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MARRIAGE 2 of 6: Leave, Cleave, Be One Flesh

Genesis 2:24: "Therefore shall a man _____ his father and his mother, and shall _____ unto his wife: and they shall _____,"

Leave, Cleave, Be One Flesh

Matthew 19:3-10. {Some} Pharisees came to Jesus, testing Him and asking, "Is it lawful {for a man} to divorce his wife for any reason at all?" And He answered and said, "Have you not read that He who created {them} from the beginning MADE THEM MALE AND FEMALE, and said, 'FOR THIS REASON A MAN SHALL _____ HIS FATHER AND MOTHER AND _____ TO HIS WIFE, AND THE TWO SHALL _____'?"

"So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore, what God has joined together, let not Man _____." They *said to Him, "Why then did Moses command to GIVE HER A CERTIFICATE OF DIVORCE AND SEND {her} AWAY?" He *said to them, "Because of your _____ Moses permitted you to divorce your wives; but from _____ it has not been this way.

Leave, Cleave, Be One Flesh, Tear Asunder, Hardness of Heart, The Beginning

Genesis 1:1. "In _____ God created the Heavens and Earth."

The Beginning

When something is from "the beginning" it tells you that it is a Design Principle. God is telling us how the system has been engineered for All People in All Places in All Times. This was supposed to be the Human Rule - not the Jewish Rule or the Christian Rule - the Human Rule.

Leave: TtG&U, LtB&U: _____

Take the Good and Useful. Leave the Bad and Useless.

Consider: Personal Stuff. Clothes. Furniture. Junk. Garbage.

Leave includes two skills:

L: _____ - You need to take useful skills and insights.

Learn

F: _____ - You need to Forgive to leave the bad stuff.

Forgive

Leave: FoO, APR: _____

Family of Origin, All Prior Relationships

All Prior Relationships include All Romantic Relationships, Friendships, Jobs, and Lifestyles.

Principle: Refiner's Fire - RDoBS, KtGS: _____

Get Rid of Bad Stuff, Keep the Good Stuff

Malachi 3:3 - "He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver."

Proverbs 25:4 - "Take away the dross from the silver, and there shall come forth a vessel for the smith."

How To Leave - Take the Good Stuff:

1. Think About What Was _____.

Good

2. Understand _____.

Principles

3. Consider _____.

Unintended Consequences

The Principle: BttMWtMN: _____

Bring to the Marriage What the Marriage Needs

In order to "Bring to the Marriage What the Marriage Needs" you need to know WtMN:

What the Marriage Needs

Another Principle: BtBTStB: _____

Be the Blessing THEN Seek the Blessing

You need to know what the _____ is to BE IT or to SEEK IT.

Blessing

How To Leave - Leave the Bad Stuff:

1. Think About What Was _____.

Bad

2. Understand _____.

Principles

3. _____.

What Would Be Good

“Natural Reactions” to Bad Stuff: 1. D: _____ 2. R: _____

Duplicate, Rebel

Both of Them are Symptoms of LiR: _____

Living in Reaction

UN: _____ - You don't do it. The ripples pile up.

Unforgiveness Nightmare

The garbage accumulates and poisons your Marriage Relationship - bleeds down to your children and poisons them, too - and you don't realize until it's too late... It's gone through you to your children - and now it's too late for you to stop it from hurting them. *Now it's up to them....*

Solution for The Parent: FPA: _____

Four Point Apology

1. For NK _____

Not Knowing

3. For NT _____

For Not Teaching

2. For ND _____

Not Doing

4. _____

For the Garbage You Let Pass Through You.

Cleave: MW, YW, OW: _____

My Way. Your Way. Our Way.

If you Leave properly, you show up without Garbage. But you only need one bed...

How to Cleave:

1. Know What YW _____ Is.

Your Way

2. Understand YOP _____.

Your Own Principles

3. Remember APMBCA: _____

All Principles Must Be Consistently Applied

Communication : ATol: _____

A Transfer of Ideas

Basic Communication Rule: UDBU: _____

Understand, Define, Be Understood

Basic Communication Technique: EWP: _____

Emotional Word Picture

Stephen Covey: HTA: _____

Higher Third Alternative

Even opposing points of view can come together and use the expanded awareness of variables others bring to the table, develop a New Way that is better than either of the starting options.

Principle: Pruning - GRoGStGBS: _____

Get Rid of Good Stuff to Get Better Stuff

John 15:2 - *"Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, He takes up; and every branch that does bear fruit, He prunes that it may bear more fruit."*

Leave Wrong. TtWS; _____

Take the Wrong Stuff

Cleave Wrong. TMHW, TMHW, OWNGW. _____

Too Much His Way, Too Much Her Way, Our Way Not Good Way

TMHW/TMHW creates a Relationship that is L: _____

Lopsided

Old: MD _____ - In Time, Women Rebelled.

Men Dominat

New: WD _____ - Still Not "Our Way"!

Women Dominate

OWNAGW: BS: _____ NT: _____

Bad Start, No Thinking

WBM: _____ - Choose Accordingly.

Watch Before Marriage