

Don't Throw OUT THE PRECIOUS, With The Relational Bathwater

SIMPLE FRIENDSHIP IS PRECIOUS!

It Never Ceases To Baffle Me, That In A Simple Friendship Between A Christian Single Man, And A Christian Single Woman; that Together, They Can Build Something "GOOD" Something Pleasant Socially; and Then, Back Up on it, and Totally Destroy ALL The Friendship?

But There Is A Fine Line, That So Many Christian Singles Trip Over.

Look At This Line' Closely, With Me:

Most Singles, Whether Christian Or Not; When They Meet A Person Of The Opposite Sex; that, For One Reason Or Another, —Their Attracted Or Just Drawn Toward,— Will First Think In Terms Of "**Romance!**"

That Is A Totally **GOD** Given And Natural Sensation, Between The Opposite Sexes. It's Just NATURE!

But, First Both Of The Two, Have To Over-Ride Chemistry Within Themselves, And Think And Act Realistically; In Any Interaction, From That Magical Moment On.

IF One Of The Two Can't Be Simplistic About THE OTHER They Just Met, Or Have Only Known Briefly; They Will Probably Stumble Ahead and Trip Over Into The 2nd Line.

Most Often, The First Attraction Is Simply The Threshold Of A Brother/Sister Acknowledgement Between The Two.

WE Sense Something WITHIN Us? We Have The Same Spirit. A Feeling Of Being Out Of The Same "Holy Spirit WOMB." A Brother/Sister!

SINCE We Each Are Born Again By The Holy Spirit, We Are Spiritually Brother And Sister. Not Yet A Friend.

IF, You Both Can Get That Clear In Your First Social Moments, Days, Or How-ever Soon, Each Can Arrive At That

First Step.

You Can Walk In Step, As Brother And Sister, Spiritually. Already, You Two Begin To Share The Same Spirit With Each Other. And What's Incredible On That Basic Step, Is That **Christ Is Manifested** In Between Where 2 Or More Are Gathered. (Understand Now, This Is Nowhere Near Soul or Body Level).

If You Take This First Step Together, Don't Ever Assume, That You Both Will Be Interested In Taking Another Step Together. That First Threshold, May Not Lead To Another Open Door.

IF, And That's Another Important Decision Between The Two, That Has To Be Simultaneously Made.

IF You Desire To Step Together Over The 2nd Threshold, Through The Next Open Door.

2nd STEP

You Are At A Place That You Can Begin To SEE The Other's Soul And Personality. WHO IS THIS PERSON That I'm Interested In?

Here, The Spiritual Fellowship Of The Two Can Begin To Grow Toward Social Friendship.

I Like Your Personality, Your Humor, Your Wit, Your Way Of Seeing People and Things. I Like Your Attitude On Life, Your Esteem For Yourself, Your Respect For Others.

Even, ...I Like Who You Like, I Like Your Capacity To Communicate Well, I Like Your Appreciation For Your Family. Your Gracious Heart Of Compassion For Others. Your Peacefulness

And Quietness.

And I Find Peace In Being With You. I

Find Joy In Your Presence.

I Feel Like I'm Growing Personally, When I'm Around, Or With You.

NOW, This Is Not Just A Feeling. People Around You Are Able To See **The SOUL COMPADIBILITY**. Wow! You Two Are Great For Each Other!

You Seem To Level Each Other Out.

People Are Just Delighted To See You Two Together.

But, On This Level, On STEP TWO, Others Can Begin To Imagine All Kinds Of Outcomes.

WOW! Are You Two "Boyfriend/Girlfriend?" Is This A Romance? Are You Two An Item?

Other's Can Begin To Start Popping Off Questions Of Curiosity.

What Are Your Intentions? Surely You Want To Go On To... **The NEXT LEVEL? A THIRD LEVEL???**

This Can Be Very Annoying To A **GOOD HEALTHY FRIENDSHIP!** It Can Even Discourage The Preciousness Of The Friendship You Currently Have Between The Two Of You.

Right Here Is The Tripping Line. If You Get Ahead Of Your 'Friend' And **Into A Different Relational Mindset Level Than** Him Or Her, The Other May React, Back Up, And AWAY. NOW YOUR ALL WASHED UP! Now One Throws **THE PRECIOUS Friendship OUT**. **But Why Everything Precious That Was Built As Acceptable to both?**

