To desire is to be alive. Desire is the fire that ignites us, moves us forward, and brings possibilities to life. No one ever got what they needed without wanting it. And only when we *want* more can we *have* more. Isn't that why it's so sad to see a friend "give up," or settle for too little?

The strength of our desire determines *if* and *when* we reach our heart's goals. Desire can burn through all the obstacles, both outer and inner, to having what we need and want. Desire enlivens us, and empowers us to move mountains.

## DESIRE IN GOD'S PLAN

Desire is part of God's plan to fulfill us. The deeper we see into the beauty of what God made, the more we want it-and the more it wants to give itself to us. A woman who is seen and desired will give of herself more freely than one who is not. Wouldn't you do the same? It's natural. Anyone who is loved and desired beautifully opens like a flower, revealing ever more wonders.

The world God created is more than adequate to fulfill us. Life will give you its best as long as you love and desire it—and your desire is truly *loving*. When you really see a person, and you want them for who they are, you are fulfilling some of their deepest needs. And they in turn will fill you. The circle of love-desire will fill you both. That's God's Plan.

## GOD'S PLAN DEPENDS ON UNSELFISH DESIRE

Healthy desire never steals: it feels, kneels, and heals. When you desire unselfishly, you don't feel separate from what you love. You're driven to care for and give to your beloved—*instead of* self-seeking. A mother will change her lifestyle when she realizes that whatever she eats, her baby eats; and what she feels, her baby feels. So she watches her diet, and even directs the thoughts that create her moods.

Healthy desire inspires and requires us to love, serve, give. So if we want to remain uncommitted, insensitive, and selfish, we avoid healthy desire. But avoiding desire cuts off our life, strength, and sense of connection. And costs us opportunities for fulfillment. After all, who wants a selfish lover? And who will reveal delicate beauty to greedy eyes?

## ENTER THE CIRCLE

The beauty in store for us is infinite, and it will care for us as we care for it. Whatever we truly love, need, and desire is ours for the loving.

And obviously, to *keep* anything beautiful, we must keep wanting it even after we *get it*. A woman's husband stopped wanting her after he got her. How sad for both of them. Would you want to stay where you're not wanted?

Whatever you cherish forever—want, need, and feed every day—is forever yours. The beauty God made will unfold endlessly in the light of your love.