

"In our world a man is confident but a woman is arrogant.
A man is uncompromising but a woman is a ball-breaker.
A man is assertive, a woman is aggressive.
A man is strategic, a woman is manipulative.
A man is a leader, a woman is controlling.
A man is authoritative, a woman is annoying.
The characteristic or behavior is the same, what is different is the sex.
And based on the sex, the world makes assumptions
and the world treats us differently.
Anytime I talk about feminism
there is invariably somebody
who pops up and labels me angry.
It is as if a woman is not allowed
to feel anger without being
reduced only about anger.
Anger is a human emotion.
And there are many things I
feel angry about,
one of which is the terrible
injustices that comprise sexism.
I am angry that women in
South Korea are protesting
about hidden cameras that
invade their privacy.
I am angry about domestic
violence all over the world –
in Italy there is a woman killed
every week by an intimate partner.
I am angry that in parts of Africa
women cannot inherit property
because they are women.
I am angry that in Latin America
women are dying because
governments decide that they
cannot do anything about
pregnancies that they
no longer want.
But my feelings angry does not
Mean that I am an angry person.
A man who shows righteous anger
is not likely to be reduced to
that label of angry person".

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