Today's Theme "Facing Relational Difficulties"

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Wisdom Handling Relational Stuff

RD&P = Relational Difficulties & Problems

1. Don't Allow _____ To Be _____ Response.

(1) Blame makes RD&P _____ to _____.

Ecclesiastes 1:8 All things are wearisome, more than one can say. The eye never has enough of seeing,

nor the ear its fill of hearing. 9 What has been will be again, what has been done will be done again: there is nothing new under the sun.

(2) Blame focuses on a _____ not the _____. Matt 7:3 "Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? 4 How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? 5 You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.

(3) When we _____ blaming we can _____ changing. Genesis 3:11 And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?" 12 The man said, "The woman you put here with me-she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it." 13 Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

2. ____ & ____ While Facing RD&P.

(1) How we *respond* to conflict matters greatly.

Romans 5:3 Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; 4 perseverance, character; and character, hope.

(2) _____ our response to RD. 2 Cor 1:3 Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, 4 who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.

(3) We need to see conflict as an

Col 4:6 Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

3. Attempt To Always _____ With _____ Issues.

(1) Live with a continual _____ to ____ with RD&P. Eph 4:26 "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry.

(2) Cherish the power of investing, _____ & ____ Prov 18:13 To answer before listening that is folly and

shame.

Luke 10:39 She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said.

(3) Excel in the _____ department w/RD&P.

1 Thess 5:14 And we urge you, brothers and sisters. warn those who are idle and disruptive, encourage the disheartened, help the weak, be patient with everyone. 15 Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always strive to do what is good for each other and for everyone else.

Eph 4:32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.