



Monologue Handout 2

“A Woman’s Worth” by Alicia Keys (cut)

Wanna please, wanna keep, wanna treat your woman right
Now just don't, better show that she is worth your time
You will lose if you choose to refuse to put her first
She will if she can't find a man who knows her worth

Hold up
'Cause if you treat me fairly I'll give you all my goods
Treat you like a real woman should
Baby I know you're worth it
If you never play me promise not to blow off
I'll hold you down when [things] get rough
'Cause baby I know you're worth it

'Cause a real man knows a real woman when he sees her
And a real woman knows a real man ain't afraid to please her
A real woman knows a real man always comes first
A real man just can't deny a woman's worth



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Portia in *Julius Caesar* 2.1.302-325 (cut)

Within the bond of marriage, tell me, Brutus,
Is it excepted I should know no secrets
That appertain to you? Am I yourself
But, as it were, in sort or limitation,
To keep with you at meals, comfort your bed,
And talk to you sometimes? Dwell I but in the suburbs
Of your good pleasure? If it be no more,
Portia is Brutus' harlot, not his wife.

I grant I am a woman, but withal
A woman that Lord Brutus took to wife.
I grant I am a woman, but withal
A woman well-reputed, Cato's daughter.
Think you I am no stronger than my sex,
Being so fathered and so husbanded?
Tell me your counsels; I will not disclose 'em.