

I AM WOMAN

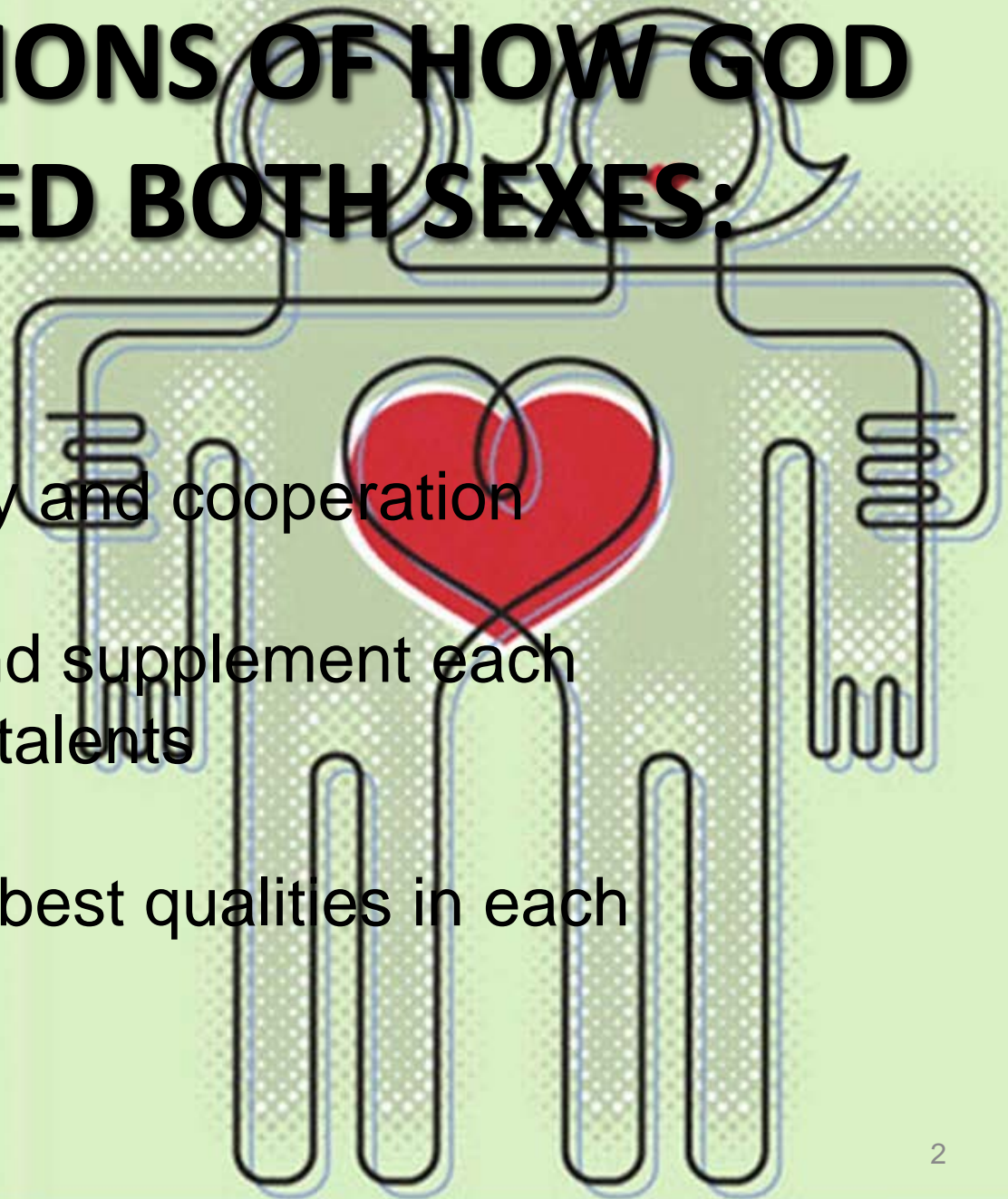


VERIFICATIONS OF HOW GOD CREATED BOTH SEXES:

To live in harmony and cooperation

To compliment and supplement each
other's roles and talents

To draw forth the best qualities in each
other



THE BASIC CHARACTERISTICS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF WOMANHOOD

I. Partner of Man

- As true partners in the family, society and at work, neither man nor woman are to dominate each other; nor should they allow their relationship in any way to deteriorate into a power struggle.
- Each is gifted with unique abilities which must be shared with the other.
- Any professional woman who fulfills her work well is entitled to equal pay and rights.



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II. Procreator and Nurturer of Life

➤ As bishop Fulton Sheen remind us: “A woman’s body commits her to the drama of existence.” – If a woman’s vocation in life is to marry and bear child, then the full responsibility of nurturing the body and the spirit of the child follows pregnancy and child birth.



➤ The care of mankind, environment and animal and plant life are naturally entrusted to her.



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III. Protector of Life

Woman automatically seeks shelter, comfort and safety for those in her care.



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IV. Lover of Life

Woman provides the affections, tenderness, security, stability, gentleness, generosity, warmth needed to encourage and inspire those close to her.



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V. Endurer of Pain and Crisis



- Monsignor Escriva de Balaguer, in his book, “The Way”, states that *“woman is stronger than man and more faithful in the hour of trial”*.
- Her ability to endure with steadfastness and perseverance are exemplified at childbirth and by the women at the cross.

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VI. Embodiment of Specific Talents and Sensitivities

- Woman is more idealist than man; intuitive, emotional and sensitive, creative, who cares for details.
- As a worker she is easier to motivate, more accurate, honest.



WOMAN'S VOCATION IN LIFE



- **SINGLE**
- **MARRIED**
- **CAREERWOMAN**
- **HOME MAKER**
- **MOTHER**
- **WIDOWED**