

Women - Freedom from Abusive Authority

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Are abused women doomed to live as victims of abuse forever? We don't think so. The world at large would try to convince women there's no hope but that's a lie. Glenna and I have traveled many places functioning in the role of spiritual counselors. In our travels, we have heard amazing stories describing a horrendous variety of abuses to which male authority figures have subjected women. Here are a few common examples.

An abusive father can be one who is absent. He might have children from another marriage that are obviously more important than you are. He might spend time with women other than your mother, which betrays the marriage covenant and abandons you. He might be a workaholic and spend all of his time away from the home. He may have important hobbies or be an alcoholic always focused on his own needs and desires, conveying the message that these other activities are more important than you are. This tells you that you don't have the right to have feelings, emotions, wants or needs and could cause you to experience a world of shame, rejection, and abandonment.
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