

**What We Really Want**  
(How God made our hearts)  
from Wild at Heart by John Eldredge)

*Every man wants:*

1. A battle to fight - life requires a man to be *fierce* and *fiercely devoted*.
2. An adventure to live - God is wild, dangerous, unfettered, and free; He designed men to carry His likeness.
3. A beauty to rescue - a man needs someone to fight for; nothing is so inspiring to a man as a beautiful woman; she'll make him charge the castle, slay the giant, hit the homerun.

Prov 28:1 NIV

The wicked man flees though no one pursues,  
but the righteous are as bold as a lion.

*Every woman wants:*

1. To be fought for - she wants to be wanted, pursued, cherished.
2. An adventure to share - she knows she is not *the* adventure. She wants to be strong and *part* of an adventure led by *her* man.
3. To have a beauty to unveil - as a little girl, she longs to capture her daddy's delight; she yearns not to be seen as a "*tireless worker*" but as the "*captivating woman*" of a *fierce adventurer*.

Song of Solomon 2:8-13 NIV

Listen! My lover! Look! Here he comes, leaping across the mountains,  
bounding over the hills. My lover is like a gazelle or a young stag.  
Look! There he stands behind our wall, gazing through the windows,  
peering through the lattice. My lover spoke and said to me,  
"Arise, my darling, my beautiful one, and come with me. See! The winter is past; the rains are over  
and gone. Flowers appear on the earth, the season of singing has come, the cooing of doves is heard in  
our land. The fig tree forms its early fruit ;the blossoming vines spread their fragrance. Arise, come,  
my darling; my beautiful one, come with me."