

LEADERSHIP AND RELATIONSHIPS

Session 2

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PRINCIPLE #2

- ◉ We must learn _____ to communicate, and we must learn ____ communicate.

“Speaking the truth in love.”

Ephesians 4:15 KJV

“Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin (fault), you who are spiritual should restore him gently (meekness). But watch yourself, or you may also be tempted.”

Galatians 6:1 NIV

“If your brother sins against you, go and show him his fault, just between the two of you. If he listens to you, you have won your brother over. But if he will not listen, take one or two others along...”

Matthew 18:15,16 NIV

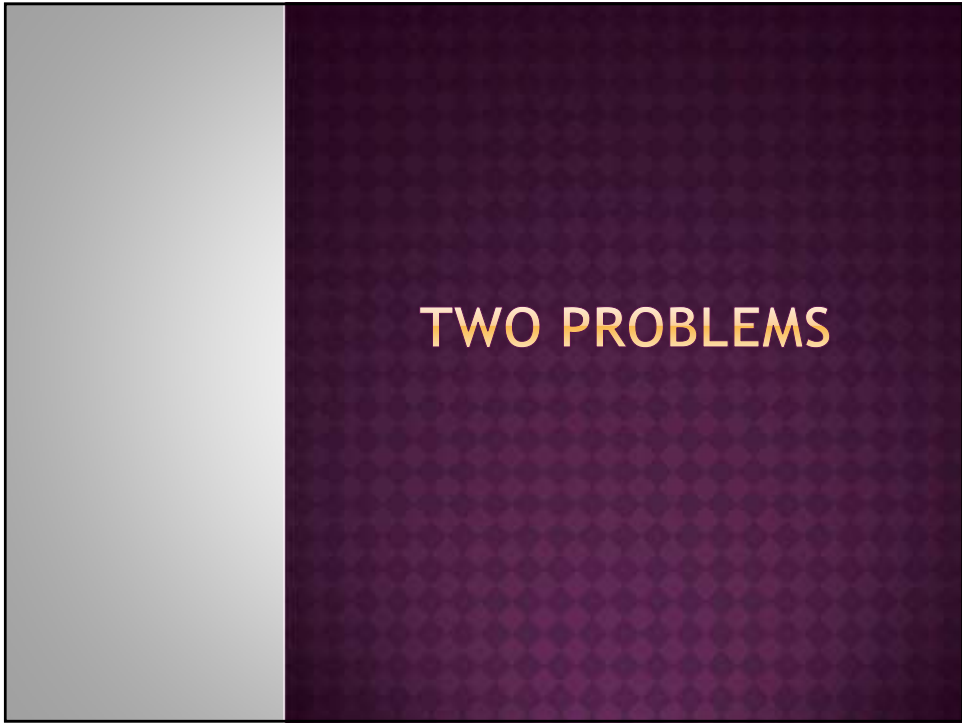
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1. _____ is not communication. Neither is debating.

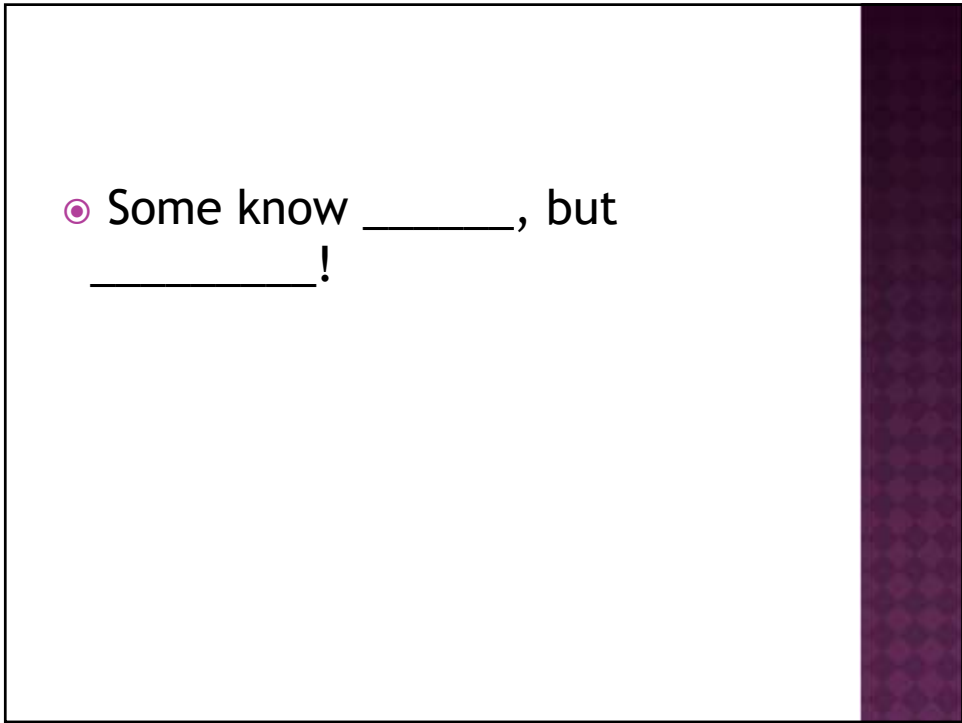
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2. The elements of communication are _____, _____, feeling, _____, and sensitivity.

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- ◉ Some don't hesitate, but don't know _____!

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**KEY WORDS
(EPHESIANS 4:15)**

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KEY WORD #1 - _____

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◉ “Silence is Golden” - True or False

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- ◉ **True** - When you've talked yourself to death or been talked to death all day.

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- ◉ **True** - When you've been in a noisy environment all day.

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- ◉ **True** - When talking too much would convince others you are not the brightest light bulb in the building.

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- ◉ **True** - When saying things you can't take back.

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- ◉ **False** - When trying to build healthy relationships.

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- ◉ **False** - When restoring a brother from failure/fault.

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- ◉ **False** - When reconciling an offense.

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“SILENCE IS GOLDEN” -
TRUE _____ FALSE

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- ◉ Context of Ephesians 4:15

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a) _____ - Doing what this verse says protects against division.

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b) _____ - Doing what this verse says protects against immaturity.

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“But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”
Romans 5:8 NIV

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- ◉ Why people refuse to speak to one another:

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- ◉ God's Example:
He never stopped talking to us!
(Hebrews 1:1,2)

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Example: Nehemiah 5:6-13

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- He spoke to the people directly
_____.

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There are only two reasons to speak to others outside the situation:

_____ - the focus is on the process not the person.

_____ - two or three go to help, not hurt.

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- ⦿ He spoke to people only after he took time to _____.

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○ He spoke the _____ in _____.

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KEYWORD #2 - _____

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- ◉ There are at least two kinds of truth:

_____ - objective, clear,
obvious evidence

_____ - opinions, responses,
personal perspective

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Examples of Feelings Truth

“This is what I feel.”

“This is how that made me feel.”

“This is what I perceived.”

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Examples of Facts Truth

“This was what happened.”

“This is what I saw/heard.”

“This is what I said/did.”

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Truth Warning: We tend to
misrepresent truth due to self.

Self _____,

Self _____,

Self _____,

Self _____...

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Truth Guide: “May the absent
always feel safe in our
presence.” Dr. Billy Graham

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KEY WORD #3 - _____

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Two Options

- ◉ “Love” is connected in this verse with _____.
- ◉ “Love is connected in this verse with _____.

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SPEAK...IN LOVE!

- ◉ Speaking in love is _____ I say and _____ I say it.

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◉ Suggestions

- Use _____.

- Avoid using the pronoun _____

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“If we could read the secret history of others, we should find in each man’s life sorrow and suffering enough to disarm us of all hostility.”

Henry W. Longfellow

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SPEAK...THE TRUTH...IN LOVE!

- ◉ Speaking is the act of love.
Speaking truth is too!
- ◉ Some think you are not being loving if you are truthful. Could it be you are not loving if you are not truthful?

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IMPORTANT!

- ◉ Truth without love _____, but love without truth _____.
- ◉ Truth without love is _____, but love without truth is _____.

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BALANCE!

“Walk in Love”...Ephesians 5:2

“Walk in Light”...Ephesians 5:8

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- ◉ In Ephesians 5:1, it says we are to be followers of God! God is truth and love in _____!

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