She's Crying, Again

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> She's crying again as she has done so many times before. Each teardrop represents a fountain of challenges that she has faced.

She's crying again, but she does not let her children see the water well up in her eyes. Instead they hear the lowness of her voice, they see the slowness of her movement, they see the distant stare in her eyes.

She's crying from the hurt of past love affairs which she hoped would have lead her to the altar; but instead they left her with feelings of despair. Dreaming of lighthearted carefree times, crying for their return. Crying, because age keeps stretching out it' hand to her. Leaving her with feelings of so many things in her life undone, and regrets of choosing the road less traveled.

She wants to break down, and tell a friend exactly how she feels, but decides "I won't bother them"; it's just her foolish pride. The emptiness she feels is a longing for her to be loved and cared for, but she does not give in, for fear that it will make her feel weak.

> She's crying again while telling herself inside "I've been through much worse, I'll be fine." Turning within asking herself why? Why? can't I.

She wants to isolate herself from the world, but she knows that, that maybe the worst thing that she could do.

And so she prays and asks God for sweet strengthening Quiet Time.