

Imagine – Relational Health

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A. Imagine something better

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it. *(1 Thes 5:23-24)*

B. Five questions to assess our part of the relationship

1. Do we really love the other person?

“Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?” Jesus replied: “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ *(Matt 22:36-40)*

“You have heard that it was said, ‘Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your Father in heaven. *(Matt 5:43-45)*

2. Are we humble?

“Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for “God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” *(1 Peter 5:5)*

3. Do we accept people who are different than us?

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. *(Eph 4:3)*

4. Are we forgiving?

For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins. *(Matt 6:14-15)*

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (*Rom 5:8*)

“And above all things have fervent love for one another, for ‘love will cover a multitude of sins.’” (*1 Peter 4:8*)

5. Are we trustworthy?

Let your ‘Yes’ mean ‘Yes,’ and your ‘No’ mean ‘No.’ Anything more is from the evil one. (*Matt 5:37*)

C. Begin with ourselves, hope for a response

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds (*Heb 10:24*)