

## Mom and Apple Pie

\*\*Dedicated to the mothers out there who suffer in silence.

We often hear the phrase that certain things in America are like “Mom and Apple Pie.” Well, somehow apple pie has managed to enter the 21<sup>st</sup> century in better shape than a lot of mothers. Mothers in America have a multitude of issues that they need to deal with. They have to work, keep a house in respectable order, drive their kids to soccer and baseball games, and help them with their homework. But many do this heroic work while dealing with one other issue: suffering spousal abuse.

This next question is directed at all of my fellow brothers in Christ: how are we supposed to have our children grow to be strong Christian men when we allow their primary nurturer to be abused? Here are some (of the many) statistics pointing out how enormous this problem is:

- A woman is beaten (approx.) every 20 seconds
- The vast majority of husbands who abuse their wives grew up in a house where abuse took place
- Pregnant women are more likely to die at the hands of the baby’s father than any other cause

If we want to curb the violence we see in our streets then we have to curb the violence in our homes first. Our children need to be raised in homes where men treat women in a Christ-like manner, which will allow the next generation to grow up and raise their children to behave like Christians as well. Because as the Lord says: If there be a controversy between men, and they come unto judgment, that the judges may judge them; then they shall justify the righteous, and condemn the wicked. (Deuteronomy 25:1)

God Bless America,

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