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Let's say **THANKS** and bring **JOY** by showing bringing **GENTLENESS** and **HUMILITY** to our most precious relationships.

LOVE and MARRIAGE

It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

1 Corinthians 13:7 page 798

Marriage Stress Danger Signs

Retreating from one another.

Being irritable with everyone and everything.

Barking at one another over small incidents.

More arguments with each other.

Relationship seems fine one moment and then there you are fighting the next.

Can we put aside our egos and see that it's more important to make our loved one feel valued and loved rather than dominating over them?

SCRIPTURES

Philippians 2:1,2 page 815

... make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose.

Filled with:

encouragement in Christ
united with Christ
comfort from His love
tenderness and compassion (from Christ)

Give to:

like-minded
same love
ONE in spirit and purpose

Philippians 2: 5-7 page 815

Humility

be like Jesus
did not grasp (clutch) equality
made Himself a servant

HUMILITY/GENTLENESS

Ephesians 5:21;25-27 page 813

Divine Principle:

Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ

submit: Hypotasso

to arrange under, to subordinate to subject

Human action with Divine results

gave himself up – makes her holy
cleanses her – power of the Word
presents as – radiant, without stain-wrinkles-blemish,
holy and blameless

A good marriage is the union of two good forgivers -- Ruth Graham