

## About the Power of Women

### Contemplations on the Feminine Side of Life

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When will our consciences grow so tender that we will act to prevent human misery rather than avenge it?

—*Eleanor Roosevelt*

The education and empowerment of women throughout the world cannot fail to result in a more caring, tolerant, just and peaceful life for all.

—*Aung San Suu Kyi*

Most women are one man away from welfare.

—*Gloria Steinem*

The problem that has no name—which is simply the fact that women are kept from growing to their full human capacities—is taking a far greater toll on the physical and mental health of our country than any known disease.

—*Betty Friedan*

Lasting change is a series of compromises.

And compromise is all right,  
as long your values don't change.

—*Jane Goodall*

A bird doesn't sing because it has an answer,  
it sings because it has a song.

—*Maya Angelou*

Every time we liberate a woman, we liberate a man.

—*Margaret Mead*

Freedom is always and exclusively freedom  
for the one who thinks differently.

—*Rosa Luxemburg*

Not knowing when the dawn will come, I open every door.

—*Emily Dickinson*

Men are taught to apologize for their weaknesses,  
women for their strengths.

—*Lois Wyse*

In politics if you want anything said, ask a man.

If you want anything done, ask a woman.

—*Margaret Thatcher*

There is a special place in hell for women

who do not help other women.  
—*Madeleine K. Albright*

True generosity must benefit both parties.  
No woman can control her destiny  
if she doesn't give to herself as much as she gives of herself.  
—*Suze Orman*

I don't want to get to the end of my life and find that  
I lived just the length of it.  
I want to have lived the width of it as well.  
—*Diane Ackerman*

When women are depressed, they eat or go shopping.  
Men invade another country.  
It's a whole different way of thinking.  
—*Elayne Boosler*

Instead of getting hard ourselves and trying to compete,  
women should try and give their best qualities to men,  
bring them softness, teach them how to cry.  
—*Joan Baez*

Women need real moments of solitude and self-reflection to  
balance out how much of ourselves we give away.  
—*Barbara De Angelis*

The thing women have yet to learn is nobody gives you power.  
You just take it.  
—*Roseanne Barr*

Whoever said money can't buy happiness simply didn't  
know where to shop.  
—*Bo Derek*

We need four hugs a day for survival.  
We need eight hugs a day for maintenance.  
We need twelve hugs a day for growth.  
—*Virginia Satir*

The most common way people give up their power  
is by thinking they don't have any.  
—*Alice Walker*

I'm not afraid of storms, for I'm learning to sail my ship.  
—*Louisa May Alcott*

Just don't give up trying to do what you really want to do.  
Where there is love and inspiration, I don't think you can go wrong.  
—*Ella Fitzgerald*

If you look at what you have in life, you'll always have more.  
If you look at what you don't have in life, you'll never have enough.  
—*Oprah Winfrey*

I am woman! I am invincible! I am pooped!  
—*Author Unknown*

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