

NOBLE MARITIME

Ministries

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Success in Relationships = Honor

How many of us have struggled, or are currently struggling, with a difficult relationship where the other person is just not responding to me the way I wish? What is going on? How can I get through to them and get them to 'smarten up'?!

All too often we hear, "My kids have rejected my values and my God" or "My spouse is lifeless, indifferent to me and has addictions (often pornography) or having an affair. I am at my wit's end and I can't figure out how this happened!!"

Here is what we see as a common root cause. What that loved one (teenager, spouse, co-worker, employee, etc.) needs is NOT having their negative behavior pointed out. They already know they are blowing it! **Trying to change them will ultimately feel like intrinsic rejection and shame** and will not generate the desired result but will actually produce the very opposite. What they really need is to receive a clearer vision of who they are (who God designed them to be) and for **someone** to validate them!

If this describes your situation, here is a suggestion: Stop the negative focus, put aside personal offense (they aren't hurting you on purpose) and ask God to show you what He sees in them (their destiny/design). Then, speak that out over them in your prayer closet, like Jesus, when He declared in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come forth!" And finally, encourage them a hundred times a day, in order to draw that life to the surface.

Jesus gathered a bunch of losers and **spoke a vision** of greatness into them, the same way He spoke the world into existence. He extended love and grace to guilty sinners and lifted them into world-changing destinies. They flocked to Him and allowed Him to speak into their lives. We have the same power and authority to speak life to another living soul. Isn't that what we desire for our loved one(s)?

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MV Pelican Sold!!

The motor vessel 'Pelican', which Neil has been caretaking and building relationship with owner Bill D, has finally sold to an Italian buyer. Bill has highly endorsed Neil to the new owner, trained him to run the boat and put him on the insurance plan as one of only two Captains permitted to operate the vessel. What does this mean? We have no idea! The boat will undergo a major refit this winter and then be driven to the Caribbean and then shipped to the Mediterranean, where the new owner will keep her. Hmmm, maybe we haven't seen the last of her yet!



25th Wedding Anniversary

Celebrating 25 years of the Lord's goodness! It has been quite an exciting voyage so far – so grateful we're not in this alone! © Yay God!



If you are truly speaking over them value, honor and future greatness (rather than criticism), they will want to be with you rather than with the street gang, promiscuous co-worker or internet pornography! You are relaying LIFE and LOVE from the Father's heart to theirs. **The others are just painkillers, hoping to numb the pain of rejection.** Do you realize that the gang, seductress or the pornographic image relays the message to their heart, "I accept you just the way you are and I want you"? 99% of the time my teenager or spouse is behaving in an undesirable way **because I haven't communicated powerfully enough to their heart that they are valued and wanted.** I haven't painted for them, with my words and actions, a God-given picture of who He designed them to be. Your partner or child can sense, regardless of your words, if you wish they would change; and you may be driving them away. A further result of this tragedy is that if you have touted "God's standards" in the process, God will also be rejected.

In prayer counseling sessions we witness again and again **God speaking messages of greatness** to imperfect humans, e.g., "I designed you especially for Me", "You are my princess", "You are My favorite", "No one can replace you in My plan", "You have a very special role to fill", "I am with you no matter what!"

One blockage, however, to being able to call forth LIFE in another person is that **you can only love your neighbor as [to the degree which] you love yourself!** If you haven't experienced the Father's unconditional love for you - apart from your performance - then you will be limited in your effectiveness in conveying love to another.

As Dr. Everson Eggerichs teaches in "*Love and Respect*", the wayward wife is won back with the gift of unconditional love, the lost husband is won with the underserved gift of unconditional respect of his personhood; and we would add, the young person is won by communicating God's heart and vision for them. There is power in the message "I believe in you", "You are great, you could be the next...", "I'm so proud of you!", "How can I help you be even greater?" Speaking such messages are like fertilizer for the soul! **Both the devil and the Father are eager to talk to us about our**

value! Whose voice will we heed for ourselves and whose voice will we duplicate for others? Let's call forth LIFE!

*Thanks & Blessings
Capt. Neil and Crew~*

May News

'Guinea pigs' received massive emotional healings as prayer counseling trainees begin practicing on each other! ☺

We are really enjoying participation in the Leadership Development Program (LDP) through Bethel Church in Redding, Calif.

We are especially grateful for our home as spring arrives, bringing Gray Whale, Bald Eagles, Osprey, Great Blue Herons, more boat traffic, Hope Island, Mount Baker, beautiful blossoms in



the garden and even a little bird nest with 4 eggs built in the hanging fuchsia plant! Signs of life!



+Josh is currently working on a film shoot in Washington D.C.

+Julie had wisdom teeth removed

+Betsy rode in her first horse show of the season