Only When There Is Peace In The House Can There Be Unity With The Spouse!

Isaiah 55:8-9 (ASV)

⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith Jehovah. ⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Genesis 1:26 (ASV)

And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the heavens, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

Genesis 2:21-22 (ASV)

And Jehovah God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof: ²² and the rib, which Jehovah God had taken from the man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.

1 Corinthians 13:13 (ASV)

But now abideth faith, hope, love, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

Ephesians 5:25-26 (ASV)

Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself up for it; ²⁶ that he might sanctify it, having cleansed it by the washing of water with the word,

Ephesians 5:22-23 (ASV)

Wives, *be in subjection* unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife, and Christ also is the head of the church, *being* himself the savior of the body.

Hard to believe but men don't think like a women and women don't think like a man!!!!!

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In our relationships, how we measure love is different.

- Women's brains have more gigabytes than man's.
- Man's brains come with only the basic requirements.
- Example: Phone call about a newborn.

In our relationships, how we measure love is different.

- Women hear everything, men have selective hearing.
- Women can watch TV, surf the internet, wash clothes and even read a book and hear everything.

• Husband watching TV, wife ask the man, while I am gone could you move the mulch, go to the store and wash the car: when she gets back nothing is done.

Wife gets angry because the husband did nothing.

- In all honesty he heard nothing.
- She swears she told him, he swears she didn't.
- Never give a man vital INFORMATION when he is focused on something else: he doesn't hear you.
- Women can multi task but a man can't, when he is focused he can't hear.

In our relationships, how we measure love is different.

- Women how do you get a man to do what you want: ask him more than once.
- If you only ask once it is like you never asked at all.
- If honest you really don't want to ask at all.
- If honest you believe that if the man really loved you he would do it any way.
- You can put the laundry basket in the middle of the floor, he will walk around it, but he doesn't see it.
- Example: Man washes dishes....

Women don't think very highly of themselves, even though the Bible says that you were fearfully and wonderfully made.

- Women you look in the mirror and think, I am too fat, too skinny, to tall, to short, too oily.
- Men on the other half think very highly of ourselves, we love ourselves, don't believe then ask us.
- Women when you husband compliments you, accept the compliment.

- Stop pushing your husband away.
- 3 billion women in the world who don't look like supermodels and only 10 who do.
- Out of that 10 they are airbrushed, so they don't really look that way either.
- Marilyn Monroe wore a size 14, and she
- Men are not looking for perfection, men want a women who is real.
- Women be happy with who you are.

Women how do you reward your man?

- By appreciating the pathetic things he does.
- Men like to be appreciated.
- More you appreciate him the more he responds.
- The more you nag the less he respond.

Problem is that women only appreciate the unexpected kindness.

• That is how they fell in love with us: after 35 years it is hard to find unexpected things to do.

I have finally learned how to determine if the dishes are cleaned or dirty in the dish washer.

- For men that is a moral dilemma.
- One day I cleaned out the dishwasher and stayed near the kitchen to see what would happen.
- I wanted affirmation.

Relationships are based on a numbers scale, trouble comes when one believes they have more points than the other.

• This will be hard for those who have only been married for a short period of time because you have not heard the stupid ideas he is going to come up with.

Many women believe it is their God given responsibility to keep their man humble.

- That mindset is not biblical, will destroy a relationship.
- Men have very fragile egos and can't handle rejection.
- When a man can't feel that he can talk to his wife then the marriage is in trouble.

Men don't count like women.

- Man gets out of bed that is 100 points.
- He shaves, takes a bath that is another 100 points.
- He goes to work that is a 1000 points.
- He doesn't look at a woman all day that is 2000 points.
- He comes home and does not go out with the guys that is 3000 points.
- He comes in, kisses his wife, hugs his children that is 5000 points.
- He sits down on the couch and feels like he has more points and does nothing.

If the woman counted the points:

- Man gets out of be that is 1point.
- He shaves, takes a bath that is another 1 point.
- He goes to work that is a 10 points.
- He doesn't look at a woman all day that is 0 points.
- He comes home and does not go out with the guys that is 0 points.
- He comes in, kisses his wife, hugs his children that is 5 points.
- He sits down on the couch and feels like he has more points and does nothing. Her 17 to his 11200.

Men how to succeed in this point game by doing virtually nothing.

- Wife takes a bath, go make the bed, she sees what you done "ding" 1 point.
- That monument of dirty clothes that you have been making, put them up and put them in the dirty clothes basket, "ding" 1 point.
- After dinner clean off the table, "ding" 1 point.
- Go do the unexpected, take her out to dinner, find a baby sitter, buy her a rose, "ding" "ding" ding" 3 points. [she tells friends]
- Really want to score points let her talk and you just listen, "ding" 1 point.
- Ask her after the conversation how did that make you feel, "ding" "ding" "ding" "multiple points.

How do we stay married with out killing each other.

- First don't forget it is against God's command.
- Avoid bitterness and resentment.
- Marriage is not about who has the most points.
- Marriage is about honoring God.
- Men marriage is about treating your wife as Christ treats the church.

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 Second appreciate what each other does, no matter how large or how small.

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• Third we might have to change our perspective on what we romanticized marriage to be.

Some Where Over The Rainbow

Ephesians 4:2-3 (NASB)

² with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love, ³ being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

What A Wonderful World

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