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Explaining the prophecies and the scriptures to all who desire to hear them. (Mosiah 27:35-36)

Correspondence from posts on relationships and gender roles

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I've gotten some feedback on the posts and videos I've created on the topics of relationships and gender roles.

Four women have contacted me with gratitude for writing these things. They are older women who have observed these things over a lifetime of experience in their lives and the lives of their children and (in some cases) grandchildren. They said how they wish that younger people knew these things, or that they knew these things when they were younger. Some have lived through divorce and death of spouses, some have had very long happy marriages. I have encouraged these women to go and teach their wisdom to young people. I hope they do. One younger mother also said she appreciated these

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things.

Two men have contacted me saying they appreciate these videos. One told me an interesting story of how he was discussing this material with a friend of his who shared with him the fact that there are a lot of people who are very upset with this material, and are disparaging me on private message groups. He said he had wondered why I kept mentioning that, and he had no idea that I had such a big group of people that hate me. Several of the previously mentioned women also said some variant of "you must have a death wish."

One woman contacted me with a mixed reaction. She said:

*“I’m a woman
and the love/hate I
feel towards some
of your posts draws
me in, sparking
interest in why I
feel the way I do
when I read some
of what you write.
It is interesting to
both bristle at
something and yet*

*want to improve so
I keep reading and
looking inward to
what I need to
uproot! If
something I read
bothers me, I want
to know why I had
that reaction to
printed words. It
can be a good
exercise!*

*....Has [the Lord]
told you women
need this wake-up
call and told you
to write it?*

*I ask because I
recognize my own
disappointment
with men who
ignore God, lack a
connection with
Heaven and are*

*ruled by their eyes
and their penis
perpetually, to the
heartbreak of their
wives who scrub,
do laundry, home
school and grow
older and less
desirable
compared to the
fresh crop of 18
year olds every*

*year willing to
expose their bodies
for money....It is
beyond soul-
crushing. I don't
believe most men
understand how
deeply they have
hurt their wives by
their constant
obsession with
physical*

*appearances (while
their bodies are
spared the
wreckage of child
bearing) and allow
their lusty desire to
forever wander
elsewhere....”*

I appreciated this email. I don't know this person. As with most of the correspondence I get, it's the first I've ever interacted with them. But I was touched by how much she had thought about these things, and her obvious reverence

for the Lord.

I responded:

*“...I teach what
the Lord tells me to
teach. I hate this
topic, and much
prefer the other
things I’m
working on. But as
I am working on
them, when he*

*speaks to me, I stop
what I'm doing
and write it out
and make videos
before returning to
what I was doing
before. If I don't
do that, he can't
keep speaking to
me.*

*I want to remind
you that guys are*

*often told what
they need to work
on. If they get a
pass in life, they
certainly don't in
what I've taught.
I've told men that
more than 25%
will never be worth
marrying, many
more will never
prepare themselves*

*to be worth
marrying, and
most who are
simply aren't
cutting it. I've told
men their role is to
be a priest—to
actually be holy
and actually have
a relationship with
God and I've
described just what*

*experiences that
entails. They know
how rare these
things are. I've also
told them that the
responsibility for
their whole family
sits squarely on
their shoulders
and that they are
alone on facing the
chaos of life.*

*Meanwhile, my
simple message to
women is that the
inherent value you
get for free with
youth has an
expiration date,
and is meant to be
replaced with
character and
service, things that
are much more*

*valuable than
looks. To me, that
is a very much
easier pill to
swallow, and the
fact that so many
hate me for saying
so is a greater
evidence of my
being right than
any argument I
could give.*

*Men should not be
led by physical
attraction. They
should not indulge
in the sin of lust. A
man should
acquire sufficient
wisdom to desire
and highly value
the traits I
described in “A
woman’s purpose.”*

*Few do, and few
women bother
developing them. ”*

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other people have a similar question.

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