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Chopped Hands, Chopped esteem but not chopped destiny

Jackline Mwende’s case is in court, so I cannot discuss much or take sides. But as per her claims, her husband went into a frenzy and attacked her because she hadn’t conceived in their seven-year marriage

Jackline told The Associated Press that tests done three years ago showed that her husband is the one with reproductive “issues”  – not her. She said their relationship deteriorated after the tests and that her husband did not show up for treatment as doctors prescribed.



The physical and emotional attack has its root cause: barrenness. There are so many areas of barrenness in our lives today; such include Economical barrenness, social barrenness and spiritual barrenness. All this result to desperation, drug abuse, lack of self esteem, divorce, child abuse, etc. How can we overcome our “barrenness” and re shape our destiny? In my own opinion we can confront such. Here are some of my recommendations

1. When faced with circumstances, Accept. – Acceptance is the first and paramount step one can make to overcome situations. Accept that you have lost your job, accept that you did not do well there, but you can do much better elsewhere! Accept that you may not have the fruits of your womb or manhood, but you can still have greater fruits of your heart and kindness through adoption for instance! Your business isn’t bringing the much needed turnover like your peer’s, sure but that’s not end..unless you make !you spend most of your money educating your siblings and now they have done greater things than you, relax! Run your race not theirs..I can go on and on with this, thank you for getting my point! We should not allow situations to chop our destiny
2. Finding a lasting solution: situations are not permanent unless we make them look like, and once we make them look like, they end up becoming! Solutions may not necessarily come from us , but we must find them where they are, be it seeking guidance and counseling from professionals, turning passions into business plans, moving out from illicit relationships, changing lifestyle to what we can manage..yea..let them talk about your degrading, but not your bothersome borrowing habits! Stop the blame game, it will never work. The more you blame others the more you lose time to turn things around for your good
3. Believing in ourselves. We are our greatest marketers, for a vision is never shared. Believe in your dreams, believe in your change, move with it, you may fall, but wake up and face your fears and downfalls. When other people see failure in you, you have to be your greatest support. Believe in yourself in a matter of time, you will count your blessings

Mwende with Machakos County governor’s wife who paid her a visit at her home and donated 30,000Ksh (USD 295) per month for her upkeep. She further received Ksh 100,000 (USD 1000) from well wishers. LG Electronics Eastern Africa has pledged to foot medical bills of Jackline Mwende, and ensure she gets artificial limbs at the PCEA Kiluyu Hospital in Kiambu County.

As I wish Jackline quick recovery, In 2015, Kenya passed a domestic violence law which had been pending since 2002. It criminalised a range of offences from verbal abuse and intimidation to assault and rape. I do hope that the law takes effect, and this kind of brutality will face the justice it deserves.

Mwende has so far received financial and medical support which despite her condition I can conclude that her destiny is not chopped.