

A Marriage Minute™

A simple help to make your marriage just a little better this week.

Love Rejoices With Truth



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Isn't it interesting how Paul doesn't contrast evil with good in this passage, but instead he contrasts it with truth. On the one hand you have evil, and on the other, you have not good, but truth! That's because truth is good! "But the truth of my situation isn't so

good," you might say. I hear you. But let's first understand that no matter what your situation looks like, you're only seeing part of it. The truth of it goes beyond what you see. Truth has a Name. It's Jesus! He said, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life" (John 14:6) Jesus is the truth of your situation. And to the extent that your situation is in His hands it's good, regardless of what you see! Please don't be one of those weird, normal people (talk about an oxymoron!) who are limited by physical reality. The Truth is that no matter what you see Jesus really is able to bring it to a good report. He really is able to do the impossible, to take our mess, and do something beautiful with it -if we'll only let him. That's why no matter where we are, we can rejoice with the Truth, -with Jesus! Love stays focused, not on our situation but on Jesus. He is the one who is able to do what we can't, who can provide what we need, who can lift us up when we're down, who can give us the love we need for each other -a love we just don't have in the natural. The truth is that **we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us.** Rejoice!!

Questions for Dialogue: What is the truth of our marriage? What has God promised us that He will do if we will let Him?

Prayer for both of us: Lord helps us to not focus on the problems in our marriage but on the Truth of your promises. Help us to rejoice in that truth as we see it come to pass.

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