LISTENER GUIDE

A True Woman Chooses Wisdom

by Mary Kassian (True Woman '10)

Text: Proverbs 7:6-27

"History is full of women who decided to walk on the wild side. But the Bible warns against wildness. And it often specifically addresses the problem of girls going wild."

Three insights about wildness:

1. Wildness warps true womanhood.

Sin targets us sex specifically . . . Sin aggressively tries to distort what _____ and _____ are all about.

Wildness makes me get my womanhood wrong. We see this clearly in the life of the Wild Thing of Proverbs 7.

Wildness warped this woman's:

- Appearance. She dressed like a _____.
- Approach to relationships. She was "_____ of heart."
- · Disposition. She was "_____" and "wayward."
- Habits. She was ______ rather than self-disciplined.
- Role. She was the aggressor and pursuer. He became the ______ follower.
- · Sexual Conduct.

The Lord wants our sexual conduct to display the faithfulness of the ______ union between Christ and the Church.



- Attitude toward possessions. She was a shopaholic who got her "fix" from getting "stuff."
- Attitude of entitlement. She demanded immediate _____.
- Reliability. She did not stick to the vow she had made.
- Speech Habits. Her speech was _____, duplicitous, and manipulative.
- · And more ...
- 2. There's a powerful pull on women to go wild.

Satan tries to convince women that sin is:

- attractive,
- · harmless, and
- · incredibly promising

Because:

- a. Wildness is a _____ of God's rule.
- b. He knows that God created women to be powerful
- c. He is aware of the powerful ______ of womanhood.

There is a purpose for your womanhood that is much bigger than you . . . "Manhood, womanhood, marriage and sex are mini-lessons that proclaim the _____.

3. True womanhood requires intentionally turning from wild to wise.

Proverbs 5:5–6 says of the Wild Thing: "Her feet go down to death; her steps follow the path to Sheol; she does not ______ the path of life; her ways wander, and she does not know it."

"There's a measure of Girl-Gone-Wildness in all of us. And if you're not intentional about dealing with it—and pondering God's path—your ways are going to wander.



You need to be intentional about womanhood. You need to be intentional about getting wisdom, and getting it from the right source. You need to be intentional about dealing with your wildness. Bring it to the foot of the cross—where Christ will cleanse you, forgive you, fill you with His Spirit, and give you the power to change."



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