

THIS IS LESSON ONE OF CONNECT-TALKSM

Don't give up. Jesus has a plan. He connects with you, now you reach out to Him. He will give you His model of how to connect with your beloved and teach you personally. Without building on lesson One, you will be hampered in moving forward, much like a lonely emotional cripple.

HERE'S HOW TO CONNECT-WALKSM BUILDING BLOCK ONE

Listen to this:

I am the (only) Way....

Checkpoint listen:

What does this mean to me today? What else am I trying to fill my needs - outside of Jesus? Does He really mean what He says? What does this mean, "to connect to Him"? Can I really trust it can happen? (Lk. 11:9)

Re-listen again now with your heart:

This is meant for me now. List three ways I am using other ways to fill my needs and ignoring Jesus as being the Only way. How have I avoided Him today? How do I avoid Jesus and ignore connecting with Him? Say it out loud to the Cross.

Think it/Feel it:

I am so lonely. Things aren't working out being so detached from Jesus and others. Feeling okay just by myself doesn't last... doesn't satisfy. I've got to do something ... I'll make a change!

NOW RESPOND TO WHAT YOU'VE HEARD, THOUGHT & FELT

How to Connect-WalkSM with Jesus:

Pick up your New Testament Bible. Pray-Talk to Jesus. Image Him and tell Him out loud. Your ear must hear what your heart desires. LOUDER. "Jesus my Brother, Speak to the ear of my heart! Holy Spirit help me connect to my Jesus. Jesus, understand me. I want to talk to You, that I might walk with You, now!" Then say the Lord's Prayer slowly out loud and then: "Heavenly Father...I need the gift of ears to heart-listen to my Brother Jesus, Your Son. I thank You for helping me in advance." Now repeat this all out loud with all the intensity of your heart ...until you feel it.

Next open up your New Testament, anywhere, without searching. Let Jesus give it to you. It will be His message. Don't read more than one line. Put your name in it, your life in it, your situation in it. Tell yourself. Jesus is Connect-TalkingSM to me. (He does, because He lives, knows you intimately, hears you and is speaking through the Holy Spirit.)

Write it out, chapter, verse, date it. What does Jesus say to you this day and how does the Holy Spirit inspire you to act on it. Say It & Do It!

Practice this Connect-TalkingSM with Jesus once each day even as you move forward into the other Connect-TalkSM Lessons ahead.

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We are established for the healing of relationships. We focus on marriage, parenting & families, and in so doing seek to invite "Connect-TalkSM" dialog between all. It is "Hearing with Your Heart" that will re-humanize secular society, and in so doing connect each "one on one" with ourselves and into a vibrant love-connection with Jesus, the Christ, whether seen or unseen, as He is the only one Who truly reflects and embodies "the Way, the Truth, and the Life". This is the essence of being in true Healthy Adult Mode, a standard that only has reality by an objective and absolute definition.

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JESUS' MODEL & YOUR TURN TO TRY CONNECT-TALKSM

A *glorious* marriage...are you willing to go that far? Anything less however doesn't satisfy. *Marriage*...God made it to be exactly that, *glorious!* Really? Simple, God made it to reflect His glory. What is that? It's the love between your Father in Heaven, His Son, Jesus, and the "Connection" between them, the ever glorious Holy Spirit. In fact the spirit of This Connection is so glorious and so divine, we call it HOLY and equal to God Himself. In fact, it is the 3rd Person of the Holy Trinity, God's own Spirit.

How is this connected to my and your marriages? Simple. It's God's own Model. The love between you and your spouse is meant to be nothing but glorious. This love is to have its own personhood so to speak. That means there is no room for mediocre or for Mr./Ms. Inbetween! To fulfill your needs and that of your spouse takes a glorious accomplishment, and when it begins to happen it looks and feels glorious...something you know you could have never done by yourself. It in fact witnesses GOD. How about that! Be proud of the fact that you have start-ed your journey to Connect and turn failure into GLORY!

Praised be Jesus, waiting to be your Lord and leader into the narrow way of **Connect-TalkSM/Connect-WalkSM!**