

Women Who Like Rebels

We have all been young at some point in our lives, or maybe you're still young. There were certain things that appealed to us that no longer appealed or will no longer appeal to us as we mature. During our youth, we were still growing like grapes on a vine, but even after we reached adulthood, we still had to reach maturity. Nevertheless, young people tend to believe that they are mature enough to take on a relationship and choose a life partner when, in truth, they are not. Once a fruit reaches its full growth potential, it still has to mature before its ready for picking. Any fruit out of season will be bitter.

Many believers don't understand that once they come to Christ, they are still babes in Christ, and they must first start the growing process. After the growing process is completed, the believer then goes through a maturing process. Once the believer is mature, they will be sweet enough to choose or be chosen by the spouse who God has appointed for them.

Howbeit, the world has taught us that any man or woman who appeals to our eyes and can make us laugh is worth being with. Of course, as believers, we are not of this world, so we shouldn't follow this world's system, but many believers do follow the system; especially when they are still babes in Christ. The world has a template of what it says a man should look and act like. The world takes this character that it has created and projects him onto your television screen, and it glamourizes him. He's strong, handsome, and ungodly; but according to the world, he will be everything that you need plus more. The world is full of followers and leaders. It uses the leaders to encourage the followers, but when a leader does not fit or conform to the world's standards, he is usually labeled and shunned. Followers, however, watch the dark leaders of this world, and they begin to channel them. That's why you will see that someone who likes hip-hop will begin to dress a certain way, speak a certain way, and act a certain way. Someone who likes punk rock will often look, act, and speak a certain way as well because they are channeling someone they idolize. So, what you end up with is a world of followers tripping up behind a fallen leader.

There are certain levels of men in the world, and there are certain levels of men in the church. For each level of men in the world and in the church, there are women who walk those levels to choose or be chosen by a man on that level. What amazes the church as a whole is when a believing woman whom the church believed to be high-ranking chooses a man of the world, no matter what rank he is. A low-ranking woman in the church ranks higher than a high-ranking man of the world, but when a person who is in the church is still dabbling around in the world, they will see individuals of the world the same way the world sees them. This indicates that the believer is not old enough for marriage since they are still attracted to rebellion and rebellious souls.

Believers who like rebels are still themselves in a state of rebellion, for we attract and are attracted to

what we look up to. Women are attracted to men whose arms they want to be found on, no matter where he is headed. All the same, many believing women are snared by Satan's oh-so-familiar lie that they can take an unbelieving man and wash him up in the church, and he'll suddenly become a believer. Women who are attracted to unbelievers are women who aren't sure what they believe. They may believe that Jesus Christ is Lord, but they do not believe His words in entirety. They don't believe that they should seek ye first the Kingdom of God and all its righteousness, and then everything else will be added onto them. They don't believe that evil communications corrupt good manners. They don't believe that anyone that is a friend of the world is an enemy of God. They don't believe that believers have no part with infidels. Therefore, they continue in what they believe because, at the stage of growth that they are in, they have not yet learned to sit still and hear God. Women who are attracted to unbelievers still think that they can merge the Word with the world, and come out with this perfect mix of rebellion and holiness. They want a man who can entertain the worldly side of themselves, but at the same time, preach to them when their worldly ways catch up with them. They want a man who can sin with them, and then repent with them when they feel repentance is necessary. They want a man who can beat down any man in the world who dares to cross her or himself, but still lift her up when she's under spiritual attack. They want a man who can burn up a microphone rapping or singing at Saturday night's worldly outing, but can still get up and grab the microphone at church on Sunday morning to offer up a sermon to a hungry congregation. They want a man who is mixed up because they are still mixed up.

A leader covers his wife, but a follower exposes his girlfriend. Who you are attracted to tells you and others a lot about your age in Christ. If you're still attracted to piercings, slang, and tattoos; you're more than likely too young to be married. Think about how a natural father protects his daughter. When she is young and has finally gotten the green light to date (usually from her Mom), she goes after the rebel; a pierced character with colorful hair and rainbow markings all over his skin. This character comes to her house to pick her up, and her dad often does not like what he sees standing in his doorway. That's because a father wants his daughter to be with a leader who elevates her and protects her; not a follower who brings her down and exposes her to the evil he follows. All the same, the wrong man will always stunt the growth of the woman whom he unites himself with, whether it be in holy matrimony or in fornication. This is the reason that God calls the believer to mature first before even considering marriage. He said to seek first the Kingdom of God and all its righteousness. He could have said to seek whatever you want to seek, as long as you stay away from sin; but He knows that if you seek the right things in the wrong season, you will eventually find yourself right back in sin.

There are also male believers who are attracted to unbelieving women because the unbeliever presents herself as unrestrained and fun to be with. Anytime a believer is attracted to an unbeliever, again; it is because that person does not fully believe; therefore, when you see a man of God with a woman of the world, he is usually just as lost as she is. How do you think he found her? As human beings, we are walking and living in a certain mindset or realm of thinking, and we are attracted to the people who

fascinate us while we are in that realm of thinking. Many believers don't consider that they will be changed by the renewing of their minds. Just like the world, they believe that they will never change. The only changes that they expect are changes in their marital and financial statuses. No matter where we are; whether we are in Him or against Him, we often believe that tomorrow is scheduled to be better than today. After all, most unbelievers don't realize that they are unbelievers. They think they are just ordinary people, and that anyone who is less than them are sub-ordinary or unbelievers, and anyone who speaks higher than them are judgmental. Human beings tend to look down on anyone they perceive to be lower than them, and look up to anyone they believe to be higher than they are. It takes strength and wisdom to learn to master where you are today without focusing on who you want to be tomorrow or who you were yesterday.

When we see a man of God with a woman of the world, we consider this to be taboo, and we stand from afar shaking our heads as he brazenly defends his choice for a wife. Not often does anyone consider that he is a man of the world wearing the costume of a man of God. That's because believers rarely try others by their fruit; they hold them to their words. The truth is people can easily learn scripture, go to theology school, and even preach a charismatic sermon all the while entertaining the devils that lead them. What changes a man is what he believes. Once we believe that we have to change, we will willingly receive any information that tells us how to change.

Believers who are parents often find themselves heartbroken when they discover that their daughters and sons are attracted to worldly people. What's worse is when that child comes home and announces that they (the parents) are about to become grandparents. They feel hurt and betrayed because they raised their children in the church, and can't understand where they went wrong. Their wrong move was that they incorporated worldly views in their Christian homes. The world said that 16 years old is old enough to date, but men of old did not release their daughters to date at any time in their lives. A man had to come and ask for her hand in marriage. Nowadays, many believers send their daughters off to be bedded by some man who promises to bring them home before 10pm. In other words, he tries to get all that he can get before her curfew is up, and because of this, she fell in with the world. She wasn't refrained from the world; she was only encouraged not to enter certain parts of the world. This can be confusing to any young believer who is trying to find their own way. You must understand that a young person will often be attracted to rebels because in their teen years, they are in a state of rebellion. We attract and are attracted to what we are.

What if you are attracted to rebels? You like the thug who leans back in his seat as he passes you by, or you like the rebel who wears all black and puffs on a cigarette as you try to find a warm spot in his cold heart. What if you are attracted to the harlot who wears more hair than she wears clothes, or you are attracted to the contentious woman who can caress the black eye that she just gave you? What should you do? Stop, wait, and mature. Let the seasons play out in your life, and understand that you need to water yourself with as much Word as you can so that you can grow up stronger and wiser. If you wait

until wisdom has taken her rightful seat in your heart, you can then recognize who is and who is not your God-appointed spouse, so you won't waste your time with imposters. Always pay attention to what and who you are attracted to, for while you know little about the person you are interested in, your decision tells God a lot about you.