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The 5 Mistakes That Keep Women Stuck After Divorce

Why moving on is not the same as rebuilding your life.

FREE GUIDE

Discover the five common mistakes that keep women stuck after divorce — and the first steps toward rebuilding your identity, financial confidence, and relationships.

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— *Your story is not over.* —

Pour a cup of something warm.

Welcome, beautiful.

If you are holding this guide, something hard has happened — or is happening. Maybe a marriage has ended. Maybe a season you thought was permanent has come apart. Wherever you are in the unraveling, I want you to hear this first: *you are not behind, you are not broken, and you are not alone.*

This little guide will not fix everything overnight. Nothing wise does. What it will do is give you a place to begin — a few steady steps toward the woman you are becoming. Confidence you can rebuild. Finances you can face. A vision you can name. A next step you can actually take.

Move through these pages at your own pace. Write in the margins. Cry if you need to. Come back to them tomorrow. Rebuilding is not a race — it is a returning, again and again, to yourself.

> *"Your story is not over."*

You do not have to do this alone. I am honored to walk beside you.

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Spot the pattern. Shift the path.

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You are not failing — you may simply be following patterns that no longer serve you. Awareness is the first gentle step toward change.

1

Trying to Move On Before You Have Healed

Busyness feels like progress, but unprocessed grief has a way of waiting for us. Healing is not a detour from rebuilding — it is the foundation.

TRY INSTEAD · *Give yourself permission to feel it fully, on your own timeline.*

2

Allowing Divorce to Become Your Identity

"Divorced" describes a chapter, not the whole woman. You are still whole, still worthy, still becoming.

TRY INSTEAD · *Write three words that describe who you are beyond this season.*

3

Withdrawing From the People You Need

Sturdy support is part of the rebuild, not a luxury. The right people want to show up for you.

TRY INSTEAD · *Reach out to one safe person this week — even just a text.*

4

Avoiding the Financial Truth

What we avoid tends to grow. Clarity, even when uncomfortable, returns your power.

TRY INSTEAD · *Look at one account or bill you've been avoiding — just to look.*

5

Letting Other People Decide How Fast You Should Recover

Well-meaning people will have opinions about how fast you should heal, date, or "be over it." Your pace is the right pace.

TRY INSTEAD · *Compare yourself only to who you were yesterday.*

Confidence is built, not found.

Reconnecting to Your Worth

Confidence after divorce isn't about pretending you're fine. It's about remembering who you are beneath the pain. Let these prompts slow you down enough to hear yourself again.

1. What is one thing I do well — even when no one is watching?

2. When have I been braver than I gave myself credit for?

3. What would I try if I knew I could not fail?

4. Complete the sentence: "I am becoming someone who..."

Clarity is its own kind of calm.

Facing Your Finances with Grace

Money fears shrink the moment we look at them. You don't need to have it all figured out — just take the next clear step. Check off what you can this month.

- [ ] **Know your numbers.** List all accounts, balances, and monthly expenses in one place.
- [ ] **Separate & rename.** Open accounts in your own name; update passwords and beneficiaries.
- [ ] **Build a small buffer.** Begin an emergency fund — even a few dollars a week counts.
- [ ] **Check your credit.** Pull your free report and dispute anything unfamiliar.
- [ ] **Gather your documents.** Tax returns, titles, insurance, retirement — keep copies where you can find them.
- [ ] **Ask for help.** A fee-only advisor or financial coach can clarify your options — you don't have to know it all.
- [ ] **Name one money goal.** A number, a date, and a reason that's yours alone.

You are allowed to be safe and provided for.

Name it, and you begin to live toward it.

My Vision for What's Next

Imagine one year from today. You feel steadier, clearer, more yourself. What does each area of your life look like? Dream freely — there are no wrong answers here.

R Relationships

C Career & Purpose

H Health & Wellness

F Finances

H Home & Environment

G Personal Growth

One year from today, the thing I will be most proud of is...

One word to describe the woman I am becoming: _____

A vision needs a next step.

My 30-Day Action Plan

Choose one small, doable step in each area. Small steps, taken consistently, rebuild a life.

Confidence

MY GOAL

FIRST STEP · BY WHEN

Finances

MY GOAL

FIRST STEP · BY WHEN

Health & Wellness

MY GOAL

FIRST STEP · BY WHEN

Relationships

MY GOAL

FIRST STEP · BY WHEN

Purpose & Growth

MY GOAL

FIRST STEP · BY WHEN

Boundaries

MY GOAL

FIRST STEP · BY WHEN

My one weekly intention: _____

Speak it until you believe it.

Daily Affirmations

Read one aloud each morning. Let it land before the day begins. Repetition rewires the heart, one true sentence at a time.

♡ *I am not behind. I am exactly where my rebuilding begins.*

♡ *My worth is not measured by who stayed or who left.*

♡ *I am allowed to take up space in my own life.*

♡ *I can feel the grief and still move forward.*

♡ *I am safe to provide for myself.*

♡ *My story is not over; the best chapters are still unwritten.*

♡ *I trust myself to make my next right decision.*

♡ *I am healing, growing, and becoming — all at once.*

♡ *I release what was to make room for what can be.*

♡ *I am whole, worthy, and deeply loved — beginning with myself.*

The affirmation I am carrying with me this week:

PRACTICE IT DAILY — CHECK OFF EACH DAY

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You've begun. Now keep going.

Your Next Step

If something in these pages stirred you, don't let it fade. Let's talk. A Breakthrough Session is a free, no-pressure conversation to help you find clarity on your next right step.

SCAN TO CONNECT

Book a Breakthrough Session

A warm, confidential conversation to help you get clear on where you are and where you want to go — no commitments, just clarity.

LET'S BEGIN →

What to expect

- A judgment-free space to share where you are right now
- Clarity on your biggest obstacle and your next right step
- A simple, personalized path forward — at your pace
- Zero pressure — this conversation is for you

> *"You don't have to figure it all out today. You only have to take the next right step — and I'd be honored to help you find it."*
>
> — BARBARA



You're Ready.

The rebuild begins with one brave step.

You've named the patterns, faced the finances, envisioned the future, and written the next step. That is no small thing. Whatever brought you here, it does not get the final word. You do.

"You don't have to do this alone. I'd be honored to walk beside you as you rebuild — and thrive."

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