

## Game of Thrones Season 1 Ep7

**Cersei**

Your mother might have prepared you. You flowered my dear. No more.

**Sansa**

My mother told me, but I thought it would be different.

**Cersei**

In what way?

**Sansa**

I thought it would be less... less messy.

**Cersei**

Wait until you birth a child. You're a woman now. Do you have any idea what that means?

**Sansa**

I'm fit to bear children for the King?

**Cersei**

A prospect that once delighted you, bringing little princes and princesses into the world. The greatest honor for a queen.

Joffrey's always been difficult. Even his birth I labored a day and a half to bring him into this world. You cannot imagine the pain. I screamed so loudly I was sure Robert would hear me in the Kingswood.

**Sansa**

His Grace was not with you?

**Cersei**

Robert was hunting. That was his custom. Whenever my time was near my royal husband would flee to the trees with his huntsmen and his hounds. And when he returned he would present me with some pelts or a stag's head, and I would present him with a baby. Not that I wanted him there, mind you. I had Grand Maester Pycelle, an army of midwives and I had my brother. When they told Jaime he wasn't allowed in the birthing room he smiled and asked which one of them proposed to keep him out.

Joffrey will show you no such devotion.

You may never love the king, but you will love his children.

**Sansa**

I love His Grace with all my heart.

**Cersei**

That's so very touching to hear. Permit me to share some womanly wisdom with you on this very special day. The more people you love, the weaker you are. You'll do things for them that you know you shouldn't do. You'll act the fool to make them happy, to keep them safe.

Love no one but your children. On that front a mother has no choice.

**Sansa**

But shouldn't I love Joffrey, Your Grace?

**Cersei**

You can try, little dove.