

Law Based Relating

Relating means to have interaction between identities or persons. We learn to relate primarily through experience with our family of origin. The way we relate determines how we see ourselves and others.

Description

Interactions between individuals are prescribed and determined by the law. The one who defines and controls the law controls the relationship.

Cultural Symptoms

- Legalism: adhering to law even at the expense of another person.
- Judgmental: black and white thinking.
- Critical spirit: preoccupied with failure and shortcomings.
- Argumental: reliance on research, logic, reason; subject to confirmation bias.
- Fear: of failure, of man's opinion, of punishment

Personal Conditions

- Slavery Mentality (compelled by a greater force or will)
- Perfectionism (phantom standards)
- Pessimism (inability to measure up)
- Dissatisfaction (obsessed by the lack gap)
- Isolation (schisms, sects, cults, hermitage)
- Relational Pretense (codependence, abusive relationships, victim/villain roles)
- Resentment (bitterness, rebellion, sin)

Solution

Return to the covenant of love. Gal 3:17-19; Rom 7:7-11; Matt 5:17; 1 John 4:18; Rom 8:15; Gal 5:1

Prayer Strategy

- Conviction – Law-Based Paradigm
- Pray for the source or root.
- Spiritual transactions
 - Forgiven, forgive, generational curses, religious spirit, etc.
- Confess the belief and ask the Lord for truth.
- Confirm truth (adopted, chosen, mercy, grace, loved, acceptable, received).
- Actions or steps of obedience
 - Live in freedom, practice gratitude, generous grace toward self and others