



Tough Love

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“Tough Love is something that no one should be cheated out of experiencing.”

Sometimes we women forget to completely own our strengths . I encountered that in an experience with my mentor Dee several years ago. At the time, she was a recruiter. I felt I needed a career change and decided to meet with her.

As I sat silent in her office while she reviewed my resume it was truly that awkward moment that we all dread. When done, she looked at me and said that she would not all me to take another “job.” And that I was ready toi go out on my own. Well after the tears stopped and I wiped my nose, she asked me if I was ready to talk seriously. It took me a while to try to convince her that I needed to go into another job assignment. Excuses like I am getting a divorce, I have bills, I need the benefits. Stuff like that. Dee read me in a way that I had never been spoken to before and actually listened. The clean version is...

“Put on your Big Girl Panties and own your destiny!!! You are ready!!!! So let’s get started on your Business Plan and put it into action.”

Now Wok it like I know you can. That was 1990. I did get divorced and I did start my business. Thanks for the tough love Dee. I love you wherever you are.