

Musings on a friend's 2-year anniversary

131 upvotes | 3 September, 2014 | by Archwinger

Marriages are like a different language. You live in a house with a stranger. So does she. Neither one of you is the person the other dated.

She's so different, you barely recognize her. You still love her. You always have. But you wonder what happened to the woman you fell in love with, and if she's ever coming back. The woman she is today is a pale shadow of that woman. So snide, bitchy, disrespectful. She still has her good side, but for no reason at all, she seems so hell-bent on being self-destructive. On burning your marriage to the ground. What kind of person treats the people who love her most this way? It's insanity. She's insane.

She feels the same way. She loves you, but she's not in love with you, and it's your fault. She loved you so much for so long, but in her eyes, you never loved her back as much as she loved you. Sure, you went to work every day at a job you hate so that she never had to, and when you got home, even though you were exhausted and just wanted to sit on the couch, you helped get dinner ready, played with the kids, washed the dishes, and cleaned up around the house, because you love her. But two weeks ago was your 29-month anniversary, and you got her a card and some flowers even though 29 isn't a multiple of 12 or 6 – in fact it's a prime number – but you didn't take her out and wine and dine her and make her feel special. And then you tried to have sex with her that night. In fact, the only time you ever want to touch her or express any interest in her is when you want sex!

Of course you want to have sex with her! You're a heterosexual man with no physical or chemical abnormalities, and she's your wife. And you're not teenagers. You're not interested in making out then going to bed with blue balls. Kissing just doesn't do it for you. If you start touching your wife, you're going to eventually want that to lead to sex. Sure, she's not quite as hot as she was 29 months ago, but she gained that weight and those stretch-marks carrying your children. Those are war wounds. You love her more, not less, for sacrificing her body to do that for your family. Sure, she ought to lose the weight and try a little harder with her appearance, but she's with the kids for much of the day, and you realize that. But the fact that you want to have sex with her is normal. Husbands are supposed to have sex with their wives, aren't they? And wives are supposed to want to have sex with their husbands, right? If anything, she should be reassured that after all this time, you still desire her sexually. It makes no sense that she's offended at the very notion of having sex with someone who loves her as much as you do, and who does so much for her.

She's so angry all the time. Back when you two were dating, you used to try so hard. She wanted to have sex anyway, but the fact that you were willing to go to such great lengths to win her over made her feel good about herself. Like she meant something to you. Now you don't do any of that. You're so thoughtless. You just go through the motions. You don't love her any more. She has to tell you to do every little thing around the house and practically beg for your help with something. You never take initiative and just do something that needs doing without being asked. It's like a switch turned off the second she married you, and now she's your mother. And she's so tired from doing every single thing, and managing you to make sure you do everything right. She's just so angry, and then you want sex when you're so oblivious to how she feels? How distant you've been?

You feel the same way. It's like a switch turned off the second you married her. Now you're just her meal ticket. She used to dress up for your dates because she wanted to look good for you and wanted you to want her. She was playful, flirty, she smiled, she made interesting conversation, she wanted you to want her and made the effort. And the night always ended with sex. You could have dated that woman forever.

You thought marrying her would be exactly that. You try to show her that you love her, but the last time you invited her to meet you at your office so the two of you could go out for lunch, she showed up in sweats, a T-shirt, and flip-flops, with her hair in a 5-second ponytail, and wasn't even wearing her wedding ring. Your coworkers were too polite to say anything, but she reflected poorly on you. They wonder if your marriage is okay, especially your female co-workers, because they know something you don't: the way your wife dressed that day was your fault. You let your marriage get to that point, and she shows all the signs of a woman who's just not trying any more, and you're blind to it because you're a man.

Now she's confused. Her heart tells her she doesn't love you any more, but her mind tells her to stay in it for the kids. But while you were at work yesterday and the kids were at school, she was sitting down watching *The View*, and what those very wise ladies said made a lot of sense! The kids would want her to be happy. No kid wants to be in a house where mom's unhappy and just going through the motions. She needs to get out. For the kids! And for herself.

Something's different about her. She's smiling, making you dinner every night without complaining like she usually does, she's dressing nicer again, she's been hitting the gym with a vengeance while the kids are at school. She's chatting amicably with you again. Those ladies at the neighborhood book club she's been going to meet every Thursday night must be rubbing off on her. You're starting to see shades of the woman she used to be coming back. Your sex life still sucks, but maybe that's on the way back, too!

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Comments

SkorchZang • 43 points • 3 September, 2014 10:40 PM

That was brilliant, Archwinger. A ping-pong horror story Stephen King wouldn't be embarrassed of.

It's beautiful how the real story is all in what's been left deliberately unsaid by the Zen master, just reading the sidebar will fill in all those blanks for the reader with independent realization.

redpillbanana • 3 points • 4 September, 2014 07:13 PM

Agreed, very well-written.

If you want to read more stories like this, take a look at /r/DeadBedrooms.

fx-115escomment score below threshold • -19 points • 4 September, 2014 05:57 AM

Weak minds prone to feminazi fbs like this.

Fhqwghads • 23 points • 3 September, 2014 10:58 PM

Basically word for word the situation I was in with my wife until I found this sub, minus the last paragraph. She was great when we were dating, then after marriage became bitchy and unapproachable most nights.

Now I'm holding frame more often, passing more shit tests than before, making decisions, and applying dread game. Sex life has improved from a couple of times a month to every day. Sex acts that she previously forbid have since been offered and explored.

She's willing and eager to let me fuck her any way I want, because I've finally shown her that I'm desirable outside of the marriage, and my SMV has skyrocketed with my confidence.

Back to the point of the post, marriage really puts a magnifying glass on the differences between men and women and how we respond to each other and interpret each others actions. TRP is a fucking Rosetta Stone, though, and it helps those of us who chose this adventure to be able to converse with the locals in ways they can understand in order to come to a mutually beneficial arrangement.

KyfhoMyoba • 20 points • 3 September, 2014 11:43 PM

The last paragraph is implying that she's cheating.

Fhqwghads • 31 points • 3 September, 2014 11:49 PM

Agreed. I'm not sure how that information applies to my response.

SkorchZang • 13 points • 4 September, 2014 02:08 AM

Even scarier, it sounded like she was busy putting up a deceptive front after setting the divorce rape doomsday machine in motion. The husband will be "blindsided" when he is served with the court papers, which is the best way to take him for all he's got, while still emotionally reeling and defenseless.

Archwinger[S] • 28 points • 4 September, 2014 03:09 AM

Cheating women are often unseasonably pleasant to their husbands, always doing nice (non-sexual) things, not complaining as much, being downright nice.

It's not just because they feel guilty. It's because they're done. She's checked out and moved on emotionally, so she's no longer shit testing her man. He's not her man any more, so there's no need to

worry about his fitness.

[deleted] • 5 points • 4 September, 2014 10:21 AM

Yes, the lack of fight left in her is actually one of the biggest warning signs that things have reached critical levels.

[deleted] • 1 point • 4 September, 2014 04:34 AM

That's where I'm at right now. It's actually very pleasant, and I am getting better pussy from outside anyway.

[deleted] • 2 points • 4 September, 2014 09:02 AM

But whats the next move for you then? If this is the scenario, you have be proactive about whats going to happen. Don't let the divorce all be dictated to you if thats the path its heading down.

[deleted] • 5 points • 4 September, 2014 12:53 PM

Next move for me is enjoy my life. She makes more money than I do and we have no kids (community property state) so my exposure is minimal. If she wants to bail, that's fine.

[deleted] • 3 points • 4 September, 2014 02:03 PM

glad you've got things sorted. :)

BluepillProfessor • 11 points • 4 September, 2014 02:33 AM

This shot bolts of lightning down my spine and made me shiver uncontrollably. It is the difference between being a clueless Bluepill and having Red Pill awareness.

The woman she is today is a pale shadow of that woman. So snide, bitchy, disrespectful. She still has her good side, but for no reason at all, she seems so hell-bent on being self-destructive. On burning your marriage to the ground.

I have said it before and I will say it again. ANY woman will make you fall in love, throw sex at you like rain until you ring it, marry you, start cutting back the sex (often on the Honeymoon) and then will start to become short/disrespectful/rude, Shit Test you into oblivion, cut back the sex to once a month if you are lucky, drive you to an early grave, and then Piss on it.

IF you let her.

With Red Pill awareness you have some control of the 'bitchy, disrespectful' words. Just don't tolerate it. Not a single rude or disrespectful word. Not a single disrespectful action or tone. If you permit ANY of it she will continue pushing until Archwingers prophesy comes true.

[deleted] • 14 points • 4 September, 2014 12:06 AM

I have friends who are approaching their 7-9 year anniversaries (depending on the friend). And I'm only 24. These guys have spent their entire adult lives (and much of their teenager years) worrying about their GFs, who will undoubtedly become their wives. I absolutely pity these couples, and this post really displays why. The second you put that ring on your little princess's finger, everything will change. For the amount of time, money, and effort these guys have spent dating their precious snowflake, these guys could have been doing any number of awesome things. And soon, they will realize they have exhausted a ridiculous amount of resources on someone that will grow to despise them.

I wish these guys the very best, however the odds are most definitely against them. Don't get married friends. The juice just ain't worth the squeeze

[deleted] • 4 points • 4 September, 2014 10:27 AM

Maybe I misinterpreted, but I think the point he was making is that if you stop putting in the effort to keep your sexual desirability up, just because you're married, this is how things play out. "I go to work, pay the bills and do the dishes sometimes, why doesn't she appreciate that with her vagina? Sure I've put on some weight and spend most of my free time playing video games, but she's supposed to want me regardless right?" Nope.

No matter what your situation, single or married, if you want to have a strong sexual relationship with a woman, you have to be the attractive guy she wants to screw. Wives are no different. That's why they bitch and go sour, some part of them is pissed they're stuck with a man they're no longer attracted to and they have no idea what to do about it.

Independentmale • 4 points • 4 September, 2014 04:48 PM

Holy shit, arch. You nailed my marriage and the marriage of nearly every man I know. All except the last paragraph - my wife never got past the wallowing in her misery part. I kind of wish she had, would have been a lot easier to end it if she would have fucked around.

I would come home from work to find her still in her pajamas, dirty breakfast dishes on the dining room table and the nice clean floors I spent so much time sweeping and mopping the night before would be filthy again. She hated sex and shamed me for wanting her every chance she got.

Never again will I put myself into a position where breaking up with a woman involves lawyers and court dates. I like an LTR with a good woman, but I'm always going to retain the ability to walk away without all of that hassle and expense. I would have dumped my wife 10 years earlier if she had just been a girlfriend and I would have been far better off for it.

Flaye2 • 3 points • 4 September, 2014 11:00 AM

Very enjoyable read.

On the topic of marriage, when a man looks at it as a business contract rather than some sacred spiritual bond, then he'll know to never get married.

mordanus • 3 points • 4 September, 2014 02:41 AM

Well written and depressing to think about how many people this has applied to.

let_terror_reign • 3 points • 4 September, 2014 02:48 AM

This is a really nice read, as a former blue pill most of this still sounds very nice and warm. The last para is a slap in the face. And should be recognized as that

dhump • 4 points • 4 September, 2014 03:27 AM

I actually had someone say to me years ago when I was taking steps to improve myself (primarily started with working out again) "You're married, you settled down and gained a little weight, isn't that what's supposed to happen?"

[deleted] • 2 points • 4 September, 2014 06:34 PM*

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usually does, she's dressing nicer again, she's been hitting the gym with a vengeance while the kids are at school. She's chatting amicably with you again. Those ladies at the neighborhood book club she's been going to meet every Thursday night must be rubbing off on her. You're starting to see shades of the woman she used to be coming back. Your sex life still sucks, but maybe that's on the way back, too!

The part where she rides the cock of the hot alpha guy she met somewhere. Every Thursday night.

[deleted] • 1 point • 4 September, 2014 11:42 PM*

Arch, Someone posted your user page the other day... I have to say, I was amused reading through your posts, I learned things, and all in all I was very glad to have stumbled across it.

Your stuff is very good to read, thanks for your writings.

Lady clocked out. Dude is getting nexted.

It's always such a pain to hear about women expecting guys to know their personal needs/wants. If this lady had just communicated/hinted enough about what she wants... well, therein lies the paradox: if she has to tell you, it reduces your value and dries up the v-jay-jay.

randyquestions • 1 point • 5 September, 2014 11:53 PM

Does marriage really take a turn like it says here? I don't think I ever want to get married then!

lonGterMgoalS • 1 point • 3 September, 2014 09:38 PM

2 year anniversary? To his wife or TRP?

This is some sad shit to read. I don't get the point, no offense. I'm sure this resonates for some but this is not something I would be ok with.

Invalidity • 9 points • 3 September, 2014 11:10 PM

First half of the post demonstrates that the husband put a lot of time and effort into the marriage, had expectations for the marriage, but was miserably faced with reality. He thought his wife would stay the way she was when he was dating her.

At the end, his wife is back on the hunt; she's working out, dressing more provocatively, being more socially active with others, etc.

The story paints a picture of the all-too-common marriage. Two people enter into a marriage with vastly different expectations. Husband isn't as attractive and as dominant as she expected him to be, and the wife doesn't maintain her appeal like she used to.

lonGterMgoalS • 1 point • 3 September, 2014 11:53 PM

Thanks for clarifying. I understood the scenario in the OP how you described. There are still aspects of TRP that, while I can sympathize with, I find hard imagining how guys settle for this in a marriage.

Being married myself I can't see why a guy would stay married to a woman who makes their life miserable.

Lumberjack1234 • 1 points • 4 September, 2014 12:03 AM **[recovered]**

Well, that's exactly what the point of the story is. The guy is clueless. For us redpillers the sad state of affairs is obvious, but for the average guy it's just a normal marriage.

Fulgidus • 6 points • 3 September, 2014 10:31 PM

This is the path to betrayal my friend...

Next phase is her having the tingles for a young gym instructor and going out for pubs chasing cocks...

Sad shit indeed... I've seen this pattern before... So cliché...

lonGterMgoalS • 3 points • 3 September, 2014 11:56 PM

Sad shit indeed... I've seen this pattern before... So cliché...

I've seen it before too. However TRP has been an eye opener because it's allowed me to view it from the inside. I've seen friends put up with shit and never got what was going through their head. Reading this sub and other sites, forums, blogs has answered that question for me.