

# Love Song

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Relationships are a PRIORITY to God!  
God values how your relationships are top and foremost!  
Matthew 5:23-24  
God is saying to go and make our relationships right!

Romans 12:18  
“Live at peace with everyone” !!  
It doesn't matter how people are treating you- YOUR RESPONSE is what God is concerned!

Our body language also affects relationships!  
The way you act, the things you do, the things you say can be a positive thing  
OR it can create conflict !

The skirmish is not the real battle!  
The devil is trying to start a skirmish to prevent us from fighting the real issues and battles in relationships!  
Every marriage and relationship is the battle between two kingdoms !  
The battle between the kingdom of God and the kingdom of self!  
The kingdom of God is in you as a believer - it's righteousness, its peace, it's joy!  
It's obeying God, doing the will of God on earth as it is in heaven!  
This is a decision we make on a daily basis!!  
When you operate in the Kingdom of God mindset - your responses are unnatural and unexpected. The kingdom of self is all about you! Whenever there's a conflict, it takes two. You should apologize whether you thought you were the reason or not. The result of kingdom of self always leads to death.  
Death of relationships

In relationship, when two people operate out of the kingdom of self, the result is always conflict! What you're sowing you're reaping! When a person starts operating in the Kingdom of God, relationships change!  
You walk away from healing because of unforgiveness , walk away from unanswered prayers ! You're hindering your prayer life if you don't treat your spouse right! If you're operating in the kingdom of self.  
We need to make the decision to function in the kingdom of God !

My allegiance is in the kingdom of God because

- 1 My reverence and fear is in God (keep a short account with God! He is forgiving!) This causes us to treat our relationships with top priority!

2 He has revealed His incredible intimate intense love for us! There is nothing we can do to deserve it! When we realize how much God loves us we can treat others how God loves us! This is a command of Jesus! To love others as He has loved us.

God loved us before we even cared about him! We can't judge and condemn people if they don't know Christ ! Don't judge by christian standards, pray for them!!

“Every relationship is a workroom for God's grace, not a container for your happiness”

When two people operate out of the kingdom of God, there is no limit to what God can do!

Matthew 18:23-35

If we carry unforgiveness and offense, we prohibit God from working in our lives! The word of God says we don't have a right to carry offense! To be forgiving one to another!

Matthew 6:14

Forgiveness is not a feeling- it's a decision!!!

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 ;what real love looks like!

The kingdom of self is going to always feel good to your flesh. But it will never be satisfied.

The kingdom of God results in righteousness, peace, and joy! It will feel like it's going against your flesh, but will always result in fulfillment!