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all right let's begin shalom in the home part three

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this is the trilogy that we've all been waiting for well first of all before i begin i want

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to make a a kind of a strong encouragement that these teachings that i'm doing on

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this subject are vital for your spiritual health we talked a lot about

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physical health spiritual health your mind your soul your emotions and and strength and all

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of those things this teach these teachings are vital for your emotional physical and spiritual

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health let me say that again a different way we don't listen to teachings true hebrews

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study there's nowhere in the bible where it says to read and show yourself approved reading is

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only something that you learn in first grade everything after that is studying

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okay and so as we go through these i'm going to really encourage you to i know they're not available yet but

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get them when they come out on dvd so that you can watch them with your spouse again you can laugh again but you can

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stop and you can talk about it this will be a great series when it's all said and done to sit down with your spouse or

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even watch it by yourself and and really ask yourself some of these hard questions tonight we're going

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to go through uh 10 different rules of conflict and relationship restoration

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and you're going to have a chance to grade yourself on all of these different things but you can't it's very difficult

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to do that live or when you're listening to something first time through so as you're watching

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this at home on dvd or online it's critical for you to uh to stop it's okay

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to stop and pause i know i talk fast to begin with and so to give you a chance i encourage

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you to even stop right now go get a pad and paper wife make your husband take

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the notes and don't make let him get sticky notes

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okay big pieces of paper because he's going to need it this evening actually both of you are going to need it so i want to

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just start off and let you know that this is a study type of material this is not just a here

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okay this is a hear regurgitate chew on study swallow

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okay and then do it again when you have years and years and decades of doing things the wrong way

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you can't fix it in a weekend the marriages and the relationships that

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that heal and completely have fantastic relationships are those that work at it

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okay you cannot plow a field in a day and expect things to come up and grow

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the following day does that make sense you have to cut it's like a garden you have to constantly be taking out weeds

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constantly be tending to it making sure that that all of the the plants are tended to and so on and so forth and

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water and the right amount of warmth and sunshine and and so on and so there is a same kind of systematic growth when

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you're dealing with relationships whether it be work friendships uh family relationships or

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marriages every one of them take work and unfortunately american lifestyle has is crept into

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such a degree that we make ourselves so busy in so many different categories that we have in our life

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that we don't have time to truly work on the things that are most important to us would you agree

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okay and so now is a time to take a time out of your life and thank you for taking the time out of your day to watch

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this and the encouragement is as i promise you that your life your relationships

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and your marriages and your family dynamics will radically change when you begin to take this as a course

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not a moment okay so let's begin shalom in the home part three

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it's all about conflict now what this

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is a photo what you don't know is that this is a photo of you and your spouse

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someone has been in your home took a picture and sent it to me but we are not going to reveal who that is

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i'm just kidding but conflict happens whether you like it or not conflict will happen

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it happens to all of us it is i believe in intentionally designed

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relationship dynamic that's created to in a way to foster a test

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so that you can pass a test and grow something in your life without any kind of stretching or resistance

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your muscles get weak okay conflict is not a bad thing

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at all conflict is a fantastic thing if you deal with it the right way

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there is research that is out on marriages today that some of the best marriages

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are those that fight a lot the happiest marriages

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are those that know how to get through conflict okay the worst marriages the ones that

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are most miserable are the ones that are consistently in the same argument it's just been put on pause for a day or two

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and then another subject comes up does that make sense the happiest marriages are the ones that

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not everyone deals with conflict the happiest ones are the ones that know how to deal with it okay it's like every

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single automobile will have a breakdown if there's not an oil change

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the happiest cars are the ones that have owners that know to take their car in every three to five thousand miles get

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an oil change and then get a transmission uh flush and so on and so forth you can't just get married and go

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we'll figure it out because fifty percent of you don't

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and the other 80 percent of the remaining 50 percent are miserable and are only staying together because of

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social pressures so we got to get this conflict thing figured out

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so i have put together 10 rules that i've come up with i believe that will radically uh be an asset to you they're

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not the only rules they're not all encompassing this is not designed to fix your problems this is designed to give

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you a pathway to to fixing your problems to getting through the conflicts that you have

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number one it's not a contest of who's right and who's wrong if you understand that conflict is not a

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courtroom experience you will automatically be 50 percent of the way there

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conflict is designed by our creator to help you understand this other species

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from a different planet conflict is designed to bring mars and

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venus closer together on planet earth okay rule number one it's not a contest of

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who's right and who's wrong unfortunately men are fantastic

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attorneys and i meet other women that are great attorneys as well but many times there's

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almost always always always one out of the two will turn an argument into a courtroom

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just like that they're just waiting for you to say something that they can prosecute

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and it becomes almost a prosecuting game the scriptures say in matthew 18 15 this

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is a great scripture to start off with moreover if your brother sins against you go and tell him his fault between you and him alone if he hears you you

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have gained your brother as a pastor and ministry leader i can tell you that there is one scripture by

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far in the entire bible that is more ignored and abused than any other and it is this

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set of scriptures here in matthew 18. when you are offended you are required

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to go to your brother if the offense remains what do i mean by that

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sometimes you can grow in your spiritual maturity and you can realize you can be offended and at the same time be

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spiritually mature enough to go they probably didn't mean that and just a few minutes later you can just forgive them

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and move on and it's not even a big deal then there's a second person who knows

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they're supposed to be spiritual they know that the person probably didn't mean to offend them so they they attempt

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to forgive them but deep down it's still there and it's like a check mark or they're keeping a catalog you ever make

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people like that they're just making notes as the years go on and then one day man you know this is

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this is very uh uh relative to your life sometime uh months

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go by and all of a sudden she runs out of paper so she brings it out

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and on comes her list from 14 months ago every single thing that you ever did

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and you thought that uh she had forgiven you for those things because you're not handling conflict and relationship

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resolution forgiveness the right way and so we have to talk about this because matthew 18 is incredibly clear that when

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you have ought against your brother you go to him we're going to talk about how to do that in just a moment and you're

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going to find out that 90 of the time there is a miscommunication or missing information and once you're given that

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information your offense immediately goes away so matthew 18 is something that we must

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walk out i know that most people are not like jim staley and and okay with with conflict okay

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i love conflict you know why not from starting conflict i want to know what

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people are thinking if there's a conflict then i look at it is we can resolve it i don't want to have a conflict that

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is an open-ended conflict all conflict can be resolved one party just needs to humble

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themselves that's pretty much the trick end of story as soon as one party humbles themselves the other party will

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eventually humble themselves the problem is is that both people eventually become prosecuting attorneys

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and it will never end so here we go bottom line go to your brother in love and that will solve a

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lot of problems that is our standard there is no excuse to not go to your brother if someone offends you you

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cannot wait you cannot wait three months you cannot wait a year you cannot let it

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go oh i'm just gonna let it go the second you say i'm just gonna let it go you have broken the scriptures and

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you're allowing the enemy place in your life you can't break the scriptures and

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have life in your life you can't i don't care how old you are or how mature that

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you think that you are it is almost virtually impossible

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i've only met a few people in my life that are so spiritually mature that when someone offends them they can literally

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forgive them because true spiritual maturity cannot have offense

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there is no offense that you can have if you're truly spiritually mature because it is only pride and selfishness that

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allows you to be offended to begin with i will prove this out as we move on you

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can't be offended if you're completely humble because you will always be thinking

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the best about the other person you will always be thinking you're missing information you will always be thinking man there must be something i don't know

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they must have had a bad day so on and so forth you will always give someone the benefit of the doubt

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but because we're human and we're not yeshua that's why this set of scriptures exists go to your brother get it worked

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out because most of us aren't that mature and i'm in that camp as well

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i know how i am i will regurgitate that information i will process the information

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i'll begin to have dreams about that person and and and all of a sudden

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a month later whatever they did becomes five times worse in my mind because anybody ever like this your mind will

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start adding to what happened and pretty soon it's so different from the reality when you go talk to him

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you're even embarrassed that the history somehow changed you know give the enemy enough time he'll repaint

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it most of us when we have uh we know the

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with the scriptures so i have to go to my brother and i've got to to to tell them that i'm offended so this is what

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we do

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now we know who's holding that frying pan but this is what we do we hit people

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over the head with our offenses well when you come to someone and you hit them over the head with a frying pan

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what is their immediate reaction going to do

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i'm going to grab a frying pan and pretty soon you got a frying pan war

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in the kitchen well we can't have that because that is going anytime that any kind of sword

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comes out by default they're the fight or flight mechanism that's built into every human being will immediately that

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adrenaline that frequency uh that hits their mind uh that defend yourself

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defend yourself that was a sword i know it felt like a frying pan but really it was a sword grab your sword quick the

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adrenaline rushes the the blood pumps to the heart the heart starts pumping out comes the sword and there's your

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marriage argument or there's your relationship argument and every time you wield your sword they're going to grab

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theirs the only way to remove the war is someone to put the frying pan down

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and we'll talk about how to do that in just a minute because it's easier said than done but systematically there are

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some things that will eliminate some of the issues that we deal with here we go i'm offended you guys ever heard this

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one oh i'm offended with you oh i offended you with my opinion you should hear the ones i keep to myself

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if you actually knew what the other person's really thinking you would truly be offended

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so if you really are offended by their opinion i can assure you for every one that came out there's ten more that

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they're thinking that are probably ten times worse this is critical that we deal with

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conflict and deal with relationship not even just dealing with with conflict some of the rules that i'm going to go

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over with you this evening are going to help you flat out just in dealing with people

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how many people want to have friends how many of you want to influence people

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i highly recommend that you get a book called halloween friends and influence people by dale carnegie 1936 i believe

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if i remember right i've read it about 10 times because i know that my calling is to

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influence people and this is a and so the title caught my attention

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you are influencing people do you know on average the average person not a leader the average person

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intimately this is going to be hard to believe not just just hear say you know acquaintance intimately influences over

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the course of their lifetime 200 people

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you will change the course of someone's life

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200 times over it doesn't matter who you are the average person will influence over 200

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people in an intimate way so that means that if you are holding the strings for 200 people's lives

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then we need to make sure that we're pointing them in the right direction we're bringing them back into covenant the last thing that would be that you

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want it would break your heart to find out on judgment day that that one person that you didn't open the door for that

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you closed the door on or you cut off on the highway ended up committing suicide that day because that was the straw that

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broke the camel's back the last person he had heard 15 times that day from from his wife or from the boss that you're a

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loser i can't stand you i hate you they get cut off on the highway and they had a fender bender right behind you that

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you didn't even know it and you were the catalyst to change their life

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by statistical probability that has already happened with just the amount of people that are in this auditorium this

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evening you have probably just by statistics there

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will be one person that has probably committed suicide by something that you have said or done in your life that that

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brought them to that point maybe not the final straw but part of that from junior high all the way on

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i don't even want to know how many people i've run over in my lifetime so the information that we're

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learning is critical so she's offended she comes to you nice

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calm and sweet right guys doesn't your wife always come to you and

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and just honey i come before you with your favorite cup of coffee

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your slippers i come to rub your feet while you watch the football game and when i'm done

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rubbing your feet i want to rub your shoulders it is my job o king my lord to

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bring before you just a small tiny request that i have

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would you please put this toilet seat down when you're done

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most of the time that is not how it happens gentlemen if we were more of a king in our house

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maybe she would be more of a queen are you worthy to be bowed to in that

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kind of honor this is normally how she comes

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actually this is what yahweh's perspective looks like god please help me with this

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man

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she's probably married to the other guy on the other teaching from last night

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in that case we don't blame her do we

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all right rule number two so when she comes to you and she's offended or gentleman guys it doesn't matter when

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someone comes to you and they're offended here's rule number two go into the situation assuming there is

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information that you are missing this changed my life this rule

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because when you totally get it you know what this really is this is this is a a hidden statement that will

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cause immediate humility in your life pride goeth before what the fall

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so therefore all marriage divorces have what at their pinnacle

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pride a marriage cannot fall without pride it is not possible i promise you because

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why he promises pride go before the fall dot dot dot

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whatever you want to put behind it the fall of your business the fall of your friendships the fall of your marriage

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the fall of your relationship with the creator you name it doesn't matter the principle is there so go into the

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situation assuming there is definitely information that you're missing when someone comes to you and they're

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greatly offended at whatever is happening you know inside of that situation always

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assume that there is blanks that need to be filled in i cannot tell you how many times that that in a relationship with

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my wife because of the speed that i talk and the speed of all the processing

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things and and all the different things that are happening in my life that i will come up to my wife and i will give

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her and i think i'm probably probably not the only guy that does this but i give

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the short story women to any men in here give the short story to you we kind of skip over most of the facts you know how

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was your day good

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ask your wife that and and she's like are you serious you want me to answer that question we don't have four hours

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[Music] we tend to skip over facts well guess what

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your wife is thinking she's stuck on the fact that the first sentence that you said made no sense at

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all so she's going to do what she's going to follow it up with a question

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if you watch and observe how your wife interacts with her girlfriends and even with you and just copy her

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you will have the greatest marriage in the world so when your wife says honey how did

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your day do how'd your day go you know that she's going to ask you every detail

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so just start saying well first i walked in the office and john well you should have seen his hair today was fantastic

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i've never seen hair like that he got his new can't get some some highlights put in on the right hand side and he

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bought this new shirt from gorman's it was red and it had kind of stripes with it and the buttons were a little metallic and boy the metallic really

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shown it would look good with his personality today

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number two there are when you assume that there's information you're missing i can promise you there always always is

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so when she comes to you and she's offended just ask questions you'll begin

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to see that you are missing something you're assuming something and that goes for ladies too ladies too

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don't assume 99 of the time there's information that you don't have as well

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okay it's not all about picking on the guys i love picking on the guys because we're most of the problems uh but uh but

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ladies you do take it takes two to dance okay takes two to dance

22:03

i haven't met a lady yet that does not have a strong right hook

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i don't care how many angel wings they got off the back they can still hold their ground

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so when the approach comes always assume the other person's motives

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are pure and honorable and you must be missing something i'm trying to hammer this home because i'm telling you this

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if we stopped right now really this should be a 10-week course just one point a week because that's

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about all that we can handle is working on one thing at a time ladies we could do like 30 in one night but for guys

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we're lucky to understand one single thing that the preacher is talking about that's why when you tell us how your day

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goes we are literally thinking about sports channel while you're talking because we zoned out at the whole

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metallic button part

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so when come someone comes to you and i'm i'm not very good at this i'm still learning this because this is uh

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it's something for people like me that are uh you know leaders and and so on and so forth we struggle in some of

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these areas so i'm gonna be candid and say this is one that i will be working on for the rest of my life because in my

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line of work with what we're doing here at pft i constantly am being attacked like you cannot imagine most people come

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not with swords but machine guns swords i'm totally cool with but machine guns and they snipe from the corners of the

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dark alleys and i can't see them so i'm used to constantly being attacked because of the message that i have so i

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have a little bit more of a defense and ready for for uh for war but the reality

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is is that if you will look at someone that's coming at you and and just

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pretend at the moment and look at them that they have a pure motive don't guess what their motive is

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pretend that they are honorable that their motives are pure that they're truly just there to get more information

24:02

even if they come at you with the wrong attitude you must look at them because first corinthians 13 tells you this

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through the love chapter that we are to look at people with the right motive and honorable because what will happen is

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you are going to give them the opportunity to save face this is a huge point

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you must allow them to save face or they will never back down

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you must give them an open door to release their humiliation that they

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might feel if you have the information that they need so what we normally do is someone comes

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to us and they're really angry and they're offended and we know right off the bat that they're wrong

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but instead of politely and nicely telling them the information that they need we take the information put it in

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our back pocket grab our knife and sword and we're ready to go to war when all they need is the right

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information no different than a than a wife that comes out or or your boss that comes out

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and uh and and his car is wrecked and he assumed that you did it because there's blue on inside of his car and you have a

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blue car until he finds out that you didn't drive your blue car today someone else did it

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now if he comes at you yelling and screaming and everything your immediate reaction is going to defend yourself

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and get mad at him for the way that he's coming to you well that's his sin he has to deal with your responsibility is to

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say sir i can totally understand and by the way you really should memorize these words

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sir ma'am honey i can totally understand how you're feeling if i was in your shoes i would probably feel exactly the

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same way that you would because if you were in their shoes you would because you would be them so it's true

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if i was in your shoes i would probably feel exactly the way that you do did you know that this information blah

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blah blah you might want to know this because this might affect the way that you think about these things it was i

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didn't drive my blue car today if i did i still would completely understand that you would make that assumption but i

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drove my red car today maybe there's somebody else that did that can i help you find that person

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now what did i do because of the way that i reacted i have completely allowed him to save face and disarmed him

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because i gave him the information that he didn't even know that he needed he can't be mad

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so gentlemen be nice give her the opportunity to have the right motive and give her a way out and

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same thing ladies on the other side your first thought should be there must be some information that i'm missing

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you guys got this point yet can i move on there must be information i'm missing let's say it together there must be some

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information that i'm missing that's right

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dream about it chant it in the car on the way home from work

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you think i i'm joking i listen to these things before i walk in i'll stop my car before i get i remember this and my wife

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doesn't even know this i would pull up to the driveway and uh i would i would stop the car and i would literally pray

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and start going through a few things on my list because when i walk in the door don't go to the

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bedroom ask her if she needs any help there must be some information that i'm missing because she's probably going to

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be offended by something that i've done at some point in my life that she's probably going to i did something to drop the hit the the camel's back and

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now it's going to come out in one evening i need to deal with this the right way and and so on and so forth prepare yourself

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now my wife is too gentle to to and you know we she's just an unbelievable woman

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and i don't really deal with a lot of things that a lot of maybe men do but i do my best to love my wife and

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i've gone through hell and high water over the last 16 years to try to be the husband that i need to be

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i'm halfway there according to my my mom i have two years

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left before i even get to grow up because they say you don't have to grow up till you're 40. men don't grow up

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until they're at least 40. well i'm 38 so i've got two years left and my wife trusts me is counting it down

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one month at a time here we go here's your statement i'm

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probably missing something here and i'm probably reading into things but can you help me understand

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or better yet your wife is sitting there how many times this happened she's sitting on the couch and coming you sir hi honey she doesn't answer you she

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gives you that proverbial quiet treatment right the silent treatment

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best thing you can do is go over her and say honey i can i can totally see that you're offended

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right now and if something's wrong and i don't totally understand exactly what it could possibly be but with your

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permission i'd like to go to my room and think about it for a little while because anything else you say is going

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to can and will be used against you i can guarantee it and you want to retreat to your room as fast as possible

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that's where you're going to pray instead of assuming that you have all the information look for
the
29:06
miscommunication this is a big one guys
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this is huge huge huge huge i don't care who you are this can be for
29:16
a friend a co-worker someone comes into the office has a horrible day look past the anger and
see the hurt and
29:25
rescue them as a believer in yeshua the messiah jesus christ your job
29:31
is you're in the coast guard most everyone is floating around in an
29:37
ocean in a sea of bad theology in a terrible toxic world and they need to be rescued
29:43
so don't be surprised when people uh you know throw up on you all of their problems
29:49
and and sometimes it comes out in the form of tears and sometimes it comes out in the form of
anger and sometimes it
29:55
comes out in the form of frying pans it comes out in the form of all different forms but at the end
of the day just
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like the gentleman talked about this afternoon that all disease can be found on a cellular level it
may come out in a
30:07
million different ways but at the end of the day it's the same disease
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it's hurt and pain and trauma when i sit with people and i spend time
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with our mishpacha marriage issues it doesn't matter what the issue is
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some people think that i'm a good marriage counselor i'm not i'm so uneducated in these things
that i just
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super believe that it's just a cellular issue so i sit and listen to all the problems
30:38
and all the things that come out and the solution is the same for almost every single person
30:44
go back to the cellular place of where the damage and the toxin entered into your life remove the
toxin the cell
30:51
heals itself you get back to the father you get back to your wife for your spouse or your friend it's
the same
30:58

answer every time you've got to go back to the place where the toxins entered into the body that can be through

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generational sin it can be through trauma and it can be through your personal sin it is just that simple

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there's all my marriage counseling secrets right there go to those three find out exactly where

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it began pray in that moment remove the curse remove the trauma remove the memory

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bring in forgiveness and repent for the personal sins and everything begins to heal itself because

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the body on a spiritual level is unbelievable how it can heal itself and draw itself back to the father if you

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just remove the presence of the enemy in that life so when someone comes to you and they're highly offended and they're

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angry our immediate reaction is to instantly be angry that's because we are blind

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we cannot see the issues and the pain that they have when yeshua made the comment to his

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disciples that i'm going to be basically i'm going to be dying for you

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peter's instant response was heck no not on my watch

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you're my rabbi i'm your your talmudim i'm one of your disciples and i am not going to allow that to happen and yeshua

32:09

said get behind me i wasn't even talking to peter

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because he had supernatural eyesight to see that an unclean spirit was speaking into peter's ear and peter was simply

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saying what he heard the next time that your wife comes at you and she's extremely offended or vice

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versa look past everything assume that there's information that you can't hear and assume that there's probably an

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unclean spirit that's influencing her as well there's pain there there's hurt there you need to find it

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this concept i i give an analogy in marriage counseling a lot that uh because gentlemen this is what we really

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do when our wives are hurting or angry or they're coming at us and they're maybe accusing or they're just

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uh their feelings are hurt maybe they're crying it's no different than if you were lying

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in bed and uh and and you had and she had no covers on

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and it's the middle of winter and she tells you that she's cold what you typically do is hog all the covers

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what we're supposed to do is give them covers

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cover them up the bible says in first corinthians 13 does it not to love covers

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okay it bears all things what does that mean it protects when you see someone in sin

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you know what our first instant basic instinct is that natural humanistic instinct is to gossip and to uncover and

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expose that is not the biblical concept of how

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we deal with sin how we deal with sin according to matthew 18 how we started out you go to

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them and you cover it up you protect them because they're hurting and they need to

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be freed from the bondage by expo oh i can't tell you what they offended me i'm going to go tell

34:01

everybody i know what firemen goes up to a house that's

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burning and says i can't believe that's on fire i'm gonna go tell all the neighbors

34:12

the neighbors already know that's why they called you you're the firemen

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ladies and gentlemen you are the firemen you are the firemen in your life

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no one else is going to be able to put out the fire if yahweh shows you someone that's offended by default that's his

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invitation for you to join him in the process of putting out that fire

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see past the anger and the hurt and rescue her rescue her

34:43

now remember last night about the 22 minutes okay how could you forget

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i did laugh myself almost all the way home it kept me awake

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but i will tell you this there's a real real reality behind the 22 minutes

35:02

i'll tell you a friend of mine's in the coast guard and he told me that they they are they

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are trained on how to rescue people that are drowning now you're on a dock

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and you look out and 10 yards off the dock someone is drowning what do you do

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what do you do there's no life preserver just you you jump in and go get them

35:26

wrong answer you'll never see a coast guard person do that that is not the right answer he

35:34

told me that what you're going to do is you're going to swim out there and you're going to stop

35:40

if they're further away that you need to swim if they're not you will stay where you're at and you will wait till they're

35:46

almost under the water you know why because it said if i run out there and it's a full grown adult or

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someone that's about my size and i go out there and they're freaking out because they can't swim what are they

35:59

going to do you're going to be a floating ladder because they're going to grab you and

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climb on top of you and drown you so he said what you do is you wait till

36:12

they're fully exhausted everything's out and you simply go over to them they'll grab you do they

36:19

whatever grab they do and simply swim them to the floor to the shore

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this is why the 22 minutes is so critical that we talked about in the last session

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because when someone comes to you you must allow them to exhaust themselves

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you must allow them to speak and share what they're feeling

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and what you're going to do is you're going to not analyze

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this is the part where you're probably going to have to stop the dvd and really think through this but you're not going to analyze what

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they're saying because what they're saying doesn't matter most of it is going to be illogical fragmented and

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emotional guys we are not created to deal with emotional and illogical and

37:06

fragmented things only we are allowed to speak like that

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but we don't we when a guy speaks fragmented illogical statements we will

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somehow interpret them and get it right every single time a woman says it we have no idea what she's talking about

37:28

so what i'm trying to say is this let it all come out don't matter what she's saying because what you're looking for

37:33

your water to the fire you're looking for the fire because when that the first thing that comes out is going to be

37:38

normally a smoke screen i learned this in sales years ago i used to spend a lot of money

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every month on a sales coach just like tiger woods had a coach and all these well i wanted to be a professional salesman so i hired a coach

37:52

paid him a lot of money to tell me all the terrible things is wrong with me i thought i was a pretty good salesman

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until i gave him my audio clips from my seminars and he said you're about the worst guy i've ever met in my life that i've coached

38:05

but you have a lot of potential if you'll do what i tell you to do believe it or not the very first seminar

38:11

that i ever had which prepared me for my entire future didn't know it at the time

38:16

i literally read every single powerpoint slide i had notes and i simply i don't even

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think i looked up once i just read my entire speech

38:29

can you even see that i don't shut up now

38:37

so that coach was right but you know what made the difference i did what he told me to do

38:42

and so i'm asking you to do what i'm telling you to do as a spiritual coach and don't say a word when someone comes

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to you with their offense let them come out with everything they've got and what you're looking for is the hurt what is

38:56

the real issue here because what they're telling you is not the real issue it is

39:02

the straw ninety-five percent of time people are not like me if i come to you it will be
39:09

the real issue i don't hold on to stuff i'm just wired that way and there are
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people that are wired that way i will come to you if i have a fence with you because i don't have
time nor the energy
39:20

nor the ability to hold on to things because i have terrible memory i'm going to forget about it
and i'm going to be i'm going to be upset with you and i'm
39:25

not going to remember why so for me it's simple kindergarten i've got to deal with it now
39:32

but for most people that are that are not at the speed of light they will just hold on to things
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and so what happens is that their bottles they keep shoving stuff in their bottles shoving their
stuff in their bottles and eventually one day they go
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to put one more piece of paper in there and it explodes and every piece of paper comes out but
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the one that they're going to come out with is going to be the last one and it's normally probably
not even going to be a big deal to you which guys which
40:00

explains why we always say honey you're overreacting
40:06

you're too sensitive no she's not it's probably built up
40:13

so look past what she's saying and cover the hurt and the pain it
40:19

doesn't matter what what it is you could have run over a grasshopper on the on the on the
driveway and she just goes
40:26

ballistic i can assure you has nothing to do with the grasshopper
40:32

so honey i totally understand how you feel about that grasshopper if i was in your shoes i would
probably feel the
40:38

exact same way but tell me more a little bit about why
40:44

that bothered you guess what's going to come out the next piece of paper
40:51

wow honey i can totally understand why running over that squirrel four months ago bothered you
if i was in your shoes
40:57

i probably feel the same way can you tell me a little bit more about that and trust me what you're
doing is you're
41:02

allowing her you know what you're doing what she won't know i'm going to tell you i'm going to tell you her the secret right here

41:10

you're playing on the side that she's most comfortable with which is giving you details

41:18

so ask the questions argument or not that's good advice isn't it ladies ask the questions and she'll

41:25

give you more detail it'll give you more context may drive you crazy at the same time but it's good for your marriage

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what the doctors say your body becomes addicted to what you do the most you do this enough time with your spouse

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or with your friend and you will become addicted to detailed information you will enjoy having long conversations

41:45

with your spouse look past your anger see the hurt and

41:51

rescue her here's what she says here's what comes

41:56

out i can't stand you you are so mean you hurt my feelings and offended me and i'm gonna push your hot buttons right

42:02

now here's what here's what she's really

42:07

saying i'm hurting i need you to see that i'm cold and i need you to cover me in love

42:14

and grace for reacting this way please validate me and what i feel instead of trying to reason with me and telling

42:20

that i'm wrong and this will be all over in five minutes ladies let's try that again all the same

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time a one two three

42:32

that's exactly what you're saying if we could only hear that you know be great if if we had muzzles as we

42:39

actually hear the wrong analogy okay something that would that that men could

42:45

put on their ears that would translate what you're saying into what you're really saying

42:51

in our lives would be so much easier oh you don't really hate me

42:57

you hate the way you feel when i do these things now that makes more sense

43:05

so how do we fight biblically this is great write this down numbers chapter 16 let's talk about this because

43:11

this is men how we fight the opposite of what we are taught as young boys from

43:17

our fathers now korra the son of esar the son of kohath the son of levi with dathan and ibiram the son of eliab and

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own the son of pelet son of reuben took men that's a lot of sons

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they rose up before moshe with some of the children of israel 250 leaders of the congregation not just

43:39

250 you know imbeciles these are 250 of the cream of the crop of two and a half

43:45

million people that were there at the time at the base of mount sinai is where this happened

43:50

men of renown they're going to go to moshe they have some issues they're offended

43:58

they gather together against moshe and aaron and said to them you take too much upon yourselves

44:03

flattery false not genuine for all the congregation is

44:11

holy every one of them and yahweh is among them why then do you exalt yourself above the assembly of the lord

44:18

so when moshe heard it he fell on his face wait a minute well that's got to be

44:23

a mistranslation or something because we're all taught as guys that when someone comes up and throws themselves in

44:29

your face you stick your chest out you crinkle your fingers together in a form of a fist because you're just waiting

44:36

for a fight and you're not going to back down and you're going to keep defending yourself and you're going to put them down and you're going to teach them in

44:42

their place because you're the man well i can assure you you're not the man

44:48

he was the man this is this is mooses the leader of the largest congregation

44:55

in the world maybe next to yeshua the most influential person that's ever lived top

45:02

five for sure and what was his manly reaction to korra coming up and sticking his chest out

45:09

he fell on his face i'm going to suggest because he had spiritual eyes to know that yahweh is
45:16

the one behind him and yahweh already had his fist going and moses didn't want to get hit in the
back of the head so he

45:21

just hit the ground man this is what we need to do when

45:28

someone comes to you that's offended you hit the ground this is why i say the very first thing you
do is shut the

45:34

mouth and go pray for at least 22 minutes

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go and fall on your face don't say anything by default we know that moshe didn't say a word

45:48

fall on your face let it all come out let them talk let it get it out as they're talking as you're

45:54

on your face you should be meditating on every word they're saying even if there are curse words
attached to it get over

46:02

it get past it they're just words you don't care about the concrete or the

46:08

cinders or or the carpet or what made them trip what you should be caring about is the blood
running down

46:14

the knee or the heart doesn't matter how it happened we your

46:19

job is to put out that fire so here you go you win the argument you'll lose the heart every single

46:26

time man we're really good at winning arguments we'll just keep going and some ladies are like
this too they'll just

46:33

beat their husbands to death and win the argument and they're losing their husband's heart and
they don't even know

46:38

it bottom line what is this

46:46

stop drop and roll very good can't get nothing past you guys stop don't speak

46:53

in the middle of an argument don't speak number two drop to your knees and get the king's

46:58

heart just like moshe get his attitude first before you respond you should never respond to any
argument in emotion

47:04

you should always respond by going to the father first ladies remember the teaching yesterday
about you you are the

47:11

right-hand side of the heart you are the right chambers of the heart when negative blood comes in and you get offended because that's your job is to

47:17

see the negative things in your husband's life or the things around you what is your first responsibility

47:22

requirement to do to go to the lungs send the blood to the

47:29

lungs that's what the heart does you got to get the spirit you got to get the breath you got to get the spirit of the

47:34

living god first then you can go to your king to the left side of the heart you will have the right

47:40

attitude left heart same thing if for whatever reason she doesn't come to you the right way because she's still

47:46

learning too and she's still growing in her walk with the father and she forgets to go to the spirit and she doesn't come

47:51

to you as her king the right way then your responsibility is to do that

47:56

you must go to before your king so you can receive it properly drop to your knees and get the king's heart lastly

48:02

roll with the punches and address the feelings

48:08

men we're men you should be able to handle your wife

48:14

coming up and figuratively beating you on the chest

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if you can't handle your wife beating you on the chest go to a gym and start working out

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because she she should have the right to bring out her feelings and however

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she needs to i'm not saying it's right she's responsible for how she comes to

48:39

you but i point is this if you are supposed to be the spiritual head then by default you should be more

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spiritually mature and you should be able to handle however she acts without trumping her and making it worse does

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that make sense so if she blows it or your friend blows it or your boss

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blows it your job should be spiritually mature enough to go i can handle that

49:04

because there's probably information that that i'm missing or that she's missing we need to figure this out i

49:09

need to cover her in love make sure nobody sees and i'm going to let her

49:15

work this out i'm going to let him work this out we're going to work this out together because your goal is to restore the relationship it's all in the

49:21

spiritual eyes do you have spiritualized to see we always saying to the church right now which is my whole point is

49:27

restoration not judgment so the more that you learn about the

49:33

holy torah or the front of the book the back of the book and all of the book your heartbeat should be for your

49:39

neighbor your spouse your friend restoration not judgment

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common mistakes that we make first of all demanding to be right instead of making it right

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common mistake getting offended before knowing all of the facts

50:02

like i said before 90 of the time you are not going to be offended after you know all the facts

50:09

not giving the same grace as you are given from above this is why matthew 7 1 says don't judge

50:15

lest you be judged because if you judge whatever measure you judge you will be judged so do you want to

50:21

give the same judgment do you want to receive the same judgment that you're giving

50:26

however you treat your spouse is how you will be treated on judgment

50:32

day ouch

50:37

i want the father to give grace to me so i need to extend grace because what

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does the scripture say if you think i'm making this up mercy it says is given to those who do

50:50

what extend mercy

50:57

thinking that his wife is the primary giver that is one ginormous or like my

51:03

five-year-old would say a huge humongous mistake

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wives are not the primary giver they're the primary what receiver they receive first and then

51:17

give it appears that they're the giver because it's kind of like if you ever played uh pepper or if you've ever in in

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high school or in junior high i played a lot of baseball and uh that you would you would you would throw the ball back

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and forth baseball and you get rid of it if you try to get rid of as fast as you come in your glove you get rid as fast

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as come in your glove you get rid of get rid of it that's what wives are better than husbands at they will not hold

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they will give it back faster than you can imagine so the faster that you give them

51:48

what they need you give water to the cell of your life which is your wife

51:54

the faster she will give it back another mistake is criticizing and quick

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to judge big mistake don't criticize there's no reason to ever criticize ever

52:09

critique is different by the way is not criticism and unfortunately

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there's a lot of people that cannot even handle critique you know why because they have pride

52:22

it must be perfect i can't take critique you should be able to take critique

52:28

gentlemen your wife should be able to come to you just like my wife should be able to come to me after i speak and say

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jim you probably shouldn't call the audience a or whatever

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if i say something dumb like i just did my wife should i should have the

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humility to receive constructive criticism right because what's her motive

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to make me a better speaker and use my gifts the best that i possibly can

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we should be able to take criticism constructive we'll talk about how to do

53:04

that in a minute another giant mistake is not validating feelings and getting caught up in the

53:09

prosecuting attorney mode validate validate validate

53:14

it will answer a lot of your problems if there's a real offense give them a chance to put their hands up before

53:21

pulling the trigger

53:26

best picture i could find of a husband and wife argument right here

53:35

the only problem is is that i'm not sure which is the husband and which is the wife so i'll let you choose

53:41

in your marriage of which one you are i think we all at times feel that like that poor little kitty cat

53:48

and we don't even get a chance to put our hands up and surrender so when you are offended

ladies

53:56

gentlemen when you're offended don't pull out your gun give the person your feelings say can i

54:02

talk to you for a minute i want to just share something that's happened to me i kind of just got offended at this and that and the other and give them a

54:09

chance to put their hands up what you should do is put your hands up

54:14

gentlemen and just sit there and wait for 22 minutes just wait let her get it all out

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if you speak here's the rule you speak in less than 22 minutes she's

54:26

gonna pull the trigger so and you know that i'm telling you the truth that's the way that it works

54:33

you need to let her bring it out let him bring it out let the offense come out exhaust them and they will not even be

54:40

able to pull the trigger surrender always the way it works surrender is the best thing to do rule number three

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always start with a question it doesn't matter which side you're on that's easy one so you don't have to

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remember if i'm the one that has the offense or not have the offense start with a question

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start with a question so she's she goes on for 22 minutes and she explains all of her feelings your

55:04

first response is is there anything else that you would like to share with me

55:12

don't get mad when it goes for another 22 minutes because she only stopped to see if

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you're listening when she finds out that you are she

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might take advantage of it it's okay wait till she's fully exhausted i tried

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this several times with my wife it always ends up in laughing i don't know how but every single time that i just

55:36

let her go and exhaust herself is there anything else you'd like to share and then she goes on for for

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however long and just kind of shares what's on her heart and she didn't have to do it in a negative way she just keeps sharing and she doesn't realize

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that i'm still waiting and and then she'll stop and i'll ask her another question pretty soon she starts laughing

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because she doesn't understand why i'm doing this she's not used to me not defending

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myself not interrupting and not trying to prosecute her for whatever 15 illogical things that she said in the

56:06

first 30 seconds of our conversation she's blown away

56:14

so if you don't want her spending the 22 minutes telling some other person let her come out and tell you

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because it will happen that way i guarantee it here's an example of the silent

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treatment which one is the woman and which one is the mail

56:31

that is our big question of the day right there

56:39

the silent treatment here we go i love this it says enough of this silent treatment

56:45

says the husband i said i was sorry

56:52

ladies you're really good at this silent treatment and man i'm telling you it is brutal it is brutal

56:58

i would rather my wife grab a frying pan and get it over with

57:05

than to give me the silent treatment because the silent treatment just means it's going to be a long night i better

57:12

handle that silent treatment the right way and you better too here's a good one the less you talk the

57:19

better your chances of surviving remember this picture

57:25

wives for your husband's birthday or better yet yom kippur

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get him a roll of duct tape it will last us all of 30 days so you'll

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have to get one every month we need to learn to not speak when we're offended and ladies if you're the one

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that seems to be the interrupter and super offended and all these different things then you need to talk less

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talking less allows us to think more when we think more and speak less we get in less trouble

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that's a problem for someone like me who speaks for a living so i have to struggle with this one and really

58:04

stretch out to be quiet so if my wife is listening to this

58:09

we are actually out of duct tape the right answer is always the right

58:16

question when she's looking for an answer use the socratic method ask another question

58:24

i'm telling you this is a massive answer just keep asking questions

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just keep asking questions the more questions that you ask the more that she will divulge her heart and then you can

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simply wrap your arms around her take a deep breath repent and apologize for the

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hurt not for necessarily all the different things that happen in between but the hurt because that's what she's

58:49

wanting you to embrace anyway

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repeat what the other person is saying to make sure that you understand the offense i cannot tell you how many times

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i have been in an argument with someone and find out that i made a fool of myself because i did not clarify what

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they were saying not everyone in the middle of of emotion can be articulate and accurate about

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their feelings so when someone gives out their 22-minute message you should say is this

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what you're saying in a nutshell and then they might say no where have

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you been that's not anything of what i said sit back put the duct tape back over and

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let them re-clarify you have to know what they're really saying
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once you understand these three words will save your marriage validate
59:44
validate validate validate them
59:49
whether it's male or female friend teenager or even your children
59:55
deserve to be validated
1:00:00
i cannot tell you how many times because of uh of of what i do for a living sometimes i
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i'm done with work and i go home and i have to work again and i'll be in bed i'll be studying the
word or doing
1:00:12
something i'll be just deep into thought and my five-year-old to come in and start saying dad
1:00:18
dad dad if i had this go dad dad can i do dad dad cheryl's like jim
1:00:25
i'm like what i didn't hear a thing seriously she's like you got to be kidding me
1:00:33
she's standing two and a half feet from you yelling dad how do you not hear [Music]
1:00:39
what's my first response sometimes what
1:00:44
not good the little chin starts to quiver
1:00:50
and then my heart breaks and i have to turn over and validate her feelings because you
1:00:56
know what to her it's a big deal to play a puzzle before bedtime or would you tell me a bedtime
story
1:01:03
how many times have i broken one of my children's hearts yep jim staley pastor jim not a very
good pastor to his own
1:01:10
kids sometimes i'm just like any other dad i have my moments
1:01:15
i love my kids more than anything in the world but i have broken their heart sometimes
1:01:21
when i will snap at them and find out that dad dad dad this is true story by the way dad dad dad
dad
1:01:29
what i just want to give you a kiss good night
1:01:35
that'll break your heart real fast gentleness tenderness validate validate
1:01:42

validate we talked about this a lot and i love to

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talk about children because we are all children of the living god we all need to be treated like children

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it doesn't matter whether you can see her booboo she feels it

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embrace her validate what she feels men we should never be mean to our children ever we should never snap at

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anyone ever it's one thing that i have to work on consistently

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and i know the father is changing my heart and i'm excited about what he's teaching me see i i'm no different than

1:02:19

you i am no different i am more human than you i promise

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like i said before i have more hang-ups than a chinese laundromat

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but i can tell you that my zeal is to be the best dad and father and

1:02:39

husband that i could ever be and i will study my own material

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to be that logic doesn't matter logic doesn't matter

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rule number four wow we're only on rule number four listen

1:03:03

yes that dog is definitely all ears

1:03:09

gentlemen if you do this even if you look like this your wife will love you

1:03:18

just like being pulled over what does that mean

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most men even the most prideful men when they get pulled over

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when the cop comes to the door when the police officer comes to your window you roll down your window

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you will still call him officer you will still have respect you will still listen to what he has to say now what happens

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if you choose to be a little rude to the officer what is he going to do

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he is not going to say sir i can understand where you're coming from if i was in your shoes i'd probably do the

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same thing they don't train them that in in the police academy

1:04:02

they're going to say sir would you like to step out of the car because i can play that game if you

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would if you'd like

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listen it always goes further by the way when you're listening

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no reloading most of us we are listening but we're really not listening we're reloading our

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guns what do i mean by that we're trying to think of everything that like they're

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talking and it's just like it's like charlie brown blah blah blah blah while you're totally preparing your

1:04:36

speech nope no reloading you don't have a speech you have no idea what you're going to say

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because the only thing you're going to say is nothing for the next 21 and a half minutes just let it go

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rule number five admit when you're wrong this is really hard for guys to do when i took my medical scan amazingly

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embarrassingly the electrical frequency pulled up in my emotional system that i have a hard time

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admitting when i'm wrong that computer is dead wrong

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[Applause] i knew right then a thing of the whole

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or how can you say to my brother let me remove the speck from your eye and look at plank is in your own eye hypocrite

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first remove the plank from your own eye you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye

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remove the log and you'll see very clearly admit when you're wrong and

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here's my rule even if you're not wrong admit that you're wrong anyway because you've been wrong about something before

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so you might as well just admit it and pretend it's about something else just admit that you're wrong

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i cannot tell you how many times that i have admitted that i was wrong when i knew i wasn't wrong

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just because i knew that rule number five was the way to go i totally knew i was i was dead right

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but i'm gonna be wrong for the sake of the relationship

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by the end of the conversation i realized i was wrong

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let me ask you a question you run over a kid

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because he wasn't looking and rode his bike out on the street

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messes up your car is your first response to ask him for an

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apology

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then why do we do this when people offend us

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and you hit them or you're on the receiving end and there's damage to your car and the

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very first thing that you're worried about is whether or not your car whether you need a your relationship or is it

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that you want apology because what the creator wants you to do is worry about the relationship worry

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about the person not anything else nothing else matters but that person and

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are they going to survive that clash encounter

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does that make sense when you have an argument or a conflict your attitude should be how do we get

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through this and how do i love this person through this and how are we going to come out on the other side of the

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relationship the relationship that should be the only thing that matters right and wrong the second you are

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trying to defend yourself to be right you are already wrong

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you can be wrong and right at the same time

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for him to defend he's good at it unfortunately this is what we do

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you we create a sin we sin first and

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then the other person sins and sins and sins so let me give you a good example a

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husband makes an offense and let's say the wife doesn't handle it right and she uh just just goes off the

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handle and begins to create her sins she calls you a name and you don't

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handle it very well and so you call her a name the next thing you know you're fighting

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but you've got four or five things that that you've got on her now that she didn't have before

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and the reason why i put it on the powerpoint this way is because all of her sins

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are hanging off of yours if you would not have created the offense to begin with

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there are no sins you follow the logic there and so ultimately this is why yahweh

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says that the husband is the head of the household the captain of the ship and responsible for everything on his ship

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because if he leaves the helm to go down to wherever

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and the and the boat runs and someone has to take the wheel and so the co-pilot takes the wheel and runs into

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an iceberg the captain can't come up and be all angry at the co-captain

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he's the one that left the wheel gentlemen start your engines and start leading

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your families because you're the captain of the ship

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if your wife has taken over and driving your spiritual ship don't be surprised if she runs at the ground it's not her

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responsibility her responsibility in this analogy is

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you're driving she's out on the bow and looking for all the things that you

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might run into she comes back in says there's an iceberg up ahead our typical reaction is

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you don't know what you're talking about are you crazy i'm so tired of you coming in and giving me information that's negative can't you just come out and tell me that there's nothing but blue

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water and i'm doing a great job her job is to be the radar

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she's doing her job listen but recognize it if she makes any sense

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or your friend or your boss or whoever if you're the one that started it you

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got to take responsibility because every one of her sins are yours

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and that changed my perspective on certain conflicts and relationships that i have that yeah it was easy for me to

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point fingers because i had some real concrete things that they did not calculating that they would never

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have made those mistakes if i wouldn't have made this so actually those are my sins and i need to repent for their sins

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pretty much that's what yeshua did he died for our sins

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he didn't need to do that he didn't even begin it rule number six your spouse is not the enemy

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he's not the enemy where's the fight ephesians 6 we do not wrestle against flesh and blood but

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against principalities powers against rulers of the darkness of this age against spiritual hosts of wickedness in

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the heavenly places that is the enemy your wife your husband is not the enemy

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remember the goal to end up with a better relationship than you started that is the goal

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is to end up in the end zone i did not say bedroom i said end zone

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we want to have a better relationship a deeper more intimate relationship

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not to win rule number seven here we go find the common ground you both want to get through this be better people give

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honor to the father etc you know that you have a common ground there find it

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be an artist be creative look for it be a scientist

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get out your binoculars whatever you want to use as an analogy to help you when you're in the middle of an argument

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you've got to find the common ground because you can't stand together until

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you have common ground to stand on stay connected through that common

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ground rule number eight do not defend yourself we've been talking about this uh really all night

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long and for the past three sessions do not defend yourself it is pride when

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you defend yourself and will only force the other person to defend themselves the moment that you put your dukes up to

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defend yourself the other person by default will do the same

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and the only problem with this is that when you punch someone

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they are probably going to come back and say well i may not get another shot so i'm going to hit harder

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and you begin to trump one another trump one another until guys you're doing things and saying things that you can't

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even believe are coming out of your mouth you know what i'm talking about

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and it doesn't have to be your spouse it can be one of your friends could be your best friend

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truly try to understand where the other person is coming from and tell them that you understand how they can be upset

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even if you don't i'm telling you fake it

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because you're buying time until the holy spirit reveals to you exactly what

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the problem is so that you can embrace it and rescue them cover them love them

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take the mistake take the bullet like the example i gave you last night from david robinson a friend of mine who

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had the dream and he was holding his wife and he's he's going through this battle this war he's trying to present

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his wife to the king at the end of the battlefield on his throne do you want to present to your wife

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battered and torn with and using her as a shield with all of the bullets going through her or do you want to present

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her with you having all the bullets no it doesn't feel good to do it but i'm

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telling you it will on judgment day when you present a perfect bride that you took care of

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so it doesn't matter whether you're right or wrong take the bullet it's hard to do but when you do it it

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feels so good and unbelievably i can tell you and stand here with all the honesty in me and give you the truth

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that i have done this and when i do it 100 of time my wife humbles herself

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almost immediately because deep down inside of every person they know when they're right and wrong

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and when the other person starts to humble themselves before the other person

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they begin to feel the truth the emotions go down the logic comes up

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spirituality starts to get there and all of a sudden they're convicted by the ruach hakadesh the holy spirit that they

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need to repent that when you begin to say you know what it's all my fault i shouldn't have done that you know i take

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full responsibility if i wouldn't have done this that we wouldn't be in this mess even if you feel like you've done

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nothing at some point your spouse your friend your boss is going to say it's not all your fault i had something to

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play in it too i'm telling you it works almost every time

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and it's not a trick you're just doing whatever it takes because the relationship is the most

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important to you not your pride

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almost finished here rule number nine never never never criticize never

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because this is what happens every time we do it hurts

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careless words go down inside of the body into the heart and create bars like that of a

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strong castle according to proverbs criticism hurts

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critique is different it simply kills

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if you have negative criticism keep it to yourself and pray okay keep it to yourself if it's

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negative criticism keep it to yourself and pray there is such a thing as

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positive criticism so here's how you handle that because this just goes for anything in life

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if it's constructive start out by complimenting them and asking them what do you think if

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they come up with a new uh let's just throw an example out your wife bakes this beautiful cake and and uh and she

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asks she's baking this cake for someone else for a birthday party and she asked you what do you think

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well she forgot to put the candles on there

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so your first thing shouldn't be that's ridiculous i can't believe you forgot to put the candles

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the way you should approach the situation is man that is a beautiful cake i can't believe the details that

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you put in that i can't wait to taste it what do you think that what do you think about putting a few candles right here

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what do you think her response is going to be oh my gosh i can't believe i forgot the candles

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start with the positive compliment and ask a question never say you should have done this you

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should have done that startup what do you think about this what do you think about that because everyone loves to give an opinion do they not

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so ask them their opinion they're going to get the hint and they're going to be amazed that you're being so

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respectful your picture is truly amazing what do

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you think about adding a mountain seeing that the contest that we're having is about mountains

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your dinner was very good what do you think about eating out for the rest of our lives

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i'm not suggesting you use that one

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[Laughter] not everybody is a great cook okay

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but when she asks you how do those hockey pucks call a taste you you say you know that's good we could probably sell them on ebay to hockey players

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what do you think about us extra income rule number 10 last but not least don't

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judge me and i love this one because it gives a

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great this is what people are thinking

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don't judge me if you don't know me we don't know each other because most of

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us don't live in community my friends i know them they know me we have an understanding that you can

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judge me you know why because i know that you love me and your judgment will be righteous and it will be true and it

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will be gentle i want you to judge me because judgment starts with the

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household of god if we don't judge one another we can't grow because when i say

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judge you're thinking of condemn because in the greek that's what we've been taught

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but when your wife asked you and when i asked my wife this evening what do you think about this shirt does this shirt

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look okay i'm asking for her to judge does that make sense

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we need to be able to judge but don't judge someone that you don't know and i didn't say criticize

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let's talk about this for a moment i like this judging a person does not define who they are it defines who you

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are how you judge someone defines who you

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are because you don't know that person you don't know anything about that person

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think the best about people let me give you a few examples maybe they're angry because they have a spouse that abuses

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them you ever thought about that maybe that woman that works with you in the cubicle across the hall is so angry

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and cursing all the time because she goes home and her husband is cheating on her and beating her

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and she doesn't know what else to do so her hurt the cellular dysfunction

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it's coming out in a physical anger way emotional way

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how about the the prostitute how do you know that she wasn't forced to be a prostitute when she was kidnapped as a

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little girl she doesn't know anything else this happens every day ladies and gentlemen across the world

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you don't know people's stories most often when they when they uh when

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they talk to these young women that are prostitutes they will find out that over

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70 percent of them were sexually abused by their fathers

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and now we want to judge them for how terrible and yucky they are we should stop thank the living god that

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we are not in their shoes and pray for them minister to them

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yeshua would have been on the street corner ministering to them

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he did it actually by a well maybe he cut you off on the highway

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because there's a friend in the hospital did you think of that the guy going 95 miles an hour that you just called a bad

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name because he cut you off made you slam on your brakes how do you know that he just didn't get a call that his wife

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was in an accident she's in the trauma and they said you got 15 minutes to get here she's going to die

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why is it in mankind in our psyche that we think negative is our first

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thought why is it that everything that happens to us gets filtered through this

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negative bad attitude why is it that because you know i i walk

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during worship i go down to my office and someone judges me and says why isn't

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he in here in worship and don't know that i'm watching my two-year-old sleep because she hasn't slept all day in my

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office while i'm watching online and worshipping in my office

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why is it that is the first thing that comes to our mind is to judge

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the very first thing we should be doing is thinking there must be something that i don't know

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we have got to start thinking positive we've been talking a lot this weekend about speaking life over people speaking

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high speaking in hebrew blessing

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when the government does something that we don't like and we and it seems like this country's doing this and why aren't

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we doing something our first inclination i gotta admit mine is too why aren't we doing something

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but our first inclination should be there must be information that i don't know

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there must be information that i don't know

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assume you're missing information maybe they're sinning because the enemy

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has taken advantage of them and they don't even know it i'm going to pray for them right now

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maybe they're sinning because the enemy is taking advantage of them and they don't even know it i'm going to pray for

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them right now bottom line look at the other person's

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thoughts with respect and sincere interest look at the other person's thoughts with

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respect and sincere interest number two look for the missing

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information look to validate

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look at it as an opportunity to grow with the other person yahweh and even

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yourself you see i'm not saying talk i'm saying look look with the right eyes

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closed look for the hurt look to love

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ladies and gentlemen this is the way that yeshua the messiah looks at us he does not look to condemn he does not

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look to judge he looks at us as a plant that he is trying to grow in the soil of

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his word so that we can be all that we are meant to be

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we should look at one another as this do you realize how tender this situation is

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the soil is shallow the plant is young it needs constant moisture warmth

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love tenderness and attention if you want to have a fantastic

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relationship if you want to have a great marriage if you want to have a lot of friends and influence a lot of people

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study the material that we've talked about love them validate them and think

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the best about them never let negative feelings or emotions

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swell up always think the best read

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first corinthians chapter 13 what we call the love chapter memorize it live it

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and the best thing that you can do is make a cheat sheet over all of these this series of shalom in the home and

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paste it to your mirror in the morning and every morning as you're brushing your teeth or combing your hair for men

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that whole 12 seconds go through the bullet points on the mirror

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does this make sense is it helpful all right would you stand with me let's

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pray father thank you so much for providing

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the light of life thank you for forgiveness and mercy

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we thank you father that you give us instructions in your word and practical ideas how we can love one another better

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stronger and have deeper relationships father it's time that we walk the walk

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and stop just talking the talk it's time that our marriages become strong our relationships become deeper that we

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begin to open up our hearts to one another confessing our sins humbling

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ourselves before our brides and our friends it's time that we stop hiding our sins

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and hating our neighbor it's time that we start going to our neighbor in love and sharing our

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feelings and it's time for us to hear and to listen to our neighbor

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when they share father i pray that you quicken all these things to our memory

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and at the end of the day there will be shalom in our home amen

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amen and amen thank you lord

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[Applause] [Music]

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