

There is More to Life Than Being Someone's Wife.

I now well know that that is a revolutionary idea for some.

It seems to me that many women out there have become marriage obsessed. Yes, I went there. Some of you are indeed obsessed. I suppose there's nothing wrong with that on an individual level, to each his own. It just seems that for [many single women](#) having a man, a new last name, and a ring is the ULTIMATE status symbol. We've now made men the ultimate prize and now chase after them instead of it being the other way around. A man is supposed to find you. Your job is to make yourself available to be found by the right one.



Don't get me wrong. I am pro-marriage. I would love to be in love and be married, but I'm not going to let that define me...anymore. Believe me I KNOW how hard that is as a woman because we are STILL constantly told that our value is still in part determined by whether or not we're valued by a man. Some married women even like to throw that back in single women's faces; and, I suspect that for some that's all they have. That's their only identity. It's something they have that you don't. Woman to woman warfare can be very vicious. Moreover, don't be surprised that while you're looking at your married friend wishing you had a husband and maybe some kids, she may be looking back at you wishing she had your freedom and experiences. And no, I am not

implying that marriage is a jail sentence. The grass isn't always greener, it's just a different type of grass. That's also why I think it's important to ask ourselves [why it is that we want to be married](#) in the first place. Is it because that's what we're told to do or, is it something else?

Rest assured, there is nothing wrong with you. You are not too smart, too educated, too independent, too worldly, too whatever to have what it is that

you desire. I know many of us have received that message in some form or other at some point in time. I for one got tired of twisting myself into a pretzel to be what I thought it was that men wanted. There is a very fine line between doing what you can to make yourself most appealing (some things do need to change) and being disingenuous about who and what you really are. There are pros and cons of each you must be willing to live with the potential consequences of both. I'm not going to dumb myself down and I hope you won't either (if you are, something is wrong see, paragraph 3). Personally, once I let go of the idea that being single was a problem that I must fix, I was a whole lot happier and thus more attractive. My mojo is definitely back! (If you follow me on Twitter you know what that means)

For me, this is part of the reason why I've had to change some social circles and blogs that I frequent. I am a sensitive person (hey, it's who I am!) and I have to protect myself; but, that doesn't mean that I can't take constructive criticism and make changes when needed either.

In the meantime, [enjoy the single life](#) and the journey. You might not have this time in your life again.