



“come just as you are”
Refresh, Restore, Rebuild = Healing

~Thought For The Day~

Prayer.....

God Father; I ask it in Jesus' name rekindle all marriages, make them new, and both of the spouses into each other. Let them be renewed in You, and I pray that both love each other, and seek You to learn how to love each other, the steadfast kind of eternal Love that only You can give and provide. I pray that they keep You first in their lives and marriage. Lead them and guide them. Help them to practice and live in otherness toward one another. I pray that You fill their minds with how they came together, and if they were just enjoy and celebrate each others lives, and the differences, for pray there were no differences than life would be kind of stale Lord. Bless and keep each couple and let them bear much fruit in their marriage as a witness to and of You, and Your life plan. If there is offense I pray that You fill them with to forgive each other. I ask it in Jesus' name. Amen.

These next couple of days I will be posting some articles on marriage. I just want to say they are well written and that is why I am sharing, with so many marriages failing today, we all can use all the info we can get...so I pray the posts bless you as they did me.

First, I would like to encourage both of you to have daily devotionals together. Have you ever sat and listened to how your spouse prays for you? Have you just dug into the Word together? Do you worship together? This is at home in addition to Church and other services at Church. It is a very intimate time together. You both should be so in love with Christ that you both have to seek Him to know how to love Your spouse. Secondly, in 1 Corin. 13 put your spouses name in it. Example; Cj is patient, Cj is kind and read it to each other. Eye openinghuh? Thirdly, my question to you is..”Would you want to be married to you?” If not, why not? If not than seek God and His Word what you need to change. Fourthly, you cannot change anyone, you are responsible only for you, and only you with God can make changes in you. Fifthly, if your spouse is not saved, you are unevenly yoked. If you are being abused you should leave and seek help, and remember you both are teaching your kids your life styles and habits. If you are unevenly yoked than the Lord is Your spouse for spiritual guidance, so seek Him for everything and cast the care on Him. The wife is to submit to leadership of the husband, this does not mean he owns your brain, if he is doing anything against God, or illegal you do not have to do it, God hates abuse too. The Bible also says that a man is to love his wife as Jesus loved the Church. If the man is doing anything against God, or illegal than God is your husband-man, because the man has broken the marriage covenant. In everything we are to do it as unto the Lord, for marriage is Holy Matrimony. If your spouse is unsaved, spiritually they do not know better, but we do have examples in our lives. Pray for your spouse. If your spouse is unsaved you can still fellowship with God as I stated above, and it will strengthen you. In trying times find a mature believer of the same sex to come along beside you for prayer and fellowship, someone you can trust. If the marriage is in a really bad way, I recommend counseling, Christian preferably. Good council will not usually council man/woman or vice versa, except for a few sessions and never for private meetings one on one by yourself, unless the protocols for safety are in place.

Communication is a problem, people do not know how to talk to each other, so start small; “how was your day” than....tell me about it....if you need to point something out to someone that is a problem both male and female, than do it like the Bible says....quietly and in love.....no accusing, yelling, fault finding, or I said's....again you can only change you, they have to change themselves you never will change them, it just will not work.

The define's at right are all on union, which is what marriage is....a union.

How to fireproof your marriage is a good movie, with the workbook also to study, if you have not already seen it, than I would suggest you do it is eye opening and it is not a chick flick, the guys do most of the talking but so does the wife.....you can buy it at most retail stores, and I plan to use it for pre marriage counseling.

Marriage is hard work, and you have to work on it daily, it will probably be the hardest task you ever do in life. I would like also to challenge you to, say one kind sentence to your spouse everyday this week, encourage them. Romance is missing in a lot of marriages after you get hitched....the wife still want's to be “my girl” and the husband still wants to be “my guy” that does not change.....that is why you chose each other, and it is that way also into your 90's.

So I pray that this all is a blessing to you....be blessed.

Lastly..I want to say I have buried two husbands the first at 41, the second at 59....I will never be married 50 years.....you have a chance....so make it a master piece. God bless.

Marriage is honorable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge . **Hebrews 13:4**

24. And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, 25. In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; 26. And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

II Timothy 2:24-26

Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.

Matthew 18:19

Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. **Phil. 2:3**

1If I speak in the tongues² of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. 2If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. 3If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames⁴ but have not love, I gain nothing.

4Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 6Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. 7It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

8Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. 9For we know in part and we prophesy in part, 10but when perfection comes, the imperfect disappears. 11When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put childish ways behind me. 12Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

13And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love. **1 Corin. 13**

The Number One Problem in Marriages—Strife

Harmony at home is one of the greatest blessings in life. It's also one of the easiest blessings to lose if we don't make a decision to do all we can to nurture our marriage relationship.

From the Scriptures you can learn the proper attitude about marriage: “Let marriage be held in honor (esteemed) by the people, precious, of great value and especially dear) in all things. And thus let the marriage bed be undefiled (kept un dishonored); for God will judge and punish the unchaste [all guilty of sexual vice] and adulterous” (**Hebrews 13:4**, The Amplified Bible).

When a couple ceases to view their marriage as precious and dear, they can become selfish and contentious with one another. Left uncorrected this attitude will lead to full-blown strife and can eventually lead to things such as sexual sin, divorce, physical injury or death.

We must learn from the Word of God how to live in harmony with each other. If we aren't doing what it takes to live in harmony, then we are choosing to live in the destructive arena of strife.

Strife is deadly. It opens the door for the devil to steal, kill and destroy our home life. Any time we're in strife, we give the devil permission to take us captive—at his will. **II Timothy 2:24-26** says, “And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient. In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; and that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.”

Strife gives the devil the upper hand! Throughout the Scriptures, God warns us about the danger of strife. Yet, it's still one of the most common problems among believers. Of course, we don't purposely let it in. We don't wake up in the morning and say, “I think I'm going to stir up some major strife at home today.” We just inadvertently let it slip up on us—one minor irritation at a time.

If you have a tendency to let things irritate you, then decide to overcome that tendency. Take a big stand against those little opportunities for strife. If you've spent a lifetime getting your feathers ruffled over every little thing, it may take a while for you to break that habit, but you can do it. You may have to work at it a moment at a time, but when you do, you'll be in a place where God can guide your steps and save you from some grave mistakes.

Strife feeds on selfishness. And one of the easiest places to remain selfish is with those dearest to you, in your own home. Being in front of other people often provides an added incentive to operate in love. You can find yourself being nicer and more courteous to friends and acquaintances than to your own family. At home with your family, temptation can come to allow selfish privileges that promote disharmony—as if selfishness had no consequences at home. You may find yourself saying things to those close to you that you wouldn't dream of saying to anyone else. Thoughtless, hurtful words spoken to our spouse or children can set us up for a strife-ridden home life.

Disagreements happen in every relationship, but it's more important to avoid strife than to appear justified in our opinions.

So how do we stop strife? We do it by going to the Word of God to seek His wisdom in settling disputes. The wisdom from above is peace, loving and easily entreated, willing to yield to reason.

A husband and wife will see things differently, but if they are both committed to the Word, strife can't exist. If each of them walk in love and give the Word of God first place in their life (instead of selfish desires), Satan will have no foothold to bring disharmony and division. Allowing the Word of God to be the final authority in settling disagreements will take the pressure off everybody and it will restore harmony in your home.

A Christian husband and wife who learn to live and pray in harmony are mighty instruments of the Lord Jesus. When they agree and pray together about something, it will come to pass (**Matthew 18:19**). The rewards of living in harmony and backing each other with prayer are more than worth the effort it takes to walk in love with each other.

Don't let the devil trick you. The moment that you become aware of Satan trying to move you into an area of strife, stop him immediately with the Name of Jesus. Learn to resist strife just as you learned to resist sin and sickness. The Word says, “Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory...” (**Philippians 2:3**). Obey God's Word and be free from Satan's evil works.

If you need further counsel, please consider contacting your local pastor or a pastor in your area who is full of the Word of God. Allow him to minister and counsel with you.

Your Brother in Christ...

Psa 119:105
Thy word [is] a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

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Define....

Love Union—

- (n.) The act of uniting or joining two or more things into one, or the state of being united or joined; junction; coalition; combination.
- Agreement and conjunction of mind, spirit, will, affections, or the like; harmony; concord.
- But he who is in union with the Master is one with Him in spirit
- But He who is making us as well as you steadfast through union with the Anointed One, and has anointed us, is God,
- in union with whom the whole fabric, fitted and closely joined together, is growing so as to form a holy sanctuary in the Lord
- But we shall lovingly hold to the truth, and shall in all respects grow up into union with Him who is our Head, even Christ.
- And then the peace of God, which transcends all our powers of thought, will be a garrison to guard your hearts and minds in union with Christ Jesus.
- As therefore you have received the Christ, even Jesus our Lord, live and act in vital union with Him;
- And over all these put on love, which is the perfect bond of union
- As for you, let the teaching which you have received from the very beginning continue in your hearts. If that teaching does continue in your hearts, you also will continue to be in union with the Son and with the Father.
- No one has ever yet seen God. If we love one another, God continues in union with us, and His love in all its perfection is in our hearts.

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