Lyn87 *says:*

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MarcusD delivers the goods again!

Holy cow – that woman is nuts, and so is everyone who responded to her thus far (is anyone on Catholic Answers even Catholic?). Her first, obvious, problem, is that she's Catholic and divorced (not even annulled), which makes remarriage in the church impossible for her – so her crush on / lust for the guy is moot. In addition, several of the things she wrote jumped out at me:

- 1) She says her marriage was "very abusive" without declaring what she means (we all know that DV is rare, one-sided DV is less than half of those cases, and male-on-female DV is the least likely subset of that small subset). I simply do not believe women when they say that their past relationships were abusive unless it is to confess their *own* abusive behavior.
- 2) She's fat. She claims to have lost 50 pounds and she's still fat! No wonder she doesn't have a man in her life. She says how much she *lost*, but without knowing her starting weight, that information is useless – but her concern that he may be turned off by her current weight is telling. Going from 170 to 120 is a LOT different than going from 385 to 335.
- 3) Quality men don't view fat, broke, post-wall single moms as sexual/romantic prospects any more than the girls on the USC cheer-leading squad look at the neck-beards in the campus "Atheist-Plus" club that way. That means that she's obsessed with a guy who probably doesn't know she's alive, except insofar as he interacts with her because he's a genuinely nice guy who wants to help her kid... aaaaand... she's paying him.
- 4) She says the boys need a father. That's true, but they already have one... She says he's out of the picture, but she doesn't say WHY. (Does she have a court order keeping him away? Did she interfere with his visitation like most custodial mothers do until he just gave up? Did she harass him when he tried to be a father to his sons, or did she get the cops to do it for her? How thoroughly has she poisoned his kids against him?)
- 5) She's **totally obsessed** with the music teacher. (What? A chick with a history of bad relationships falls for a drummer she barely knows? What?!?! That's un-possible!) So now she has a severe case of oneitis with an unobtainable man. When she says it's not a "crush" or "lust" she's just letting her hamster do the talking. She claims that she's deeply in love with him, but she barely knows him. She doesn't even know if he's Catholic, although that seems to be important to her (except insofar as Catholic doctrine talks about things like the permanence of marriage, the romantic and sexual constraints on divorcees, and a married women like her obsessing over another man).

I'll bet dollars-to-donuts that she thinks of herself as "strong," too. What a catch.