



The Way Things Should Be

Completing The Person

Men

A man needs affirmation from his father to genuinely move into manhood. Alternatively, affirmation can come from trusted elders of some sort. This is what happens in male initiation ceremonies in primitive tribes, as well as those for women.¹

The problem today is that this vital action isn't taking place and the failure has produced what many call, "the fatherless generation". Even when fathers are present, they can be so busy with work, problems or their own selfishness, that they fail to carry out this critical duty for the next generation.

Some have suggested a modern formal ceremony,² called a "rite of passage". There are ones for girls (such as the old-fashioned *débutante* ball or the Spanish *Quinceañera*), but not for boys. However, the process must be real to the young man or boy so that a 'switch' is 'turned on' inside them so they know that they know that they're a man. Otherwise, it's just another empty ceremony.

Actually, there's a process that young men have to go through to really know they've arrived at male maturity. This takes quite some time and often isn't accomplished until they're in their late 40s or even their 50s. This involves dealing with all the baggage and hurts from both their parents so they can forgive them and see them, like himself, as a fallible human being.

At this juncture the man should be able to recognise what their parents have instilled in them that's positive. These are what have allowed them to be a complete adult. There are 2 gifts a young man needs from his parents for this to take place – one from the father and one from the mother. There may be more, but there must be one from each to allow the man to settle comfortably into their manhood.

Jon (Jonathan) Welton in his manhood journey identifies his two gifts:³

- Father – Tenacity
- Mother – Unconditional love

It's worth listening to Jon explain his journey so his experience can assist young men and boys to complete their own journey into male completeness. Here's the link:

VIDEO: "The Bulletproof Husbands series ep 5 of 6" (Jonathan Welton)
www.youtube.com/watch?v=oEBkyq3Q1gc

⌘ Pathways foundation offers a 5-day bush camp for boys aged 13-15 entitled 'Pathways into Manhood'⁴. The Governor General, David Hurley, and his wife, Linda Hurley, are the joint patrons of the Pathways Foundation. This says a great deal for the organisation.

1 – "Aboriginal Initiation Ceremonies from Central Australia" ozoutback.com.au/Australia/abinitca/index.html

2 – "Manhood Ceremony for a Boy Becoming a Man"
religiousaffections.org/articles/articles-on-children-and-family/manhood-ceremony-for-a-boy-becoming-a-man
"Creating Family Traditions: Celebrating My Son with a Manhood Ceremony"
yourteenmag.com/family-life/communication/manhood-ceremony

3 – "Narcissists have incomplete relationships with their parents ep 5 of 6" www.youtube.com/watch?v=oEBkyq3Q1gc

4 – pathwaysfoundation.org.au/manhood



Women

By the same token a girl needs to be released into womanhood by her father. She needs to know she is acknowledged as capable, valued for who she is, and a valuable person for what she can offer to the world, society and family. She also needs to have been prepared for life and released by her mother so she can take up her role as a wife and mother when that time eventuates.

With both parents working in most families these days it's most likely that young women are not being fully prepared for life and are not affirmed by both their father and mother so they are complete when they leave home. The busyness of dual working parents in their desire to provide a high standard of living, with more non-essential things for their children, has led to the neglect of the need for a girl to feel complete as a woman.

Unfortunately, the gender wars in society today has created angst and hostility in the lives of girls and young women so they are misdirected from being established in their womanhood. The world is paying a great price for this as females are not allowed to be women any more.

Society is training young women to be equal to or better than men. This overrides the inherent feminine 'psyche' in women which was built into them at creation for their role as Ezer⁵. Some examples include unconditional love, affection, caring, the nesting instinct and the desire to give birth children. These instincts were strong in the women in my immediate family, even to the point of having an additional child when the decision had been made to limit the family size as it was at that time.

It's fine for the individual woman to determine that she will remain single and go to the top of her profession, but it wreaks havoc among women who are indoctrinated with aggressive women's lib ideology. Later in life, these women may suffer various forms of mental health issues due to their failure to fulfil those innate desires. This medical downside is not the focus of current research and is not countered by parents ensuring their daughters are raised to be women and released to make good decisions on their future roles in life.

Also 'raising its head' these days against femininity is trans (transgender) ideology and its war against women.

⌘ Pathways foundation also offers a 5-day residential program for girls aged 12-15 entitled 'Pathways into Womanhood'⁶.



I was never affirmed by my father, quite the opposite. What saved me was my recognition as a young man of 16 that other people were able to affirm me. I then made an inner vow to become a self-made man and went about that for most of my early adult life. I was eventually rescued by Father and fully completed by him through a long process so that I'm now fully secure in myself and content in my identity as his much-loved son.

I include this information to give support to all those who weren't affirmed by their father in their youth and released to the world as real men and women. Our perfect Father can do it for you in a perfect way. He can take you through the process of forgiving your parents and show you what gift(s) they gave you for your adult life, just like he did for me. To make it happen, you'll need to see him as your perfect Father, give yourself to him, desire him to change your life and leave the rest up to him to carry out.

5 – "5-Revealing Ezer" canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/05-Revealing-Ezer.pdf

6 – pathwaysfoundation.org.au/womanhood



Men, if you have a good relationship with a confident, capable, stable 'man's man', he may be able to walk you through the process. Watch Jonathan Welton's video together and see where that leads.

Ladies, if you are in a loving, open, mature relationship with your husband, he may be able to affirm you and help bring you through to completion. Let him read this article and watch the video, and then broach the possibility with him. Otherwise, 'work it out' with Father.

RESOURCE



Dads4Kids⁷ is a great organisation to help fathers raise the children so they can be who they were created to be.

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