

PROVERBS 16:24

²⁴ Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.

PROVERBS 12:25

²⁵ Heaviness in the heart of man maketh it stoop: but a good word maketh it glad.

E. Committed communication is _____

MATTHEW 5:7

⁷ Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

QUOTE: "What is mercy? It is my commitment to appeal to another's perceptions for the purpose of ministering to him at the level of his need. It is crawling inside someone else's skin, feeling what he feels, and on the basis of the understanding gleaned, ministering to him."—Jim Binney

Conclusion: _____



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EPHESIANS 5:33

³³ Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband.

Introduction: _____

1. The Difficulty with Communication

A. Because we communicate in code

B. Because we communicate critically

TITUS 2:4

⁴ That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children.



C. Because we communicate covertly

1 PETER 3:7

7 Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.

1 CORINTHIANS 7:33-34

33 But he that is married careth for the things that are of the world, how he may please his wife. 34 There is difference also between a wife and a virgin. The unmarried woman careth for the things of the Lord, that she may be holy both in body and in spirit: but she that is married careth for the things of the world, how she may please her husband.

QUOTE: "The tendency is to devote our efforts to getting our mate to come to where we live rather than going to where he or she is. In fact, many marriages deteriorate into a scratching, clawing effort to get the other mate to 'understand me'. We are naturally more conscious of our own needs and sensitive to them than we are to those of our mate."—Jim Binney

2. The _____ of Communication

A. Committed communication is _____

COLOSSIANS 3:15

15 And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.

QUOTE: "It's not enough to merely see the good; a mate needs to hear your appreciation of it. I learned that four compliments are required to offset one criticism and maintain a balance of self-worth in a person."—Jim Binney

B. Committed communication is _____

EPHESIANS 4:15

15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

C. Committed communication is _____

EPHESIANS 4:29

29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth.

PROVERBS 18:21

21 Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

D. Committed communication is _____

EPHESIANS 4:29

29 But that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.