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Fixing A Marriage

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The Lord woke me up this Saturday morning. Early: like before the coffee even started brewing. Thoughts came flooding into my head and heart that I could not let go. Any other Saturday when I wake up early, I have no trouble going back to sleep (I have 5 little alarm clocks that do a number on my Saturday morning rest). But not today. I wanted to tell the whole world what had finally started making sense to me. What I should have gotten long ago. What I wish I had learned a long time ago. And it is simple.

We MUST "love the Lord [our] God with all [our] heart, and with all [our] soul, and with all [our] mind, and with all [our] strength" (Mark 12:30). That is the FIRST commandment! The FIRST! "And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these" (Mark 12:31). I think I have been getting the "Love the Lord your God" part all along. It was the "with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength" where I have been falling short. I was so busy trying to love my husband, and love my children, and love my family, and I put that above the most important thing of all. Love the Lord your God. First! Seek ye FIRST!

We have been married for 14 years. Good times and bad times. We have often been going through the cycle of life – the highs and lows. And I couldn't understand why our marriage wasn't better than it was. I was working SO hard to love my husband: to show him I love him. I thought it was in my control – our love. I was putting the pressure on Luke to "fill my cup" of joy and happiness. I was looking in the wrong place. That is not his responsibility. And the pressure I was putting on him was causing stress. I, who thought I was the "only one working on our marriage," was causing a lot of stress. The source of our peace, and joy, and righteousness, is God. He is the One who created us – our wonderfully made bodies, and this magnificent earth on which we live, and the entire overwhelming-to-even-think-about universe. THAT is who fills our cups. How incredible is that?!?

When we love our Heavenly Father first, everything else falls into place. When we love Him first, we become much more beautiful and loveable to our spouse. Someone told me several months ago that if my relationship with God was not right, then no other relationship I had would be good. Unless we put God FIRST, all our relationships will have troubles. Marriages, families, and friendships are never just right unless our relationship with God is right. The Bible says, "Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you" (James 4:8). When this happens, that feeling of emptiness and loneliness fades away! The closer we get to God, the less we need from other people. It's amazing!

I have been thinking about what I was told: How my relationship with God needed to be right before my marriage would be better. So I have been learning to lean on God for my needs. And it feels like a huge weight has been lifted. I no longer have the responsibility to make my marriage perfect. I am not working near as hard on that – and yet my marriage is getting better and better! It is easier to love, easier to give, easier to forgive. And the funny thing is, as soon as I started relying on God for my joy and peace and happiness, and not on my husband, our marriage started getting better. Our relationship is becoming stronger and more beautiful. A marriage should be a reflection of God's great love. And that is what we are working towards. It is a work in progress, but such a sweet task.

Yours Will Be ~ The Only Name
[Big Daddy Weave]
Yours will be the only Name
that matters to me;
The only One Whose favor I seek;
The only Name that matters to me.

Yours will be
The friendship and affection I need,
To feel my Father smiling on me,
The only Name that matters to me.

Yours is the Name, the Name
that has saved me;
Mercy and grace, the power
that forgave me.
And Your love is all I've ever needed.

"But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law, which Moses the servant of the Lord charged you, to love the Lord your God, and to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and to cleave unto him, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul" (Joshua 22:5).

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