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## **Is there a goody girl in the house?**

Ever met a nice, good looking and otherwise attractive woman who regardless of her seemingly perfect manners and upbringing still didn't seem capable of finding a good man of her own; the kind of girl I call a goody girl?

Ever met beautiful and smart young women who have built careers that would cause even the most ambitious and successful of men to cringe with envy when compared to them but who somehow don't seem capable of finding a good man to build a family and settle down with?

Well if you've met one then you've probably met a good girl. They are the pretty, young, ambitious, sometimes funny, well behaved and lonely women who regardless of all their seeming success and perfections find it difficult to find true love.

The question then is why is it that it sometimes appears as if the well behaved, polite and somewhat good natured women end up with the wrong side of the stick when it comes to relationships with men or finding a good man to settle with.

Some have actually come to the conclusion that the worst behaved women somehow end up with the best catches when it comes to marriage while the well behaved women who have kept and reversed themselves for Mr. Right tend to end up with the bad boys who are abusive and cheat on

them at the slightest opportunity causing them heart ache and lots of emotional distress.

Is it really true that reserved and well behaved women often end up with irresponsible and abusive men who take them for granted?

Is it true that loose and often badly behaved women regardless of their seeming lack of virtue tend to end up with the most loving, devoted, caring and committed men?

This book delves into the good girl smart girl syndrome and goes on to settle the debate about what sort of women men find most attractive.

## **Chapter 1**

### **BEING NICE VERSUS BEING SMART.**

To start with how do we really recognize a goody girl, the sort who does all the seemingly right things and acts all nice and perfect.

To help you more readily recognize this sort of woman and to help you determine whether or not you fall into this category, I have compiled an abbreviated list of some of the most common characteristics or traits of a goody girl and how they unconsciously act in ways that repel some well meaning men from them.

#### **She Always Wants To Please Others At Her Own Expense.**

A 'goody girl' is the sort who always wants to please everyone. She goes out of her way to make everyone happy even at her expense.

She doesn't know how to say 'No' and although being selfless can sometimes be an admirable trait it easily becomes an act of folly when such selfless acts of giving are not balanced with Godly wisdom.

Goody girls don't know how to say 'No'. When a man comes up to them and asks them out they find it difficult to make it clear to him that they are already in a committed relationship or that they are just not interested

in his advances. This weakness very easily finds them in awkward situations where she gets accused by her would be suitors of being a tease or being insincere; all this because she always tries to please all men.

In some cases she might even give in to sexual relationships with different men because of her inability to say 'No' and her uncontrolled desire to please men and everyone in general.

She may find herself coming short of her full potentials because she chooses to invest her time and energies in others (especially in the men she has strong feelings for).

While there really is nothing wrong with investing in the lives and future of others it remains that moderation is a good watchword to follow in all cases.

The problem with these senseless acts of self sacrifice is that men often see such women as being too eager to please them and they see this as a sign of desperation on her part which is a trait that men generally find unattractive.

### **She Doesn't Know How To Say 'No'?**

As already stated above the goody girl generally has a hard time saying 'No' to requests from people and this includes

men. Goody girls tend to lose their identity because they end up living their lives for others to their own peril.

We however happen to live in a world where you generally have to take what you want and if you refuse to do this you will most surely end up with nothing.

Their inability of a person to say 'No' leaves them in a situation where they experience a loss of identity. They end up being unable to assert themselves and this very easily works against them.

### **She Cooks Him Home Cooked Meals From The First Date.**

Ordinarily there's really nothing wrong cooking some good food for your man but the timing and spirit in which it is done could easily make all the difference between scoring a point with a man or losing out.

When two people have just recently met there is often some silent but real anxiety about what the intentions of the other concerned party is and what is proper.

Each person has an idea of what he or she thinks is appropriate. When a woman starts to invite a man to her home after the first date for a drink or to suggest that he meet her family he starts to feel that things are moving too fast and this makes the average man uncomfortable.

He may make no issue of it and would probably go on with the flow for a while and so long as he feels he is benefiting from the arrangement but deep down inside he probably won't think too much of you.

Goody girls are always trying too hard to please and this somehow comes off to the man as unattractive and irritating.

### **She May Offer Him Sex To Say 'Thank You'.**

Goody girls are too quick to compromise that which they know to be right or proper.

Because they are in a hurry to please others they sometimes do dumb things like give in to a man's sexual advances when they know they have no business doing so.

They tend to easily give into a man's ploy to deceptively get her into bed. He may try to make her feel guilty by telling her that if she really loved him she wouldn't resist him.

He may pressure her to show her love or affection to him by having illicit sex with him and she gives in because she wants to please him.

These acts of self-giving however tend to put her in a bad place as far as her relationship with men are concerned.

## **She Never Voices Her Own Opinion But Always Does Whatever He Says.**

A goody girl is always reserved and silent about her thoughts or opinions on most or all issues that concern herself or her man.

She believes that her man is always right and that it would be rude and unladylike for her to challenge his decisions or to even make any suggestions on any issue that concerns them.

## **She Becomes Attached To Him Regardless Of Whether Or Not He Has Made A Commitment To Her.**

A goody girl is quick to make a commitment to a man who has not made any to her. No sooner does a man she fancy's say 'Hi' to her than she's already handing over her heart to him on a platter.

She is quick to wear her heart on her sleeves when it comes to matters of the heart and she believes too much in the good of others for her own good.

While optimism about life in general and about others is a good thing it follows however that one should exercise this optimism with wisdom.

Her often eager attempt to give her heart to her supposed man or to allow men into her heart too soon does however tend to leave her somewhat taken for granted.

### **She Puts Up With His Bad Behavior And Even Makes Excuses For Him.**

The goody girl always believes that if things don't work out then it's her fault. She believes too much in the good of others and of her man and is of the opinion that if there's something wrong with the relationship it must be her fault.

Often she makes excuses for her man when he behaves badly and believes that he'll one day appreciate her more for putting up with all his bad behavior.

Sometimes he may get physical or abusive, sometimes inflicting some serious injuries on her.

A black eye might become as frequent with her as the rising and setting of the sun.

Because a goody girl believes that the amount of pain and suffering she is able to bear from her man is an indication of how much she loves him, she stays on regardless of the eminent threats to her wellbeing and her to life.

## **She Hangs On To Him Even When He Says It's over.**

A goody girl somehow believes that there is only one man for her and once she has picked him she becomes bent on sticking with him no matter how badly he treats her; it doesn't matter to her that she may have picked the wrong man.

Even at the point when her would be 'Mr. Right' says it's over and that he wants no more of the relationship she often still believes that he will somehow and by some miraculous intervention end up changing his mind about her and the relationship.

## **She Puts Up With His Womanizing At The Expense Of Her Happiness.**

A goody girl is very understanding and accommodating even to the point of absurdity.

She cant bear the thought that her man may be womanizing so even when she catches him red handed she either looks the other way and acts like she didn't see it or she buys herself ten pounds of fresh chocolate and sits in front of the T.V every evening with the remote in her hand to keep herself from thinking about it.

Off course there is the possible threat of infection or AIDS resulting from her unfaithful mans philandering but she reasons that she loves him and that love will somehow make everything O.K.

**She Makes Unlimited Personal Sacrifices Of Her Time And Money Without Really Insisting That He Makes His Contribution To The Relationship.**

Goody girls are committed to making their relationships work regardless of the challenges that come her way. She will instinctively give of her self, her money and everything that she has without giving it a second thought. The problem though is that while giving is good in the general sense one sided giving does not particularly work too well for a relationship between a man and a woman.

## **Chapter 2**

### **STRIKING THE BALANCE.**

#### **Why the goody girl approach tends to fail.**

Considering the amount of selfless effort and commitment which the average goody girl puts into her relationship you would easily expect that most men would consider themselves lucky to have her as their date or their wives.

One would expect that most men would love to marry and spend the rest of their lives with such selfless, loving creatures. Why then is it that lots of goody women end up having their hearts broken or their dream of a happy ever after shattered by men?

This chapter is intended to take another look at some of the basic character traits of the goody girl and how their actions are interpreted (unfortunately not in their favor) by most men.

#### **It Makes A Woman Appear Too Predictable, Uninteresting And Unattractive.**

If there is one word which might be used to sum up the average goody girl, it is this word, 'BORRING!'.

The average goody girl is too self conscious because she always wants to make a perfect impression and actually dreads ever making a mistake.

This approach to life keeps her shut up and keeps others from getting to really know her in manner that is necessary for the effective growth of friendship and relationships.

In the fifty's men might have wanted wives who did nothing but smiled when they spoke and bore them half a dozen kids for starters.

These days however things have changed quite a bit and men now want women who are sexy in bed, smart enough to ensure they get sufficient mental stimulation from their discussions together, a great cook and mother and it wouldn't hurt if she managed to build a relatively promising career while she was at it either.

Simply put, men want women who fulfill them in as many ways possible.

However, unfortunately for the goody girl, she also tends to be a 'yes girl' and some how manages to pass off the opportunity to make any meaningful contributions to the issues that concern herself, her man and her relationship with her man amongst other issues.

Predictability could sometimes be a good quality but when someone becomes too predictable, they also tend to become quite boring as well.

When a goody girl's man has a night out with the boys and comes home drunk he knows that she'll make no issue about it but would silently clean up after him.

When she catches him with another woman he's not ruffled because he knows that she would put up with anything he dishes out at her regardless of how she felt about it.

Unknown to the goody girl this very quality of being overtly predictable causes her to become unattractive to men.

Contrary to what some men might say most good men want a woman who has an opinion of her own and who can occasionally point him in the right direction whenever it appears that he's treading the wrong part.

Even if he doesn't take her advice most men just want to know that the person they get up in the morning with and go the bed with every night is a living, thinking, fully functional human being.

They like to think that should the situation warrant it, their woman would be capable of putting two and two together and would be equipped to deal with certain minor upsets, difficulties or challenges in their absence.

Deep down Goody girls may actually be very brilliant individuals but their faulty approach to life prevents them from attempting to fully express themselves because of the fear that they might have an opinion which might differ from their mans.

Finally men tend to respond to healthy levels of challenge and this also applies in the dating and mating game.

Unfortunately for the goody girl her approach to life and to her relationships with men completely takes the challenge out of the chase.

This has the effect of putting men off who tend to perceive her as not being worth the effort which in turn further worsens her plight as far as finding a good man is concerned.

### **It Often Leaves Them Underdeveloped And Unappealing To The Men.**

Goody girls give too much of themselves and often have no time left to cater to their own individual and personal needs.

Sadly, in life, you often have to take care of yourself if you expect to get any care or at least show people or let them

know how you would like to be taken care of if you truly expect to be taking care of.

Because goody girls tend to live for others they fail to take advantage of the opportunities that come their way for self improvement. If there is one thing that we all as humans must always do it is to improve ourselves.

The moment we stop improving ourselves or we stop learning, we somehow and at some level start dying. Life is about improvement, it's about growth, and it's about attaining our fullest potentials (or at least aspiring to do so).

Everyone loves success; everyone appreciates a well developed personality.

By learning to spend sufficient time and effort in developing herself a goody girls appeal would increase by leaps and bounds and more men would start to see her as long term or marriage material provided off course that she also does a little bit of work on the other areas of her life to even things out and bring out her best.

Until a goody girl learns to sometimes think of herself and to build up or improve herself to the point that she becomes more useful to her world and to those around her she may continue to get a raw deal from the men she so desperately desires.

## **It Makes The Woman Appear Needy And Annoying.**

Goody girls tend to hang on every word their man says and because they somehow feel that it's a sign of disrespect to make suggestion or express their opinions to her, man unless she's asked, she ends up placing the whole burden or responsibility for the growth of the relationship on him.

This burden can easily become too heavy and soon the man starts to resent the apparent reality of the relationship and the subsequent feeling that he's dating a body and not a complete person.

As a result of the man having to do all the thinking in the relationship he starts a goody girl easily becomes a burden to him and he starts to feel that she is too needy or dependent on him; he starts to feel choked up.

A goody girl generally lives for the man she loves. Now there really isn't any thing wrong with having a strong commitment to that special person in your life but when such commitment takes the form of outright obsession it really does have a way of getting under ones skin.

By virtue of her goody girl nature she always wants to be around her man. She ends up crowding him in and giving the feeling that he'll get choked if he doesn't get away from her as soon as possible.

She may call him twelve times a day and suggest that they see everyday after work. She volunteers to pick him up from work each day till he gets tired and starts making excuses for why she can't go with her.

What a goody girl fails to understand is that her behavior makes a man feel swallowed up in the relationship and this is an uncomfortable feeling for a man.

Men move away from needy women not towards them.

### **It Makes The Woman Appear Desperate And Damaged.**

When a woman is too eager to please a man, (especially at the initial stages or the start of the relationship) it makes her appear desperate and damaged and men don't exactly find desperate, damaged women attractive.

A goody girl's very disposition causes men to approach her with caution. They wonder why she is so eager to please them.

They see this as a sign of low self esteem or self worth and unfortunately for her, men do not find women with low self-esteem attractive.

## **It Makes Men Take Her For Granted**

Because men find that the goody girl is always accommodating of their bad behavior and habits they do not make conscious efforts to change for the better.

They abuse her capacity to accommodate them and eventually completely take her for granted.

When a man starts to take a woman for granted what happens is that he becomes more self centered and thinks less about her needs or desires.

He talks more about his needs and less about hers. He makes decisions that affect him or both of them without even given a thought to what she thinks about his plans or to how they fit into her own schedule.

At the end of the day goody girl's man keeps cheating on her, abuses her and then dumps her when he is tired of her boring and compromising nature.

## **Chapter 3**

### **DO BAD GIRLS REALLY GET MR. RIGHT?**

In my opinion No! Its not really our being good or bad that influences the level of success or otherwise in landing a great catch in the dating world rather it's the amount of wisdom we apply in our affairs as we proceed on our search for Mr. Right.

At this point I would like to make certain things clear. Please do not get carried away by the lose and promiscuous life style of some of our young women who go about hopping from one night club to another and from one man to another in the name of having fun.

While it may appear that some of them end up landing the man of their dreams after leaving such wayward lives I would like to assure you that they always end up bearing the scares which they are left with in course of their waywardness.

They may not tell you about it, it may not seem apparent to you or to others on the outside but they know that this is true and they alone are left to face the repercussion for their waywardness.

While it is true that even women who have lived wayward lives in the past are welcomed to receive forgiveness and cleansing from their misdeeds when they turn to the Lord

Jesus Christ, it remains that lots of such women still find that they are hunted by the memories of their past and this might even go as far as destroying or threatening the success of her present relationship.

### **How to date smart.**

As I said earlier, success in dating and in building healthy relationships with men is based more on the wisdom and the grace of God than it is on good deeds.

Good deeds are a necessary requirement for relationships that already have a firm foundation or that already exists. A man will not necessary court or marry you because you behave well.

He will however appreciate and feel more endeared to you by your good deeds if he finds that he experiences a spiritual and mental connection with you during the course of his interactions with you. For more on that please read my book *'Dating Rules'* and *'Are you the Right Man for me?'*.

### **Commit The Relationship To God.**

In proverbs the Bible admonishes us to commit our plans into the hands of the lord so that they will be established. In the quest to find Mr. Right it's the smart thing to do. Here's my formula for success in life.

To succeed in anything in life there are two parts to the story. One part is the effort you put into succeeding; the seed you plant.

The other part is the favor, grace and blessings of God; the water, nourishment and sunlight that make the seed grow. When one person fails to play their part the success we desire just never comes.

You have a part to play in the quest to meet Mr. Right. Your part is to develop yourself as well as you can and to find all the information you can to ensure you know what to do and when to do it.

You need to learn to avoid pulling down your own house with your own hands by learning to avoid making dumb mistakes that could easily wreck your relationships with men.

At the same time you also have to get God involved so that he can bless your efforts, your good works, your commitment to doing the right thing and to living right with success, happiness and the man of your dreams.

### **Never Make The First Move Unless...**

Some women think that it's unfair that they have to wait for a man to approach them before they can get a chance

to get to know them or build a relationship with them. They wish they could walk up to any man they felt attracted to without society raising an eyebrow.

Some other women feel relieved that they don't have to put up with the anxiety and feeling of rejection that sometimes results from attempting to approach or connect with someone we don't know.

Regardless of what your stand might be on the subject of who should make the first move, it remains that women stand a better chance of finding true love and happiness when they wait for the man to make the first move.

Generally, it is believed that if he doesn't, then it wasn't meant to be.

Most men will never say 'No' to advances from most women and due to the corrupt nature of the world they might mistake her advances (no matter how well intentioned they may be) as a sign of complete submissiveness to him and may try initiate immediate or instant sex.

There is something about a woman coming on to a man that makes him feel that she's all his already and which causes him to become careless with her feelings.

He doesn't take extra care to woo her or to make her feel special. A woman should be courted and wooed but once she's made the first move a man feels like she's already won and finds no need to try to win her over again.

Making the first move tends to put a woman in a position where she is taken for granted and she could easily be abused by the man to whom she is opening up her heart.

Don't make the first move and you put yourself in a better bargaining position in the relationship; a position which you need to be in most especially at the start of a relationship with a man.

### **Don't Rush Into Sex.**

Sex can make or break your relationship. When it is given its rightful place in a relationship sex enhances the quality of the relationship.

On the other hand when it is abused and used contrary to the plans and purposes of God for it, sex destroys relationships even before they get a chance to start.

## **Never Assume You Know What's On His Mind; Find Out.**

A major mistake that lots of women make in their relationships with men is to assume that they know the man they are dating way before they have a chance to really get to know him.

They foolishly believe that their man feels the same way about them as they feel about him. They believe that because they find a man attractive and they see him as a potentially good father to her kids he would see them in the same light too.

What these women fail to realize is that men and women move at different speeds on the commitment scale when it comes to courtship and marriage.

Generally women tend to progress faster up the scale and they tend to have higher expectations at every stage of the relationship than men.

Men on the other hand are usually slower and more careful to make a commitment since they are often have a hard time letting go of their perceived male freedom.

Don't assume that your man loves you just because you love him and don't ask him if he does except it's completely necessary.

Find out how he feels about you and what his plans are for the relationship by watching his gestures, the way he treats you and what he says to you and about you.

### **Keep Your Dating Dairy Open Till He's Made a True Commitment.**

The Bible admonishes us not to throw our pearls before swine's less they trample them under foot and then turn around and trample us. Don't give your life to a man who has not proved himself worthy of the honor.

You're not desperate and damaged; you're not allowed to be. You are a beautifully and wonderfully made female who is willing to give her best and her all to her man because her man has also shown that he will willingly do the same for her too.

Don't put your life on hold because you recently met a man whom you think is the one. Date him, court him, go out with him and find out by asking the right questions if he is the one for you.

Until he has made a solid commitment to you I'd advise that you see other men. This however should not be seen as a license for promiscuity.

You should date as many men as possible till you've met Mr. Right not sleep with them.

## **Don't Rush Things, Don't Assume Anything, and Don't Propose To Him.**

Never rush your relationships with men; never assume that he's got your best interest at heart till he's made it clear to you that he does through his words and actions and over time too.

Most of all never make the mistake of proposing to a man or of even insinuating a proposal. To do this is more or less the same as shooting yourself in the foot.

Except you are fortunate enough to be with a man who has the fear of God in him he will immediately take you for granted and take sexual advantage of you.

When relationships fail it is my opinion that lots of cases women often have to bear the brunt of the failed alliance.

If she gets pregnant and the man leaves her she is the one who has to bear the burden of carrying an unwanted pregnancy for nine whole months and afterwards she has to single handedly bring up the child.

The fact that nature's biological clock doesn't exactly favor with respect to aging and bearing children when compared

with the men should cause women to approach relationships issues with caution.

Proposing to a man will either cause him to run away from you because men tend to shy away from commitments until they have no choice but to get hooked or he'll delay and keep you in suspense while he continues to selfishly enjoy whatever pleasures you afford him with your time, your body and your money.

### **If It Doesn't Work Out, *Next....!***

Whether or not we like it life is full of lots of uncertainties. Sometimes we seem to do all we are expected to do and act the way we are supposed to but things just don't seem to work out.

You say the right words, are at the right place at the right time and play your game to perfection but somehow things just don't work out as planned in the end.

Well that's life for you and sometimes no matter how much you try it sometimes seems like things have a mind of their own.

The Bible says that, "All things work out for good to them that love God".

There are times when we are tempted to wonder how this could always be.

How could you losing the most perfect man you have ever met to another woman who doesn't even care for him as much as you do be a blessing to you?

Well I guess there are certain things that we never will be able to make sense of in this life and we just have to trust God on these and other matters.

A smart girl knows that when it doesn't work out.. ***Next!***

She doesn't waste her time crying over spilt milk or spend her weekends sulking over a relationship that doesn't exist anymore.

She cries her eyes out if she must, puts herself together and gets on with her life; after all he's getting on with his so why shouldn't she. Even if he's not it's not your problem, it's his loss.

Smart girls don't waste their time on failed relationships; they get on with their lives.

**Have A Life Of Your Own, Invest In Self Development.**

Smart girls know that everyone loves a winner so they invest in and build themselves. They get a good education,

they get a good job and they go for any position in the organization they feel themselves suited for.

They don't put their lives on hold while they wait for a man to come and save them from their purposeless existence.

If they can't find a good job, they make one. She brings their creative instincts to bear and puts them to work for her success and for that of mankind in as a whole.

Build yourself, develop your potentials in the arts, business or in whatever areas of life you find yourself gifted and be the best you can be.

Everyone loves success and you'd be surprised at how much more men will find you attractive as you learn to make your life to order.

## **Chapter 4**

### **IS HE WORTH THE EFFORT?**

One of the things women have to find a way of discerning earlier on in a relationship with a man is how to ascertain quickly enough if a man is worth dating or committing to.

Below are a list of some basic questions which a woman should ask herself to help her make up her mind about whether or not to keep seeing a man or to call it quits at the early stages.

#### **Is He Single and Available?**

If he's not then your simply have no business dating him cause you there really is no future for both of you together; this is of course except he's a polygamist.

If you find out that a man you are dating is engaged or married to someone else I'd suggest you do yourself a favor and get out of the relationship fast.

The most likely reason for a married or engaged man to date you would be to have his way with you and then dump you.

If you ask me, there's no future in dating an engaged or married man and such men are surely not worth dating. "Thou shall not commit adultery"

## **Is He Hard Working, Does He Have A Future.**

Most women would prefer to date and marry an already made man.

Most are naturally drawn to men of influence and repute more readily than they are to the average guy on the street who is still struggling to find his way in life.

However one problem with lots of the made men is that they treat their relationships with contempt and suspicion. Most of such men feel that the women who are involved with them do so because of their wealth.

They believe that the women who come close to them have no genuine feelings for them but only want to get a piece of their wealth; their money.

As a result lots of the women who are associated with them may not have it as easy as they might expect especially when these men are not true Christians and when they are not committed to the things of God.

Overall, you don't want to be with a bum or with a man who has no concrete ambition in life.

You want to be with a man who has plans for his life and for yours. You want a man who has the same or similar plans for the relationship as you have for it.

Even if he doesn't yet have a million dollars in his bank account he needs to be a man who has a workable plan for his life and from whom you can see signs of agreeable levels progress in his pursuits.

Even if he's not yet made, provided he's got healthy ambition and a workable plan for his future and you get to see encouraging signs of progress I'd say he's worth giving a chance.

### **Does He Love You?**

No matter how much ambition he's got or how comfortable he is if he is not in love with you I doubt that you will find the happiness and fulfillment you desire in the relationship.

Except a man truly loves you I'd say he's not worth it. If you'd like to know how to tell when a man truly loves you or if he's just taking you for a ride, read my book ***'Are you the right man for me'***

## **Do You Love Him?**

While some women might feel that the issue of whether or not a man loves her or not is irrelevant provided he's able and willing to take care of her and that she loves him, in my opinion, a woman cannot be truly happy and fulfilled until she finds that person to whom she can give whole hearted love to and receive the same from.

For a truly healthy and fulfilling relationship to evolve between two people the giving and receiving of love must be mutual.

## **Does He Have A Healthy Relationship With The Lord?**

Somewhere along the line in relationships between men and women the women are expected to submit themselves to their husbands.

Except the man they are dating or married to is one who has the fear and spirit of God in him chances are that he may become a willing tool in the hand of the enemy and as such he's plans and decisions concerning the relationship may generally not be in your best interest.

Except a man is under the positive influence of the father he is most likely prone to act selfishly and to treat you in ways that would often find you questioning the basis of your relationship or marriage to him.

My advice, choose men who have the Lord as their master, savior and mentor make sure Jesus is your master too.

The goal is not to find a man who does everything perfectly and who never offends another. The goal is to find a man who has a willing heart; a man who sincerely desires to please God.

### **Does He Want the Sort of Relationship You Want?**

One of the things you will need to find out quickly before or shortly after you start to date a man is whether or not he wants the sort of relationship you also want.

Does he want to build a long lasting and long term relationship with you based on love and trust or is he just looking to pass the time with you.

Except you both want the same thing out of the relationship he's certainly not worth the trouble.

Is he talking marriage or is he just talking dating. Do his gestures, his words, point in the direction of marriage or to a simply platonic relationship?

Whatever his words and gestures suggest about his intentions, as far as the relationship is concerned, make

sure they are pointing in the same direction that you want to take the relationship to.

## **WHEN TO HOLD ON AND WHEN TO LET GO.**

- **When To Hold On**

### **He Lets You Know He Loves You And He Does It So Naturally.**

When the man you are dating leaves no doubt in your mind about the sincerity of his feelings and intentions for you and shows this by the way he looks at you, the way he talks to you, the way he treats you and addresses you before friends, family, strangers and in private that he truly really loves you, such a man is worth holding on to.

A man who loves you will treat you with respect and not as a thing or an object. If you'd like to find more about how to tell if a man loves you read my book, '***Are you the right man for me?***'

### **He Lets You Know Through His Words And Actions That He Truly Cares For You By Being There For You In The Times Of Your Need.**

When a man makes sacrifices of his time and energy to be there for you in your moments of trial or need I'd suggest you hold on to him; I'd suggest you learn to treat him right too.

Most men who don't care for you don't want to be bothered with how you get through life or what you do with yourself outside of you being there to meet their selfish needs whenever they need you to.

A man who sincerely cares about what's going on in your life is a man that's worth looking into.

### **He Gives You A Key To His Apartment.**

When a man has nothing to hide he sees no reason why you can't drop in to say 'Hi' to him at any and every time of the day.

### **He Introduces You To His Friends And Family.**

If your man introduces you to his friends and family he just might be sincere about his intentions toward you and is worth looking into.

This does not mean however that you let down your guard and get carried away by these gestures. Stay on the alert for any conflicting signals and always do the right thing in every situation.

## **He Lets You Answer His Phone.**

This is a tough one and the chances of this actually happening are not very bright but if your man does give you the go ahead to answer his phone calls then he really might be serious when he tells you he truly wants to go steady with you and only you.

One of the biggest mistakes you can make however is to actually insist or demand that he gives you permission to pick his calls when he's not there.

If it comes from him fine. If however he doesn't suggest it do yourself a favor and don't suggest it either.

## **He Takes You To See His Mother.**

Your man taking you to see his mother is a good sign but none of these signs should be read in isolation. An encouraging collection is better.

The more the signs that he is the serious type the more likely that he is the real thing.

If he takes you to see his mother then I think he's also worth looking into this however should not be seen to be the all determining factor.

### **He Proposes To You.**

If a man properly proposes to you then he's probably really into you. Please note the word 'properly'.

### **He Doesn't Talk Or Act Like He's Having Second Thoughts About The You.**

If the man you are dating generally sounds sure of himself and he appears lively and sure of himself whenever the issue of your engagement comes up chances are that he's not having second thoughts and is really ready to tie the knot with you; I'd say he's worth sticking with.

### **He Treats You Like You Are A Part Of His World.**

If your date treats you like you're an important part of his world and would generally not take any decision or make any plans without due consultations with you or consideration for your feelings he's most likely really serious about you and is worth looking into.

### **He Looks Deeply, Sincerely And Lovingly Into Your Eyes When He Says He Loves You.**

Strong and unflinching eye contact when he tells you he love you is a good sign and suggest that he really does care.

Remember however that you should not view any of these signs in isolation as a sign that he's really serious about you.

Rather I'd suggest you make your decision based on a general assessment. How well does he score on the overall scale?

### **He's Always (Well Almost Always) Willing To Listen To You.**

If your date cares enough to actually listen to you in those times when you need a listening ear (even if all you have to say is a lot of seeming boring female talk) chances are that he's the real thing.

### **He Treats You Like His Queen.**

If your man shows through his actions and words that he has great respect and admiration for you he just might be the one.

## **He Doesn't Stare At Every Other Woman Who Passes By.**

One sure sign that a man is ready to go monogamous and that he's really ready to settle is that he stops getting carried away by the beauty and allure of other women.

Note that I did not say that he stops taking notice of other pretty women as they pass by; he still will sometimes.

The difference however is that he won't have any ulterior motives in mind if and when he notices these other women and he won't be making it a habit of noticing anything in skirts that passes by.

If the man you are dating has eyes for only you I'd suggest hold on to him.

- **When To Let Go**

### **When You Have Strong Evidence That He's cheating On You and He's not willing to make a Change.**

If he says he loves you but is cheating on you then I'd suggest you let go and quick too. AIDS is real and so are a million other STD'S out there.

### **When He's Not Willing To Work His Way Up The Ladder Of Life And Success But Sees You As His Free Meal Ticket.**

If your date lacks ambition or is always asking or borrowing money from you I'd say you let go of him and quick too.

### **When He's Actions And Words Suggests That All He Wants From You Is Sex.**

A man who is only interested in sex is a man who doesn't love you and who only wants to satisfy his selfish carnal desires. If you've somehow found yourself in such a relationship, get out fast.

### **When You've Dated For Up To Three Months And You Still Don't Have A Clear Understanding Of What He Does Or Where He Lives.**

This is a probable sign that he's been telling you lies or that he has something to hide. He may be married to another woman or may be ashamed to take you home.

### **When He Always Calls You Up For Last Minute Dates.**

He probably only calls you up as his last minute replacement for his earlier scheduled dates. In other words, you're simply his standby; his second best.

## **When He Makes It Very Clear to You That He's Not Sure That He'll Ever Get Married.**

If marriage is what you want and I'm assuming it is, drop him like a bad habit.

## **When He Tells You It's over.**

I'm sure you don't need an interpreter to know what this means. Don't bother trying to get the United Nations to plead on your behalf; just turn around and leave. Don't even bother to say goodbye.

## **When He Starts To Become Abusive To You Person.**

When a man starts to threaten your physical health and well being by beating you up to the point where you have to be hospitalized I'd suggest you get out of the relationship fast.

I don't even recommend that you get hospitalized first before you know you should leave.

When he starts to knock you around or to say evil, insulting and demeaning things about you all in a bid to make you feel bad on purpose, do yourself a favor and leave.

## **Ten characteristics of a smart girl.**

### **She Develops Herself.**

Smart women build up and add value to themselves because they know that the more educated, informed and successful they are the more men will want to have her hand in marriage. She's not self centered or selfish.

On the contrary she knows how to give herself for the good of others in healthy and mutually beneficial ways. A smart woman balances her giving with wisdom; Godly wisdom.

### **She Has A Life Of Her Own.**

A smart woman knows how to contribute positively to the lives of others without losing herself. She is able to care for others without neglecting to care for her needs as well.

She is not selfless to her own detriment or selfish to the detriment of others; she knows where to draw the line and is a balanced woman.

She may not be perfect as no one really is in the sight of men. However she does the right with wisdom as her yardstick.

## **She Loves Men Who Love Her And Let's Go Those Who Don't.**

A smart woman doesn't waste her love or time on men who don't love or want to be with her.

She doesn't waste her time trying to get men interested in them. They wait and make a wise pick from the lot of men who come to sick her hand in marriage.

## **She Doesn't Make The First Move.**

A smart woman is aware of the dangers of making the first move toward a man and she wisely avoids making this mistake.

## **She Knows When He's No More Interested and Tactfully Let's Go.**

A smart woman doesn't wait till the man she's dating makes a paid announcement on the nine o'clock news about he's intention to leave her.

She reads the signs and the writing on the wall and knows when to gracefully bow out of the relationship.

## **She Follows His Lead, Never Takes The Lead.**

A smart girl knows that she is never to assume anything but only works on the information she gets from the man she's dating with regard to the level of commitment that's present in her relationship with her man.

She doesn't assume or decide when to move to the next level of the relationship, she waits for him to decide to move the relationship to the next level then follows.

If on the other hand she is of the opinion that he's taking too long to make up his mind she tactfully finds out what his position is on the issue and if it's not encouraging, she looks elsewhere.

## **If He Tries To Lead Her Along The Path To Nowhere, She Lets Go.**

Once it becomes clear to a smart girl that the relationship is on the path to nowhere she does the right thing and bails out of the relationship before she finds herself lost at sea.

## **She Doesn't Just Listen To His Words; She Reads His Gestures And Body Language.**

A smart girl doesn't just believe a man because he says he loves her, she checks to see if he's actions are consistent with his words.

## **She Is Able To Submit To Her Man Without Losing Her Identity.**

A smart girl knows that rebellion against her mans authority especially when they are married will get her nowhere.

She learns to submit herself to the headship of her husband without losing her sense of self because she learns to find herself in godly submission to the will and purpose of God for her life as a woman.

## **She Employs Female Sensuality In Everything She Does.**

A smart woman recognizes the importance of female sensuality in her everyday life and never neglects to draw upon its power in her dealings with the opposite sex.

She does so with respect and wisdom and never seeks to abuse this readily available flow of female power. To learn more about this, read my book ***'Understanding Men'***.

## **She Is Humble.**

Humility is an admirable quality it in men or women. A smart woman understands the nature of men; she understands that men generally have an ego problem.

A man wants to feel that his woman is humble and respectful of him.

He doesn't exactly appreciate it when his woman or his wife is proud or tries to assume the position of head of the family or the relationship and he may react to this by getting out of the relationship or by building a silent but dangerous resentment toward her.

Smart girls know this and are careful to act in humility in her dealings with her man.

As a woman however, I would like you to be careful and know how to draw the line between humility and submission to a man.

Do not let a man get you to do something you shouldn't do in the name of humility. Don't let yourself get intimidated by a man trying to get you to do his will because he tries to make you feel that you're not being humble.

Learn to draw the line. Humility does not mean total submissiveness or foolishness. You are to be submissive to your husband and to him alone. No other man is worthy of such honor.

### **Ten signs that say he's Mr. Right.**

Incase you've been dating a man for a while now and are still not sure as to whether or not he's the one I'd suggest you read my book, ***'Are you the right man for me'***.

Meanwhile you should check out this list of ten qualities to look out in the man you are dating which will help you tell if he is the one for you or not.

1. He doesn't stare at every other woman who passes by.
2. He rushes over to comfort you when you're passing through difficult times.
3. He doesn't just love you; he loves everything that has to do with you including your family too.
4. He treats you with love and respect.
5. He's willing to make sacrifices for you.
6. He's not ashamed of you.
7. He sees your shortcomings and inadequacies but still loves you anyway.

8. His love for you is more than skin deep. He loves your very essence not just the shape of your nose, your hips or your mouth.
9. He has a healthy relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.
10. He makes it clear to you (through his words, gestures and actions) that you are the one and only one for him.

### **When Mr. Right becomes Mr. Wrong.**

Unfortunately not all that starts well ends well. There are times when a relationship that started out perfectly starts to give unclear signals to one or both parties about the future of the relationship.

Sometimes your date seems to change and starts to exhibit bad behavior. At such times Mr. Right could be said to have become Mr. Wrong and it's probably a sign to you that its time to say goodbye to the relationship.

Below are some common signs that suggest that all is not well with your relationship and that it may be time to let go.

- a) When he stops being considerate of your feelings or starts intentionally saying hurtful and demeaning things to get at you.
- b) When he starts cheating on you and is not willing to let go.

- c) When he won't return your calls anymore.
- d) When he starts becoming abusive.
- e) When he stops caring about what's going on in your life.
- f) When nothing you do seems to please him anymore.
- g) When he lets you know he's no more interested in the relationship.
- h) When he stops calling you and won't pick your calls either.

### **Wisdom Is A Defense. Why Smart Girls Always Win.**

The whole message of this book is simply to point you to the truth that it takes more than just good intentions or being nice to men to succeed in life or to find the loving committed man you deserve.

It also takes a well thought out plan of action to deal with the challenges which exist in the present day dating scene plus a total and complete involvement of the power and presence of an all loving God and Father who alone can take us by the hand and lead us into the arms of the man of our dreams.

It takes wisdom, the wisdom of God. It takes the leading of the Holy Spirit. It takes taking Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior.

Smart girls know this and they approach the dating scene armed with this knowledge and equipped to face and overcome every obstacle that comes their way.

Smart girls know that they cannot depend on their own wisdom or understanding. Smart girls know that they need to love themselves and to fully engage the presence wisdom of God in their affairs to be assured of good success.

At the end of the day it's not about being too smart or being too nice for our own good. Rather it is about taking care of your business using Godly wisdom and putting your act in order.

## **Chapter 5**

### **FINDING THE LOVE YOU DESERVE; 8 STEPS TO FINDING MR. RIGHT**

As a conclusion to the subject of this book, I would like to offer eight simple steps to finding the man that's right for you.

It is my belief that by following these eight steps a woman will greatly increase the odds of finding Mr. Right in her favor.

#### **First Love Yourself.**

This is a basic requirement that must be met before any form of healthy relationship can be established between you and any man.

If you don't love yourself you will be unable to give or receive love from others.

#### **Get An Education.**

In this day and age it's no more enough for a woman to have a pretty face and a pretty name if she's really serious about increasing the odds of her finding Mr. Right.

These days a woman with a sound education stands a better chance of landing her dream man than one who simply relies on her good looks and figure alone.

Get an education, get a good education and you will be better placed to find the love of the sort of man you desire.

### **Use Time Wisely**

Time is at one and the same time your best friend and your greatest enemy.

There is a time for everything and if you don't act at the right time you pay a price.

The price of not acting at the right time is not getting what you want from life.

There is a phase in a woman's life when getting a man to love and care for you comes easy with no stress.

There is another phase in a woman's life when getting men to take her seriously requires much effort and lots of prayers.

Which would you prefer?

To get a man who will love, provide for, protect and care for you with ease or to go through much heartbreak and sleepless nights without even coming close to your goal?

The choice is yours so use your youth and your time wisely; it's not limitless.

### **Treat Yourself Right.**

Learn to treat yourself right, learn to love you. As a woman you must learn to place reasonable value on yourself before others can begin to think of doing so too.

Don't look down at yourself but don't think too highly of yourself either; these are two extremes to be avoided. Learn to treat yourself with love.

Spoil yourself sometimes. Take yourself out for a manicure and pedicure once in a while even if you can't avoid doing so on a regular basis due to time or financial constraints.

Spoil yourself a little from time to time. Learn to feel good about yourself and soon men will find that they feel good about themselves when they are with you and will start wanting to be around you.

## **Exercise.**

It never does any woman any harm to keep those extra pounds off. For all its worth, keeping in shape will help you look more attractive to the opposite sex.

Exercise also has a way of getting rid of negative nervous energy and helping you reduce stress. Exercise regularly and you'll most likely end up with a healthy mind in a healthy body.

Men find healthy looking women attractive cause they tend to make better mating partners and are more likely to bear strong and healthy children.

## **Build A Healthy Relationship With God.**

My faith leads me to believe that no one can really receive anything good except it comes from the father of lights from whom all good and perfect gifts come.

For you to succeed in your quest to find Mr. Right you need to get the father involved in your business.

In addition, considering the fact that we are only on earth for a short while and that our major business here on earth is to please God it makes good sense that we learn to walk closely with the Father.

The closer we are to him, the more certain it is that we will not miss out on every good and perfect gift which he has lovingly prepared for us in this life time and in the life to come; this off course includes a loving and caring husband.

### **Have a Healthy Social Life**

In your quest to find Mr. Right please do not foolishly shut yourself indoors and expect that some dashing, successful and willing young man will come knocking on your door and announce himself as your God sent husband. Take it from me; it won't happen.

Learn to build a healthy social life. Go out with your male and female friends as much as possible. Keep yourself in circulation.

Go out with as many responsible and well meaning men as you possibly can but don't give in to the spirit of promiscuity.

You are supposed to be dating men with the intent of finding that one right man for you not sleeping with everyman that comes your way.

### **Dress Like a Lady.**

While it's true that it's what is on the inside that matters most we must however not forget to pay adequate

attention to how we look on the outside. Learn to dress well as a woman.

Study current fashion trends and while I wouldn't advise you to copy everything you see people wearing I'd suggest that you try out a few looks and see which ones fit you best.

Once you've found them, stick with them. Learn to dress well and to dress attractively too.

Men may never get to discover what a nice warm and homely person you really are on the inside if they never get to know you because your poor dress sense drives them away.

A word of caution here, don't go with the bare or skimpy look. Too many of our young women are going about wearing clothes that leave them walking about almost nude.

What these women fail to realize is that our clothes also send out a message about our personalities and the message that clothes which show too much of your body sends out about us is that we are a cheap, irresponsible and easy woman available to any man who wants some quick and easy sex.

Dressing nude or irresponsible does not attract love or commitment from a man.

On the contrary dressing nude attracts never do wells or men who are looking for a quick fix to their sexual hangovers.

### **Resist The Urge To Get Desperate.**

Don't allow yourself to ever get desperate in you bid to find Mr. Right. Don't make the first move on a man and don't make yourself cheap.

Respect yourself, treat yourself well, make God your partner in life and play by his rules.

It might seem like it's never going to happen but sooner or later God will give you the desire of your heart and if he doesn't, he will give you something that is even better.

### **Pray**

I believe in God so I believe in prayers. Pray always. The Bible says that we should pray without ceasing.

Learn to always place the desires of your heart before the father.

If they are according to his will they will come to pass. Trust in God with all your heart, lean not onto your own understanding and he will guide and establish you in all your ways.

PS: To get the updated version of “Nice Girl’s Don’t Get Mr. Right” which includes extra resources visit <https://bookcart.tairestephen.com.ng>

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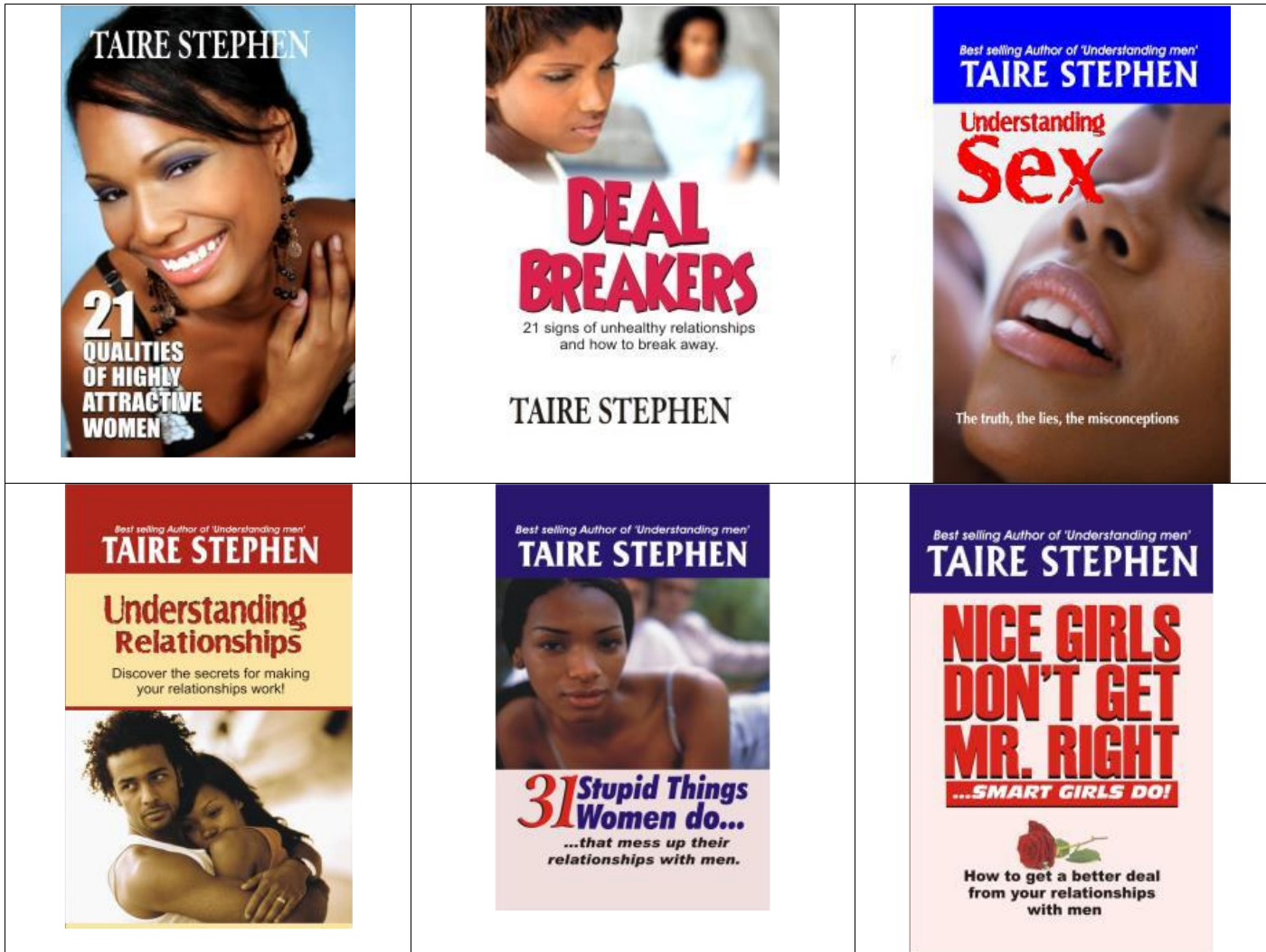
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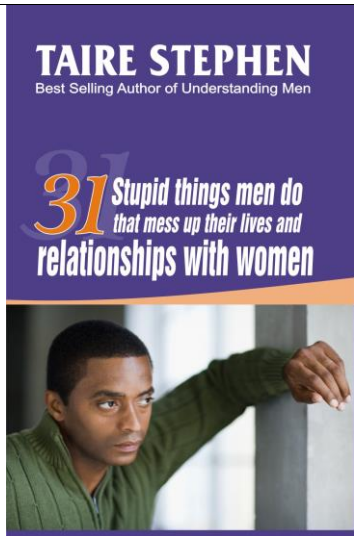
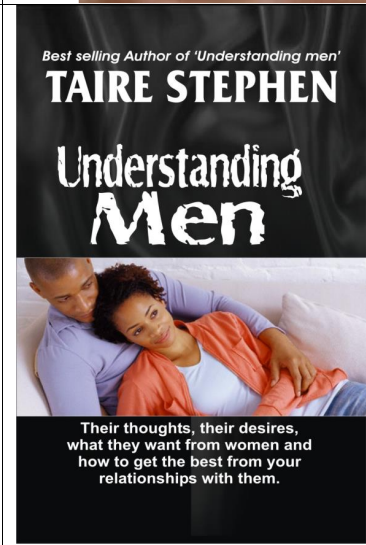
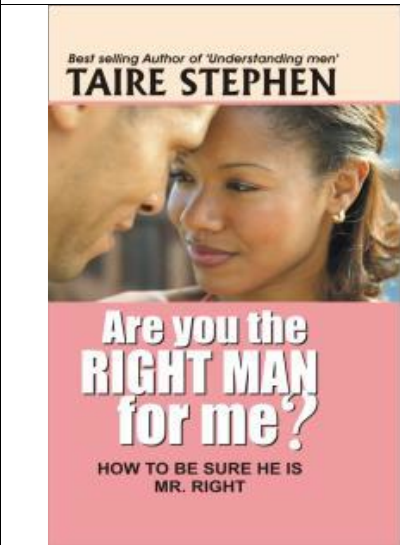
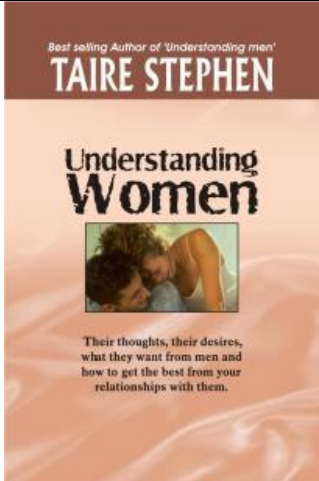
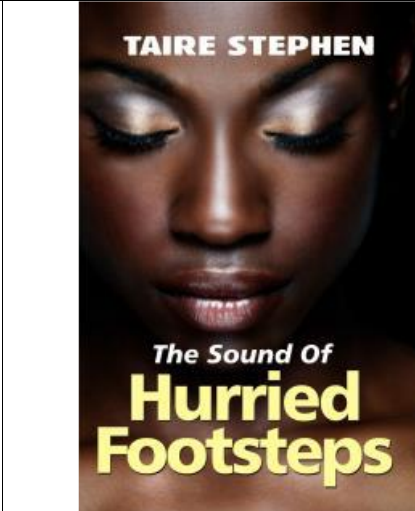
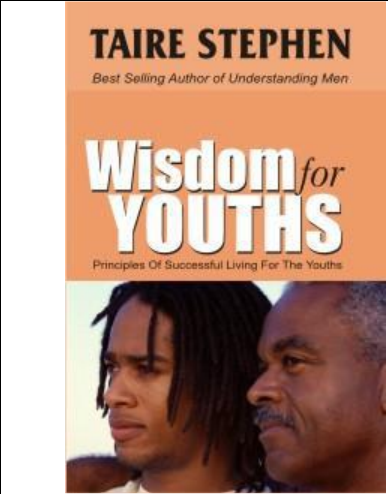
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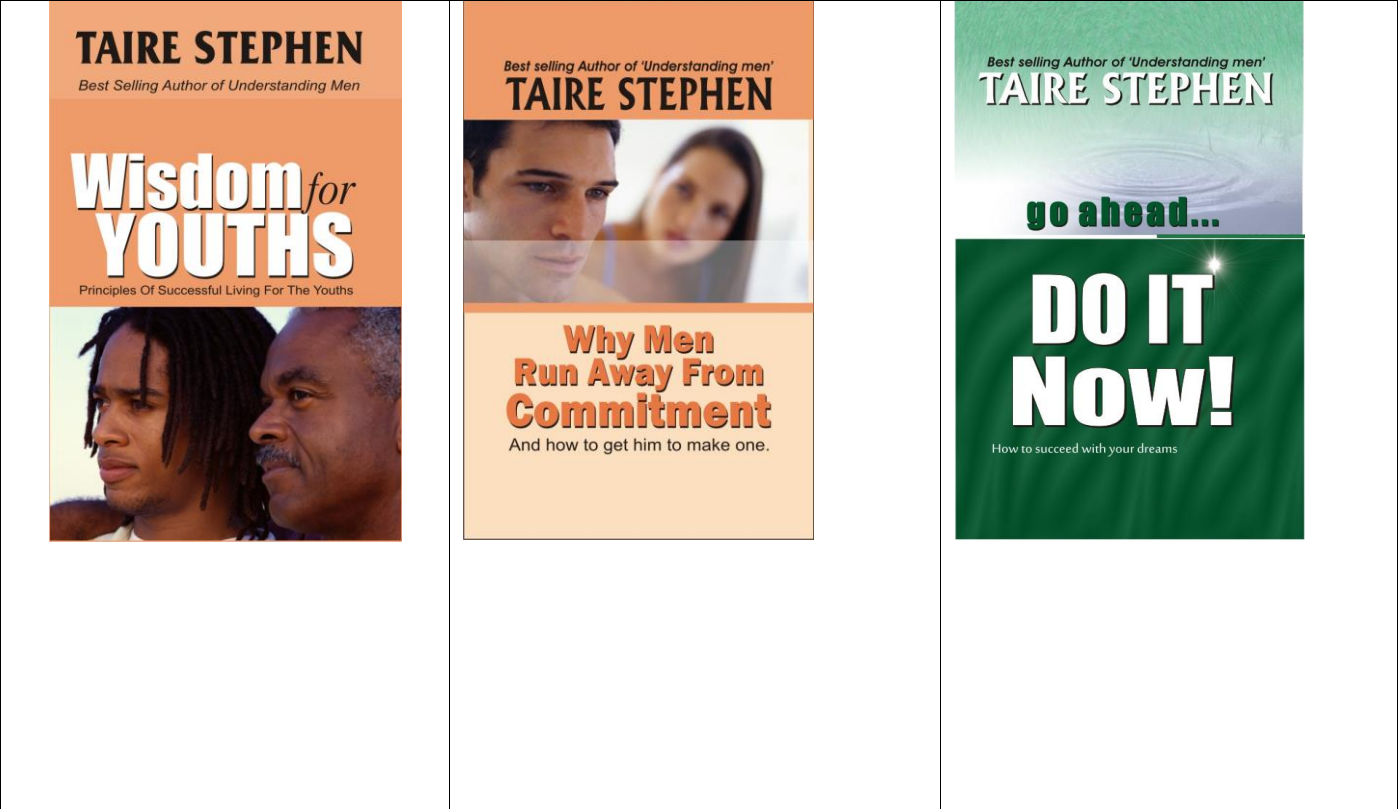
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