time. Not pretty enough, not thin enough, not kind enough, not gracious enough, not disciplined enough. But too emotional, too needy, too sensitive, too strong, too opinionated, too messy.” Captivating, page 7

To be Nurtured – Genesis 2:21-22a

Nurture – a) training; rearing b) to feed or nourish c) provide for

- God put Adam to sleep and took of his rib to create woman.
- Because we were birthed out of a “person” – out of “relationship” – as women we long to be in relationship.
- If we are not in relationship with another, we feel incomplete.
- This has been a life-long journey for women, often condemning ourselves for desiring to be loved and nurtured by others.
- We have been talked about for honoring relationships above work, love, and above money
- Our greatest fear is to be abandoned and alone. (*Captivating*, pg. 7)

To be Noticed – Genesis 2:23 “Wo–Man!”

Notice – a) announcement or warning b) a sign giving some public information, warning, etc. c) to observe; pay attention to

- When man saw woman he responded by affirming that she was part of him.
- Not only does he realize that she is bone of his bone and flesh of his flesh but he names her “Wo-man” meaning she is formed out of man.
- This is amazing information considering the fact that man was sleep while God formed woman yet when man saw woman he knew she was a part of him.
- How we long for a man to tell us we are bone of his bone and flesh of his flesh.
- How we long to be affirmed, noticed and recognized by a man.

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